**Media release**

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**Kiwi tech company secures $775,000 in local venture capital funding.**

Fast-growing tech company GetHomeSafe is proud to announce it has secured $775,000 in venture capital funding to accelerate the global sales of its employee-welfare monitoring solution.

The Dunedin-based company raised the capital from New Zealand investors, with the majority ($500,000) coming from New Zealand’s leading venture capital firm, Punakaiki Fund.

Get Home Safe is a software-as-a-service (Saas) platform designed to improve welfare monitoring for remote or lone employees. The original app was conceived in 2012 when founder and CEO Boyd Peacock was living in Queenstown and considered the ability of smartphones to revolutionise personal safety for workers in wilderness settings. He quickly saw the potential to extend the service to other sectors employing workers in solo or lone roles.

The company now provides support to over 10,000 people across over nearly 250 customers, mainly in New Zealand and increasingly in Australia, as well as USA and Canada. Its clients include local government entities, health and social care operators, security firms, utilities and many more.

“We’re thrilled with the investment,” says Peacock. “It’s allowing us to accelerate our expansion, launch some exciting new products and increase integrations with clients and partners. We have been doubling or near doubling our revenue in each of the last three years, and are constantly onboarding new partners, clients, and end users.”

Punakaiki Fund investment manager Nadine Hill says the company is a welcome addition to the portfolio. “Boyd is the sort of founder that Punakaiki loves to work with: quiet, hardworking and focused and with strong values and a good way with people. We back companies with global potential – and Get Home Safe has already has overseas customers and that will only grow.”

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**About Get Home Safe**

Get Home Safe Limited is a Dunedin technology company, specialising in health and safety software as a service. We provide both off the shelf and bespoke ‘lone worker’ solutions for a wide range of clients across the world.

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**About Punakaiki Fund Limited**

Punakaiki Fund is a venture capital investor making long term investments into high growth revenue generating New Zealand technology companies. It has assets of $67 million, over 925 investors and a portfolio of 15 companies generating combined revenue of over $150 million.

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