

About the Social Investment Agency

Our purpose is to strengthen the use of data, analytics and insights in social sector decision making to improve New Zealanders' wellbeing.

The Social Investment Agency (SIA) was established on 1 July 2017 as a Departmental Agency hosted within the State Services Commission.

We work with the social sector to create insights, tools and practices that are scalable, reusable, and of most use to the social sector. Our views are not tied to any single agency or part of the social system. By working together, we can understand and do more of what works for better lives.

Our functions

- Developing the architecture to assist agencies (and others) to apply social investment.
- Providing advice on investment priorities for government and monitor selected investments over time.
- Trialling and testing new approaches for targeted populations.
- Assessing progress and maturity of social investment and its practice across the social sector.

Our mandate

While agencies will have responsibility for implementing social investment, the SIA's mandate includes:

- Building architecture to support agencies to apply social investment
- Developing whole-of-system advice
- Trialling and testing new approaches.

Leadership and governance

Our Acting Chief Executive Dorothy Adams reports to the Minister for Social Development - [Hon Carmel Sepuloni](#) – who determines our work programme.

Cabinet papers relating to Social Investment Agency (SIA)

- [Cabinet Paper: Towards investing for Social Wellbeing April 2018 \[PDF, 158 KB\]](#)

Annual Report 2018

- [SIA Annual Report 2018 \(Extract from State Services Commission Annual Report 2018\) \[PDF, 248 KB\]](#)
- [State Services Commission Annual Report 2018 \(Full document\) \[PDF, 2 MB\]](#)