

Photovoice is a methodology that belongs in a range of community research disciplines. It is most positively used in Community Action (also known as Community Based Participatory Research) and involves positioning community members as research partners to a shared field of interest.

It can be used in almost any form of research and is an accessible methodology that gives power to a community voice. Photovoice can help people understand what influences particular events in a community, and what we can do to remove the challenges or barriers to living positively. Participants of Photovoice are asked to represent their communities or express their points of view by photographing scenes that highlight research themes.

Common research themes include community concerns, community assets, or health issues. These photographs are then interpreted, and narratives developed that explain how the photos highlight a particular research theme.

As a form of community consultation, Photovoice attempts to bring communities into the policy-making process by utilising a powerful and accessible platform to engage various stakeholders (like local government, marae, and rangatahi).


Photovoice is a proven research methodology that is easy to implement and accessible, anyone can do it and the results are always interesting. All the information you need to give it a go is available in the links

This is a cool website that helps share ideas and innovations that are valuable for community action. For an overview on Photovoice, and some additional links to other information:

[Link 1](#)

This video gives a practical guide to the principles of Photovoice and explores the types of engagement you can get using Photovoice:

[Link 2](#)



Photovoice:
A powerful
Public Health
tool