

The Sunrise Foundation Local Giving for Local Meeds

Cancer support care services to increase

Cancer Society Gisborne East Coast (CSGEC) will use the grant they received from Sunrise to increase supportive care services in the Tairawhiti region.

Their grant came from the Gavin McFarlane Endowment Fund. When Gavin's health deteriorated at the start of 2015 he thought hard about how he could give back to the community he loved. He chose to leave his estate to Sunrise and nominated our local Cancer Society and Hospice Tairawhiti as beneficiaries. The income from his fund will be granted to them in his name each year forever.

Philippa Meachen, CSGEC Centre Manager, says Gavin's generous bequest will have a very positive impact on client outcomes, as they intend to use it to increase the role of the Supportive Care Co-ordinator.

"Having this reliable source of income from Gavin's fund means we know we can rely on these extra funds every year and be confident in increasing our levels of care. This will make a significant difference to patients and whanau coping with cancer." CSGEC receives no government funding and is solely funded by way of grants and donations from our community. Pamela Murphy, CSGEC Chair, says funding limitations are difficult and make it hard to deliver the services they need to with cancer referral demand increasing. "We had 138 families referred to our centre in the first ten months of this financial year. Our cause is one which touches many, with most people having a close relative or friend that has been affected by cancer."

David Hall, CSGEC Vice Chair, says they are very grateful for the bequest from Gavin and hope others in our community will support them further with donations or bequests to the Cancer Society Gisborne East Coast Endowment Fund at Sunrise.

"Our small organisation is in a challenging position, constantly applying for grants and looking for new funding avenues. We believe our fund at Sunrise gives people an easy way to connect and support the work we do with donations and bequests."



David Hall, Lisa Spence, Pamela Murphy and Phillipa Meachen from our local Cancer Society with Glenda.

News in brief

Grant helps clients be 'debt free' Mangapapa Union Church Debt Centre provides debt counselling and budgeting courses to help people get out of unmanageable debt. They've had great success with five clients going 'debt free' since they received their grant.

Can you give up a cup of coffee a week?

A large group of donors are donating a total of \$1300 to Sunrise every month through workplace giving and automatic payments. Each donor is making a small contribution, many just \$5 (or a cup of coffee) a week, but together their contributions are significant. Giving a little bit often is easy and really does make a difference.

GisInt grows great (& generous) people

Students at GisInt made an awesome contribution to their school's future with a successful Mufti Day in Term 4 last year raising \$859 for their endowment fund. Awesome work kids!

Giddy on up

Riding for the Disabled provide riding therapy for 80 riders a week. Their riders need special saddles to help them to progress well and avoid back injuries. A grant from Sunrise helped them buy another well needed saddle.

The end is nigh

The end of the financial year is creeping up on us. Donate before 31 March 2018 and qualify for an immediate 33.3% tax benefit. You can donate by creditcard, internet banking or send in a cheque. See our website for more info.

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A few words from Glenda



This is the first year we have granted from Gavin McFarlane's endowment fund to his chosen charities Cancer Society Gisborne East Coast and Hospice Tairawhiti. I spent quite some time with Gavin before he passed away and I know he'd be delighted the income from his fund is being used to increase local support services for people with cancer.

As with Gavin, many people want their

donation or legacy to go to local causes, they want to recognise those that helped them and ensure better outcomes for people in our region. That's the best thing about Sunrise, we only grant to causes in the Gisborne District. All money donated by generous locals is guaranteed to stay local.

Cancer Society Gisborne East Coast and Hospice Tairawhiti are only two of the 26 special interest funds we now have at Sunrise. You can read more in this newsletter about two of our newest funds Gisborne Boys' High School and Waipaoa Station Farm Cadet Training Trust.

Our biggest fund is the Sunrise General Fund. It's from the General Fund that we do our annual granting. Because it is done by an application process, which is carefully considered by our Grants Committee, the General Fund will always be used to support the causes that are most needy at the time. It's important we grow the General Fund because we don't know what our community's needs will be in the future. We've all seen how much society has changed and how quickly it is still changing, the beauty of the General Fund is that it'll always be flexible to respond to those changes as and when they happen.

Our 2017 grants were distributed to 39 great local causes on 30 November. We're starting to hear back from recipients how their money was spent and there are some awesome outcomes. We're looking forward to hearing back from them all over the next six months, so we can let our donors know the good that their donations are doing for our community.

It's been a great first three years and I'm still flying high on the generosity of our local donors that have helped us to help so many in such a short time.

I hope you have a great Autumn.

Glenda Stokes EXECUTIVE OFFICER Leave a lasting legacy

What does the Sunrise Foundation do?

- We raise funds from donations and legacies
- We invest funds retaining the capital and generating income
- We use income from investments to provide for local charities or organisations

Helping the most needy

Our annual funding round offers local charities and organisations the opportunity to apply for grants from our General Fund.

Since we launched three years ago we have awarded 59 grants from the General Fund to worthy causes across the arts, community, education, environment, health and sports communities in the Gisborne District.

The stronger the General Fund the more we can support those with immediate needs – the most needy right now – whoever they may be and whenever their need arises. Whether that's this year, in 20 years, 100 years or more from now.

The General Fund will adapt to meet our communities needs as they change. It's hard to imagine what those needs will be in the future and they will change drastically over time. When you donate to the General Fund you are supporting those in need now and those in need in the future.

Our funding round only comes around once a year. Application information and dates will be on our website early June, applications will be open for six weeks in July – August. Let us know if you'd like us to email you when applications open, we can add you to our database.

Remember Sunrise only grants to causes in the Gisborne District.

All money raised here, stays here.



Pākirikiri Wānanga at Tokomaru Bay received a grant from the General Fund in our last funding round, which helped them train young people in their land conservation course. You can read about the other grant recipients on our website. Photos courtesy of Pākirikiri Wānanga.

New fund to help sustainable farming school at Waipaoa

The trustees established the Waipaoa Station Farm Cadet Training Trust (WSFCTT) Endowment Fund at the Sunrise Foundation to help build long term financial stability into the organisation.

Ken Shaw, WSFCTT Chair, says although they have been operating for ten years and are pleased with the progress they have made, a reliable ongoing source of revenue is their biggest challenge.

"We are lucky to have had the generous support of many individuals and organisations in the agricultural industry, which has helped us build Waipaoa into the success it now is. Even so we have to secure our sponsorship every year, and we know we can't rely on the same people and organisations to keep giving year on year."

Ken added that even though Waipaoa is growing the future leaders of red meat production, and beef and sheep as large export industries are crucial for New Zealand, they do not receive government funding.

Denver Palmer, WSFCTT Manager, says feedback from employers and industry representatives are that Waipaoa trainees display an in-depth knowledge of general farm practice, are work ready and have a reputation for being well-rounded, confident and motivated to achieve. "Employers are now coming to us to seek out our cadets as they finish." John Osborne, WSFCTT Advisory Board, says one of the biggest challenges and a key focus for the board is to secure long term financial sustainability. "It may appear we are growing and prospering as an organisation, but the reality is every year we are a few key sponsors away from not balancing the books. We know there are people and organisations out there that are passionate about training young people in sustainable farming. We hope our new endowment fund will be an avenue for them to help us create a meaningful legacy for Waipaoa."



Waipaoa has an experienced advisory board. L-R Pat Sherriff, Rob Telfer, John Osborne, Ken Shaw (Chair), Glenda (Sunrise), Charles Rau, Peter Nolan, Denver Palmer (Training Manager) & Josh Kelleher.

Future fund for Boys' High

Gisborne Boys' High School Board of Trustees Chair, Ian Ruru, says the board felt it was important to establish the Gisborne Boys' High School Endowment Fund at Sunrise to help provide future sustainability for the school.

The board hopes the endowment fund will be a way for their loyal alumni to show their support to the school and are optimistic that, together with the community and whanau, they will build a valuable taonga for our sons and future generations.

lan added that "all schools operate in a tough environment, funding is always tight, and we have to be smart in finding ways to increase our subsidiary income."

"With this modest start, our endowment fund won't start paying dividends in the short term, but in the long term it is important to grow a meaningful fund and create a significant legacy for the school."

Andrew Turner, GBHS Principal, says working in partnership with the community to grow the fund aligns nicely with the schools kaupapa of 'Together, Stronger'.

"Although I've only been in this role for a short time, I've already seen the wider community engagement with the school. There is real pride and connection to Boys' High for so many in the community."

He added that although there is high immediate need, he is committed to helping students understand sustainability and future proofing.

"We will be starting this year with a challenge to Year 13 students to undertake fundraising for the fund. It'll be up to them, under



Glenda with GBHS Board of Trustees Chair Ian Ruru and new principal Andrew Turner.

the leadership of Head Boy Dylan Hall, to think of ways for our students to raise funds to help the school be sustainable in the future."

Glenda Stokes, Sunrise Executive Officer, says the team at Boys' High do a fantastic job, but the business of running a school is a phenomenal task and, as with many schools, funding constraints are a considerable challenge.

"We are excited to work with them to build their fund, to help ensure the continued success of the school and to help future leaders in their mission to challenge young men to develop and achieve their potential."



Leave a lasting legacy

The Sunrise Foundation is a simple and lasting way to support local charities, organisations and causes that are important to you. You can support causes that are close to home and close to your heart.

At Sunrise we are all about capital preservation, so your donation will keep on supporting our local charities and organisations forever.

We can't even begin to imagine what the needs of our communities will be far into the future. The Sunrise General Fund can respond to our communities needs as they change.

You can also support your favourite charities or causes through a Special Interest Fund, so that your chosen charity will be supported forever by your donation.

Sunrise is an organisation for local people to give for local needs, to help build a strong future for the Gisborne district forever.

Who runs the Sunrise Foundation?

We have a volunteer board of nine trustees who provide a robust governance and succession model. The trustees are a group of respected and trusted individuals from within our local community.

Our trustees are John Clarke QSO JP (Chair), Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Richard Briant, Colin Christie FCA, David Clark, June Hall, Dame Bronwen Holdsworth DNZM, Joe Martin and Reweti Ropiha.

The trustees support the executive officer and committees. The Investment Committee consists of Colin Christie, David Clark and Richard Montgomery. The Grants Committee is Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Richard Briant, Colin Christie, David Clark, Rob Dymock and Leslynne Jackson.

Our executive officer Glenda Stokes is passionate about giving back to our community. In addition to her role at Sunrise, she is currently the chair of the Hospice Tairawhiti Board.

Ways to give

Donations during your lifetime

Sunrise welcomes donations of any size. Your donation can be added to the General Fund or one of our special purpose endowment funds - the choice is yours. You can donate by creditcard, internet banking, automatic payment or cheque.

Leave a legacy in your will

When making a will many people want to give something back to their community, or leave a bequest to their favourite charitable cause. It's a common misconception that only wealthy people leave money to charity when they pass away. Gifts in wills, or bequests, are not just made by the rich and famous. The reality is most bequests are made by ordinary, hardworking people who want to make a positive difference in their community and to other people lives. You may consider leaving a percentage of your estate or a specified sum in your will to Sunrise, knowing it will keep on giving back to our community forever.

Workplace giving

Sunrise workplace giving is an easy way for companies to help their employees give back to our local community with regular donations through their payroll system. Many people don't have a lot of spare money and a little bit every week or month is a realistic way they can donate. Donors can give as little as \$5 per week, the cost of a cup of coffee.

It is an easy way for people to donate a little often, with the added bonus of an immediate tax benefit.



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