2023 Annual Report







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- earlier this year appointed The Right Honourable Dame Cindy Kiro, GNZM, QSO, Governor-General of New Zealand as Patron for our work, building philanthropy across Aotearoa- New Zealand.

As Patron, Dame Cindy will act as a high-level ambassador, lending her credibility and time to support our change-making work growing funding and community impact across Aotearoa NZ.

Dame Cindy is a distinguished researcher and held leadership roles at Massey University, Victoria University Wellington/Te Herenga Waka and the University of Auckland. Her public sector roles have included Children's Commissioner (the first woman and first Māori to be appointed to the role) membership of the Ministerial Cross-Sector Forum for the Ministry of Education, and Chair of the Welfare Expert Advisory Group.

Dame Cindy has had extensive experience in the public health sector, including a role as General Manager Funding and Services Planning and Māori Health for the Auckland District Health Board. Prior to taking up her role as Governor-General, Dame Cindy was Chief Executive of the Royal Society Te Apārangi. From left: Alice Ropata - Official Secretary , Joe Harawira Kaumatua and Dame Cindy Kiro

Dame Cindy is the first Māori woman to be appointed as Governor-General and is a champion for social justice, equity and public health. Her guiding principles of kaitiakitanga, oranga and manaakitanga align closely with those of Community Foundations.

CFNZ Board Chair, Raymond Key, says he is delighted with the news.

"As a young network we are truly honoured to have Dame Cindy recognize our growing transformational work and agree to be our Patron over her term as Governor-General. We extend to Dame Cindy a very warm welcome to our Community Foundations' whanau and we look forward to forging a meaningful relationship, together growing funding and impact for the benefit of Aotearoa New Zealand."

Executive Officer Rosemary Sloman was delighted to be invited to attend the reception at Government House supporting two of our donors, Jean Smithson and David Poole.



How far we have come

2012 ⊶-----

Meeting held with EBOP Mayors and Business leaders to consider expansion Eastern Bay wide. **First Endowment** Fund established

2014

Work undertaken across the Bay to establish new Trustees Miles Mander, Douglas Bull, Robyn Towersey, Jacqui Hughes, Barney Gray and Grant Lowe joined Peter Anstis and **Ray Sharp Executive Officer** Sarah-Jane Hasman

2018 •---

Independent Vital Signs Research released to community Six treaty settlements in the Eastern Bay in 2018. Robyn Woolsey joins the Board. 6 new funds established

2020

Invitation to attend funders hui at Cape Runaway with Todd Foundation, JR McKenzie Trust, Tindall Foundation, Te Muka Rau Foundation. Covid Pandemic grips the world, Borders close. Trustees Helen Stewart & Barney Gray step down as Trustees. Hosted first annual dinner at Roquette with Greg Brownless (ex Mayor of Tauranga) as speaker. Viv Barr joins the Board. Hosted a fundraising evening with Chloe Wright Wright Family Foundation as speaker. appointment of Treasurer Christine Mansell. 8 new funds established.



2013 0

January 25th Request to ODC to amend Trust Deed to broaden the reach of the Opotiki Community Foundation

2005

Ōpōtiki Community Trust steering group established Trustees Peter Anstis, Bryan Gould, Barbara Collis, Ian Craig, **Ray Sharp**

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Actively engaging with **Ōpōtiki** Community Groups, Rotary etc Ōpōtiki A & P Show Promotion

2009

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Ōpōtiki Development Trust and Ōpōtiki Community Foundation Deeds signed. Seed funding provided through ODC for establishment to support social and economic well being for the Opotiki community. Gae (Newell) Finlay becomes secretary. 7 record keepers for Foundation.

2017

Rosemary Sloman employed as Executive Officer 12-15 hours per week. Edgecumbe stopbank breached, and the town experienced major flooding. 2 new funds established

°**2019**

Launched the Öpōtiki Kiwifruit Growers Community Endowment Fund. Established first strategic plan for Foundation. Whakaari-White Island Eruption: Disaster Fund Commenced. Trustee Robyn Towersey dies. 3 new funds established. Updated website launched.

2015 April 21st

Eastern Bay Community Foundation Launched @ Detour Bar & Lounge with Sir Stephen Tindall as guest speaker : Representatives of business, professional advisors, Energy Trusts, Chamber of Commerce, BayTrust and Local elected representatives. 2 new funds established

2016

Kay Boreham begins contract work as Executive Officer up to 12 hours a week, promotion stand at Business & Leisure Show, Invited speaker to Community Groups. KEA CEO Helen Stewart joins the Board.

2022

Established First Memorial Fund, Chair Douglas Bull steps down, Deputy Chair Scottie McLeod takes on leadership. Establishment trustee Jacqui Hughes steps down. 2 new funds established. High profile car raffle to raise awareness and funds for the foundation. Online donation platform installed.

2023

Completed first Trust Transfer, held first Charity Golf Tournament benefiting the EBOP RDA. Original Trustee Ray Sharp steps down after 15 years from the Board. Five donors including our first donor pass away. Arron Perriam and Kevin Egglinton - keynote speakers at the Annual Dinner. New Strategic Plan adopted. 5 new funds established

2021

Covid lockdowns & restrictions continue. Number of Trustees increased to twelve, representing the three Districts. Launched Ambassador Programme -Friends of the Foundation. Annual dinner held at Öhope Chartered Club with Retired Coroner Wallace Bain as speaker. Moved to permanent commercial premises in George Street Whakatāne. Whakaari Disaster funds granted to eight emergency responders. Registration for GST. Establishment trustees Miles Mander and Peter Anstis step down as Trustees. Peter Anstis

appointed as Patron. New trustees appointed: Annette Papuni-Mclellan, Paul Nicolson, Bradley Shaw, Jimmy Heal and Leisha Thompson. Operational support ; Lyndell Jones employed 6 hours per week. 6 new funds established. Erected signage on all state highways in the district. Impact 100 Fund launched. Milestone of first \$M in funds under management.

Chairperson's Report 2022-2023

It is a pleasure to present this annual report and my first report of the Foundations activities in the Eastern Bay of Plenty.

The year has been successful in many ways despite our investments performing below our long-term expectations. Post Covid depression and the worldwide financial situation are now impacting globally. Overall, the funds of the Foundation have grown due to the work and effort of the Foundation staff and trustees.

The strategic vision of the Foundation for the next three years is a vital piece of work, undertaken by the whole team in late 2022, under the guidance of Arron Perriam CEO of CFNZ, to better understand, how the landscape has changed in a post covid financial and social climate. The strategic direction of the board now includes clear strategy for the growth in funds, through donor engagement, leading to better resourcing of community, a defined marketing plan, with strong brand recognition, and a streamlined succession of both staff and trustees.

The Trustees have worked well together as a team, for which I am very grateful. We have had one resignation from the board during the year, due to work pressures.

It is timely to acknowledge two term trustee, and community leader Jacqui Hughes, who retired at last year's annual meeting, and passed away suddenly in early September. Jacqui worked tirelessly for the Foundation during her 8-year term, alongside all her other community commitments. She will be missed and fondly remembered.

The annual dinner for donors, friends and ambassadors of the Foundation, was held, again in Ohope, with guest speakers, Aaron Perriam of CFNZ and Kelvin Eglinton, the CEO of Momentum Waikato, (Community Foundation) inspiring all present with what is possible with collaboration and partnerships.

The newly named Eastern Bay Women's Impact fund driven by trustees Viv Barr and Robyn Woolsey, is now in its second year as a pass-through fund, focusing on making an impactful difference to the lives of women and children in our region. This fund remains open to contributors now.

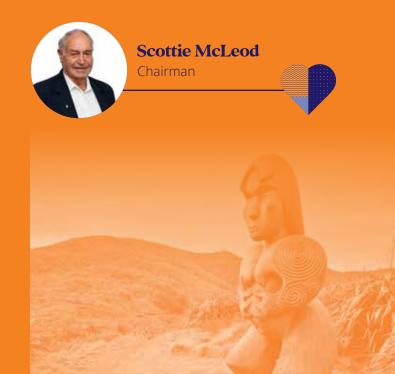
The Foundation is extremely fortunate to have great staff members who get on and do the work required. Executive Officer, Rosemary Sloman's knowledge and ability is noticeable as she gets around the community, organises and putting systems in place and ties up loose ends, to future proof the Foundation. We are grateful to Rosemary for the energy she brings to this role. Our part time Operational Team Support: Angela Jackson began working with the team in January and has slotted into the role seamlessly, making a real difference in the operational workload.

Looking back over the three years of my involvement, the Foundation has grown capability and systems to enable the strategic growth we have planned for. Having a well-staffed office with the latest filing and computer systems which are essential due to the need for transparency in processing donor funds and community finance.

Christine Mansell, the Foundation treasurer is also a real asset. She knows where every dollar is and spends many hours preparing accurate reporting on all financial aspects of our operations. Christine works ex officio in a voluntary capacity and will likely become a trustee to the Foundation in the 2023 financial year. Gae Finlay has been the minute secretary and archivist since the Community Foundation began in Opotiki (15 years), she has solid historical knowledge and keeps meetings tight procedurally.

Finally, my thanks go to the staff, trustees, and ambassadors of our Foundation. We are very fortunate to have such high calibre people who are generous with their time and are committed to making a difference in our communities through their work within the Foundation.

Grateful thanks also to the very generous donors in our community who have committed to building a resource, not just for today, but for generations to come, and who continue to support a broad cross section of causes and charities across the Eastern Bay.



Executive Officer's Report 2022-2023

Our Community Foundation works hard to build resilient, well-resourced connected communities across the Eastern Bay ...

You, me, we, us; together we make a community.

Welcome aboard on our journey to create the future we want to be a part of, in our communities of the Eastern Bay.

Twenty twenty two has again been a year of rebuilding relationships, with community groups and not-forprofits working hard to provide essential services to the people of our communities in the Eastern Bay.

Post pandemic chaos and changes in health systems, have once again turned the focus back to what we can do for ourselves. That's where a Community Foundation can work with generous donors to build resilience and provide some long-term solutions.

The year has again been challenging, and as I write this reflection of our activities, I look back on the impact of the endowment funds we have held for some years, severely affected by the changes in economic returns. It's always a tough call when a charity is relying on good investment returns to provide the abundance needed to honour the wishes of our donors. However, I am buoyed by the long-term outlook and know that the structure of our Foundation is safe and able to provide for the future of the charities and causes our donors have nominated.

Awarding the Impact 100 Funding to a very special Maternal Mental Health project being co-ordinated by Plunket, to reach women and families in rural areas of the Eastern Bay is certainly achieving everything it set out to do: providing a point and place of connection, education and reduction in isolation for these new mothers and their children.

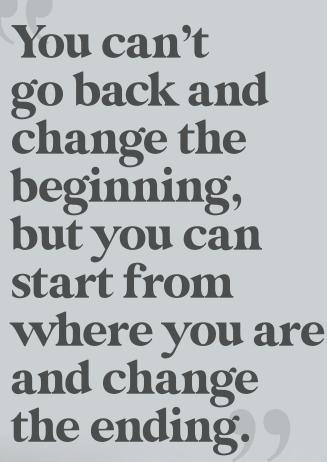
Our Foundation also established two memorial funds in 2022, honouring two very different, but well known people in our community: Rod McPherson, a larger than life farmer, who championed young farm cadets and worked with them to know and understand the challenges and joys to be found in a rural environment, and Jacqui Hughes, a champion of children, education, the arts and the environment. Both funds will clearly honour these people well into the future and their work and lifetime commitment will not be forgotten. In my role, I get to meet and talk with generous people who are considering how they can give back to the place that has nurtured them and their children. It's exciting to see the optimism that exists and a real desire to make a difference and leave a sustainable and growing legacy.

I am extremely grateful to have the excellent assistance of Angela Jackson as my operational support, as we grow her value increases.





From left: Jean Smithson, David Poole and Rosemary Sloman



CS Lewis



Recently Tautoko Tāne - formerly known as Male Survivors BOP relaunched their 'brand' and charity to the Bay. In the room were representatives of government agencies, including MSD, ACC, NZ Police, Prisoners Aid and Rehabilitation, Probation Service, Acorn, Bay Trust, Victim Support, Local Iwi leaders and specialist agencies.... And us!

Statistically- one in six males under sixteen years of age will experience sexual violence in their lifetime. Because abuse occurs in relative secrecy, in a state of disconnection between people, reconnecting and building trust are often at the core of healing from violence and abuse. It was both humbling and confronting to be in the presence of courageous men who shared their stories.

This essential service, which is provided free, relies heavily on goodwill and philanthropy and is now able to be represented in the Eastern Bay, due to a passthrough grant from a very generous couple in our region, who have assisted with covering rent and lease costs for premises in Ōpōtiki & Kawerau, enabling purposeful peer support groups and counsellors to meet one on one with clients.

Tautoko Tāne provide advocacy and guidance to men and youth who have experienced physical, sexual, domestic, mental, and emotional harm. Peer support has proven to be a very powerful way for those in this space to develop authentic trust-based relationships supporting an onward journey towards wellbeing. Peer support is based on the belief that people who have faced, endured, and overcome adversity can offer useful support, encouragement and hope to others facing similar situations.

As communities change the perception about who can and cannot be a victim, more men and boys are finding the courage to seek support.

"Sometimes we just need someone to simply be there.... Not to fix anything or do anything, in particular, but just to feel supported and cared about."



In July 2022 the women who had invested in the 2021 Impact 100 fund came together to listen and consider the proposals for an impactful and life changing project that would benefit women and children in our region.



Four presenters told their stories, and each had been thoughtfully put together and well told. Whānau Awhina - Women's Refuge; looking to honour their founders in this region through a publication to be sold to provide a small fund for medical, optical and dental needs of clients, who cannot afford to cover basic needs.

The Clothing Project, supply clean, age and size appropriate clothing to children 0-16 across the whole EBOP, were looking to secure a more permanent operational base for their service in Edgecumbe as the former Anglican Church Hall they have used is being put up for sale.

Heart to Home, looking for increased support for Safe Women - Safe Children anti-violence programmes and the Mahi Kai children's food programme '- teaching self-reliance and resilience, foraging, preparing and cooking nutritious meals for 10-14 year olds. This is an intervention programme to decrease the popularity and recruitment of gangs.

Whānau Awhina Plunket- Maternal Mental Health Project- Connecting Mothers. The three goals of this project are to focus on

- Mauri Ora healthy babies and children
- Whānau Ora healthy confident families
- Wai Ora healthy environments and connected communities.

Eastern Bay Women's Impact Fund

The Whānau-Awhina Plunket based project presented for consideration by the donors, involves targeted support for high risk and new mums throughout the Eastern Bay, connecting and supporting these women through a difficult time. COVID restrictions, economic circumstances, rural and ethnic isolation have all contributed to the high levels of concern around maternal mental health in the region. This project aiming to inject some early intervention and provide much needed connection for these mums and their babies has won the approval of the donors and forged ahead, quickly establishing rural community meetups for new Mums and their pēpē.

In Ōpōtiki and Tāneatua groups are up and running. In Kawerau a weekly walking group of new mums has been established. Multi-birth groups are meeting in Whakatāne and earlier this year a group was established in Waimana. The funds enabled the lease of a suitable vehicle, car seats, toys and operational costs for a community services coordinator, as well as funding to reduce any barriers for attendance at group meetings.

Feedback shared by the project coordinator has highlighted many positive confidence building attributes of the group including the socialization of isolated mothers. Also uncovered have been some of the challenging situations the coordinator has had to deal with, from autistic children, post-natal care and immunisations, developmental delays in children, as well as grandchildren being raised by grandparents. There have also been a number of referrals made for clothing and food.

One of the many positive outcomes of the project has been the relocation of the Maternal Mental Health Unit (Te Whatu Ora) to the upstairs of the Plunket Rooms in James Street, making this very accessible for the 560 mothers identified as needing support. This will help with the sustainability of this project, and a 'normal' intervention for mothers who are struggling.

In conclusion- relationships take time, thought and care. Being active in targeting at risk communities has meant time has had to be invested in building relationships to allow for these social support groups to become sustainable.



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real impact



A 21 day Outward Bound Experience building skills and confidence in youths from Ōpōtiki College has now been awarded for 2 years.

- Dec 2021- Jayjay Harawira: JayJay found the experience life changing and came back with a completely different attitude. He gained in confidence as well.
- 2022- Zak Herrick: Zak has been appointed Deputy Head Boy in 2023. His Outward Bound experience enabled his confidence to apply for this leadership role.



NZ Sailing Trust

Sail Training onboard Steinlager 2 was a taste of wild weather for 24 Opotiki College Outdoor Education students onboard the vessel sailed by Sir Peter Blake in the 1989-90 Whitbread Round the World race. The students were praised by the NZ Sailing Trust crew for their participation, manners and attitude throughout the experience. They worked hard as a crew to sail the boat which involved helming, using winches and grinding. The students also prepared meals and cleaned the boat. The experience was all about teamwork, facing challenges and embracing new adventures/ experiences. The students have used this experience to gain credits in their learning and to look at risk management strategies, and interpersonal skills. Feedback from the students highlighted how Sir Peter Blakes life story impacted on them and how the values and principles he embodied have remained as a key part of the experience



Thank you to the growers for continuing to invest in the future of the Opotiki community where they live, work and play, to make this a safer, happier place to be.

Fostering science and understanding nature

The 'What's the Buzz' and 'Plants, Petals, Pollination' Modules through the House of Science were designed to create a learning kit for 5-13 year olds and have been used across the Eastern Bay in the following schools: Ōpōtiki Primary, Galatea, Tāneatua, Woodlands, Whakatāne Intermediate, Waiotahe Valley, Tarawera High, Nukuhou North, Matatā Public, Otakiri and Thornton school, as well as some Early Childhood Learning Centres. Feedback on the learning has centred on the quality of the resources, the amount of project materials supplied for student participation, and the understanding and explanation in the manuals to allow teaching the principles of pollination so much easier. The bumble bees and honey bee hives allowed the children to understand how important bees are to our food production.



Little Bears Play Equipment

Learning through play, has enabled an early childhood learning centre in Ōpōtiki to increase the dexterity and interaction of pre-schoolers, building their confidence and skills, and abilities to explore and assess risks within a complex environment. The 'little bears' are just loving their new indoor and outdoor play equipment, thanks to a grant from the OKFGCF.



Honouring those who continue to make a difference

Ka nui te tipu o te iwi ina whakatō rākau nga tāngata tahito i roto i tōna uriuri e kore rawa rātau e noho

> Verna MacDonnell also known as Sister Clothilda of the Brigidine Sisters.

Verna was a strong supporter of the people of Ōpōtiki, with a particular interest in the rich history of the district. Verna was fluent in Te Reo and Japanese, loved New Zealand poetry, was a musician and really appreciated the artistic gifts of

others. Verna was a member of the Kapa Haka party at the 1988 Brisbane Expo, performing daily on stage, and loving every minute of it.

She was the first donor to our Foundation in 2012 and since that time we have been humbled by her warmth, humour and generosity, from a woman who lived a very frugal life, her forethought to commit funds towards preserving the heritage and taonga of the Ōpōtiki District is a legacy that will live on through her endowment fund, already making a difference in Ōpōtiki.

Verna lived by the motto of the Brigidine sisters: *Fortiter et Suaviter* - With Strength and Gentleness, every day of her life.



Jacqui Hughes ONZM

Jacqui had been a consistent champion of children and the environment within our Eastern Bay communities, gifting her time, skills, and insights to make our place, a better place, to live, work and thrive. She retired last year in

August from active duty as a volunteer trustee of the Community Foundation after eight years, leading the Grants and Distributions panel, ensuring gifted funds were utilised as the donors requested.

Her extensive professional networks throughout the Eastern Bay enabled this to happen with ease. Jacqui was passionate about art and making art in all forms accessible to all. Jacqui was also instrumental in assisting many environmental protection groups to succeed in our region. Her legacy lives on in the 'Memorial Fund' set up by her friends and family to honour children's learning and the environment.



Don and Jill Murray

Don and Jill have lived and walked a life of faith, helping out and caring for others within New Zealand and overseas on Christian missions. They raised their family in remote rural farming settlements and learned to appreciate each other, their strengths,

and capabilities. From the South Waikato and King Country to the back blocks of Galatea and Ōpōtiki, Don and Jill have contributed to their communities wherever they have lived. Jill as a capable and competent nurse and Don volunteering his time with those struggling to run household finances. In Ōpōtiki, they were both active volunteers with the Rangimarie Housing Trust and when it came time to leave a gift to their community, they were in no doubt that this was something very close to their hearts. The need and provision of warm, dry and accessible housing to those on fixed incomes was something they both saw as a basic human right. Their legacy lives on with the Rangimarie Endowment Fund.



Dick Anstis- QSM Quite Some Man

Deep passions drove Dick Anstis' decision to set up an enduring legacy right here in the Eastern Bay. Dick, well known in Ōpōtiki and the Gisborne region, his personal passions focused very much on the sustainability of our

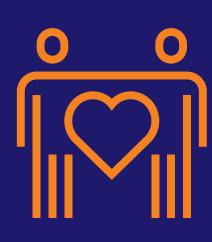
people and the planet. Dick served on the local District Council, held various positions within the church and was an active Justice of the Peace. He was a man deeply involved in the community and passed, just 25 days shy of his 100th birthday, in 2022.

Dick had made plans some time ago, to set up a fund to support various initiatives within his local community, including keeping kids healthy, youth development and connecting people to nature. Dick's fund, will focus on projects likely to have the greatest impact and drive meaningful outcomes for Ōpōtiki and the entire Eastern Bay of Plenty, initially funding his environmental wishes and paying tribute to his long service with the Water Catchment Board for Tairawhiti and Ōpōtiki Districts.

Rod McPherson

Turning a tragedy into something positive and enduring is how family, friends and rural connections of Rod McPherson have coped with the aftermath of his accident in rural Nukuhou in March 2022.

A Memorial Rural Scholarship Fund has been set up in his name and to honour the impact he had on young farming cadets over his forty years of farming in the Eastern Bay. Rod was a passionate farmer and had always championed those who sought on farm knowledge to learn as much as possible to foster animal welfare, care for the environment and improve production. Late in 2023 the first scholarship will be announced to honour this legacy, which will enable tertiary level study in agriculture, building a positive career in farming.





Championing our National Sponsors

Our Eastern Bay region has been well served by grants from **The Tindall Foundation**, not only supporting the growth and formation of our own Community Foundation, but also supporting many organisations doing amazing and essential work throughout the region. These grants are made annually through the Acorn Foundation, into our region.

Craigs Investment Partners Christmas Giving Initiative has for the third year made special grants to three organisations in the Eastern Bay- enabling KADAP - Kawerau and Districts Ageing in Place, to host a Christmas Dinner for seniors in the Kawerau Community. Victim Support - whose workload has trebled since the Whakaari eruption also received funds to assist in the recruitment, training and acknowledgement of their volunteers, and the Waiariki Whānau Mentoring Trust, also received a grant towards the operating costs associated with their night shelter/ drop-in centre on Landing Road.

Fonterra have been welcomed by Community Foundations NZ to work with local community foundations throughout Aotearoa. Locally Fonterra have hosted a golf tournament, that has benefitted one of our Scholarship funds and we have plans in place to connect further with shareholders and those in the rural space. connected to Fonterra.

From left: Angela Jackson, Lisa Payne - Fonterr Advisor -BOP-Waikato and Rosemary Sloman erra

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Our progress





Charities or Individuals received grants in 2022-23 year

Education Programme, Alzhiemers EBOP, Opotiki College Outdoor Education Students - NZ Sailing Trust, Look Good Feel Better, Heart 2 Home, Waiariki Ageing in Place, Little Bears Playgroup - Ōpōtiki, Outward Bound Scholarship- Zac Herrick.



heritage, honouring and growing children, supporting development in Arts, disability support.



Funds 'tagged' to benefit a specific group or charity



part time staff -200 hours worked





1400 Trustee and Ambassador Volunteer time (hours)



Car raffle, Professional Advisors Breakfast, Annual Dinner



OUR FOCUS

TEAM

- Team increased to 2.0 FTE by 2025
- Team resourced to suceed
- Team development activities

STORY

- 4 Story known by whole team & shared
- **S**trategy for marketing development
- Share our 'smarter way of giving' story



GROW

- **G**row through donor engagement
- Grow 6 new funds minimum per year
- Grow to \$3M invested funds by 2025



- **10** Secure multiple funding streams
- **11 S**ustain EBCF operations
- **12** Size of endowments \$20M in 20 years

Our team

Trustees and Management Team



Rosemary Sloman (Executive Officer), Scottie Mcleod (Chairman) Paul Nicolson, Bradley Shaw, Jimmy Heal, Ray Sharp, Robyn Woolsey, Angela Jackson

Front from left: Gae Finlay (Secretary-Archivist), Peter Anstis (Patron), Viv Barr, Grant Lowe, Christine Mansell (Treasurer)

Cameo's of Staff and Trustees and a little about their responsibilities

Peter Anstis Patron, Orchardist, Philanthropist - Ōpōtiki

Scottie McLeod Chair, Farmer, Rotarian, - Awakeri

Robyn Woolsey Deputy Chair/ Grants & Distributions – Orchardist, Adventurer, - Ōpōtiki / Ōhope

Ray Sharp Finance & Investment – Orchardist, Philanthropist, Adventurer, - Ōpōtiki

Bradley Shaw Marketing - Entrepreneur, Business, Volunteer-Whakatāne

Viv Barr Policy & Governance- Educator, Farmer, Adventurer -Awakeri

Paul Nicolson Finance & Investment , Rotarian - Ōhope

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Jimmy Heal Grants and Distributions / Marketing - Entrepreneur, Sports Coach – Awakeri

Christine Mansell Treasurer, Philanthropist, previous Pharmacist - Ōhiwa

Grant Lowe - Finance and Investments , Community, Business – Ōpōtiki

Leisha Thompson HR, Orchardist, Kutarere

Annette Papuni-McLellan

Policy & Governance – Community – Ōpōtiki / East Coast

TRUSTEES WHO STEPPED DOWN

2022-23

Douglas Bull QSM , Jacqui Hughes ONZM (RIP) Annette Papuni-McLellan

STAFF

Rosemary Sloman – Executive Officer – Whakatāne Gae Finlay – Minutes & Archives – Ōhope Angela Jackson- Operational Team Support – Whakatāne

Our Ambassadors

are a very important cog in the wheel of our Community Foundation

am·bas·sa·dor,

n. Official envoy, diplomatic agent, authorised representative, messenger.

What does it mean to be an ambassador?

An ambassador is a person who helps to promote the Eastern Bay Community Foundation during their normal daily activities. Being an ambassador means sharing information, and spreading the word about community philanthropy. It's a role that any Community Foundation volunteer can sign up for— Trustees, committee members, donors and people who care about our community. Their conversations greatly expand the foundation's reach, often enabling questions to be answered and enquiries to be referred to staff. Our ambassadors fill a vital role and we are very grateful for their time and energy.

Being an ambassador is a great way to be the connective tissue in our communities of the Eastern Bay.

Special thanks to our 2022-2023 Ambassadors:

lean Smithson Dot Wilson Shannon Harnett & Shane Clark **Chris Anstis** Wayne Stuart Lyn Reisterer & Kate Adams Doug Brown Janie Storey JP Wilson James JP **David Poole** Wendy Tozer JP Ngaire Lewis Ses Webster Doug Bull Stephanie Johnson-Bull Clare Barkla Miles Mander





"Naau to rourou, naaku te rourou ka ora ai te manuhi - with your basket and my basket, the people will thrive"

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