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**CENTRE FOR HOUSING RESEARCH, AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND  
HOUSING RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

I am writing to provide you with an update on CHRANZ's housing research activities.

**CHRANZ ANNUAL REPORT**

Please find enclosed a copy of CHRANZ's Annual Report 2008/09.

**CHRANZ COMMISSIONED RESEARCH**

CHRANZ has recently released the following research:

**Older People's Housing Futures in 2050: Three Scenarios for an Ageing Society** (CRESA and Public Policy & Research with Motu Economic Public Policy and Research, October 2009) This research investigates the patterns of housing futures likely to be evident among people 65 years and older between 2010 and 2050. It is directed to improving New Zealand's ability to plan for and respond to the changing housing demands of older people over the next forty years.

**CHRANZ HOUSING WORKSHOP PAPERS**

The following papers from the CHRANZ Housing Workshop, Housing in an Ageing Society, held on 9 November 2009, are available on the CHRANZ website under "Links".

- **Older People's Housing Futures in 2050: Three Scenarios for an Ageing Society** Kay Saville-Smith – CRESA and Dr Bev James – Public Policy & Research
- **Dwelling, Land and Neighbourhood Use by Older Home Owners** Joanne Quinn, Research Associate City Futures Research Centre – The University of NSW, Sydney
- **The Costs and Benefits of Using Private Housing as the 'Home Base' for Care for Older People** Dr Catherine Bridge, Assoc/Prof Centre for Health Assets Australasia – The University of NSW, Sydney
- **Improving our Existing Homes - Retrofitting New Zealand's Housing Stock** Lois Easton – Beacon Pathway's HomeSmart Renovation Project
- **Heat Pumps in New Zealand Homes** Lisa French – BRANZ Group
- **Older Peoples House Performance and their Repairs and Maintenance Practices – Barriers to Ageing in Place** Kay-Saville Smith – CRESA

**NEW RESEARCHER DEVELOPMENT GRANTS**

CHRANZ is offering four research grants of \$3000 each to support postgraduate students develop their research skills and interests in housing. The grants will be awarded to encourage research that is consistent with the Centre's research investment priorities. Details and application forms are available from the CHRANZ website.

Details of CHRANZ's housing research investments and free copies of published research reports can be located at [www.chranz.co.nz](http://www.chranz.co.nz). For further information please contact Terrence Aschoff on 04 439 3326 or [terrence.aschoff@chranz.co.nz](mailto:terrence.aschoff@chranz.co.nz).

I wish you a restful Christmas and a happy new year.

Yours sincerely



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