



## Sunrise announces twenty new grants

**Sunrise's second funding round has commenced with the announcement of twenty grants to local community groups and charities.**

Glenda Stokes, Sunrise Executive Officer, is delighted Sunrise is funding so many good causes this year. "The donations we've had from our community have been phenomenal and as a result we are able to award three times more grants in 2016 than in our first funding round last year."

The strength of the community endowment model is that all donations are invested, protecting the capital, and grown each year to inflation proof the capital. The surplus income is granted to charities and community organisations in the Gisborne District. All money raised here, stays here.



*The Sunrise Grants Committee Lilian Tangaere-Baldwin, David Clark, Colin Christie, Rob Dymock and Richard Briant*

The Sunrise Grants Committee includes trustees Richard Briant, Colin Christie, David Clark and Lilian Tangaere-Baldwin. Rob Dymock has joined the committee as a secondee.

Rob didn't hesitate when we approached her to join the Sunrise Grants Committee as she believes the long term benefit of Sunrise will be significant. She says Sunrise is poised to help local charities and community groups as they struggle to raise the funds needed to carry out their important work.

"Sunrise is an organisation for local people to give for local needs. This coupled with the fact that donations are invested with a long term view, will help to build a stronger future for Gisborne." 🌻

Sunrise, a community endowment foundation, was launched in 2014 by The Warehouse founder and philanthropist Sir Stephen Tindall.

Although new to New Zealand, community foundations are the fastest growing form of philanthropy worldwide and have been operating for over 100 years in North America.

## News in brief

### Generosity abounds

Gisborne donors have gifted over \$1.2m in donations and \$7.5m in promised bequests to The Sunrise Foundation since we launched two years ago. Thanks Gisborne for helping us off to such a fabulous start.

### Sunrise joins national board

Colin Christie, Sunrise Vice Chair, has been appointed to the board of Community Foundations New Zealand (CFNZ). CFNZ supports the fourteen community foundations in NZ with advocacy, guidance and sharing of resources. It is great to have a representative on the national body flying the flag for Gisborne.

### Sunrise online

We launched our new website last month. Visit our website and join up to receive this newsletter by email so you're always up to date on our happenings. If Facebook is your thing, we also post news on our Facebook page, go on and "like" us.

### 2016 grant recipients

Sunrise grant recipients in the 2016 funding round are. Centre Stage, Citizens Advice Bureau Gisborne, Eastwoodhill Arboretum, Gisborne City Vintage Railway, Gisborne East Coast Cancer Society, Gisborne Land Search & Rescue, Gisborne Rowing Club, Gisborne Volunteer Centre, Growing Through Grief, Hackfalls Aboretum, Horouta Waka Hoe Club, Hospice Tairawhiti, Mangapapa Playcentre, Mangapapa Union Church, Ngati Porou Hauora, Heart Foundation Gisborne, Surf Lifesaving Gisborne, Swim for Life Tairawhiti, Tairawhiti Community Law Centre and Victim Support Tairawhiti.



## What does Sunrise do?

- We raise funds from donations and legacies
- We invest funds for the long term
- We use the income to provide grants for local charities and organisations

## A few words from Glenda



We've come a long way since we launched two years ago. The donations and bequests we've received have exceeded our expectations and we continue to be astounded by the generosity and support we've received from our community.

Fundraising is a big focus for us, but our reason for being is to support local charities and organisations, so it was truly gratifying to be able to award funding to twenty causes this year.

I'd like to thank the Grants Committee for their outstanding work and welcome new volunteers Richard Briant and Rob Dymock. Richard and Rob both have strong roots in the community. Richard's rural and business background and Rob's experience in the health and community sectors added depth to the committee.

We received a wide variety of quality applications and were able to help many of them. We'll be updating our website and Facebook regularly with their stories as they put their funding to good use.

It's been inspiring to help the team at Swim for Life Tairawhiti set up their endowment fund. In a place such as ours where we have easy access to beaches, rivers and waterways it is important that all of our children have the opportunity to learn to swim. Small community organisations such as SFLT desperately need an ongoing reliable source of passive income. They know that as their fund grows they can rely on that annual income forever.

The board and I would like to thank and congratulate our friends at Turanga Health. They've been participating in workplace giving for just over a year now and their commitment shows that a giving a little bit regularly really does make a difference.

It's through the generosity of people like them and our other donors that we were able to grant funding to so many great causes this year.

I hope you have a happy, healthy and safe summer.

**Glenda Stokes**  
**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

## Fund to improve water safety

**Swim For Life Tairawhiti (SFLT) delivers swim and survival education to primary school children from Manutuke to Potaka.**

Programmes are targeted at low decile schools where parents are often unable to support extra-curricular activities such as swimming.

Carl Newman, SFLT Trust Manager says that their programmes are designed to help children become confident and safer in the water. "The swimming ability of children in our region has declined in recent years. Our goal is to reverse that trend and help our region work towards a consistent record of no drowning."

To help fund the programme the SFLT board has established the Swim for Life Tairawhiti Endowment Fund.



*Manutuke School students Fahtalani Hohipa, Johannes Warmenhoven, (back) Tawhiao Kingi-Ferris, Ania-Lea Cook, Te Raukura Gray-Ferris, Peyton Smith and Joze Mua-Tihore enjoy a water safety programme run by Swim for Life Tairawhiti*

Isaac Hughes, SFLT Chair says that even though they are focussed on delivering programmes to our children now, they are also working to ensure future generations are kept safe.

"The fund will help our ongoing fundraising efforts as we teach kids to swim now. The great thing is it will also continue to support water safety education in the future." ❀

## Every little bit helps

Since joining workplace giving in July 2015 the Turanga Health team have collectively donated over \$5000 to Sunrise.

Reweti Ropiha, Turanga Health CEO, says you don't even notice the dent in your weekly pay packet when you give a little bit each week. "My workplace giving is less than a couple of cups of coffee, an easy sacrifice to make to support local needs."

Glenda Stokes, Sunrise Executive Officer, believes many people underestimate the potential of workplace giving. She says if just 1 percent of the Gisborne District's population donated \$5 a week that would equate to over \$170,000 per year.

If those people gave over a ten year period, their donations (including income retained to protect the donated funds from inflation) would grow to over \$2 million - all for the price of a cup of coffee a week.

### For the price of a cup of coffee



Laura Biddle and Reweti Ropiha of Turanga Health give back to our community through Sunrise Workplace Giving.

Glenda says workplace giving is not only an easy way for anyone to donate, it also has the added bonus of an immediate tax benefit. "If you donate \$7.50 per week, the government pays \$2.50 of that, meaning only \$5 is deducted from your pay packet."

***"Workplace giving is a very powerful way for our community to support itself and build a strong legacy for the future."***

Reweti compares workplace giving to building a brick wall. "We can enable our staff to give a brick or two a week. The more companies that help people give bricks, the bigger and stronger the wall. I encourage all Gisborne companies to join us in workplace giving and help to build a prosperous future for Tairāwhiti, brick by brick."

Laura Biddle was surprised how much the team at Turanga Health have donated in the short time they've been doing workplace giving. She says it's been easy to do and it feels great to be making a difference for our community.

"It's important to me that Sunrise is a local charity and my donations are going to help build a more prosperous Tairāwhiti for my mokopuna." 🌿



Richard Briant

## Sunrise welcomes new board member

**Our newest trustee, Richard Briant, was born and raised in rural Gisborne and continues to be involved with the family farming business.**

His background as a chartered accountant and associate with BDO and his involvement with other charities, including the Marjorie Redstone Trust, will be invaluable as he has also joined the Sunrise Grants Committee.

Richard believes Sunrise offers Gisborne people the opportunity to provide long term support to local charities they are passionate about. 🌿



## 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. Our General Purposes Endowment Fund can respond to our communities needs as they change.

You can also support your favourite charities or causes through a Special Purpose Endowment 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 the local community.

The trustees support the executive officer and committees such as the Investment Advisory Committee and the Grants Committee. These committees include both trustees and local expert volunteers.

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

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

## Ways to give

### Donations during your lifetime

You can gift donations of any size to Sunrise. The great news for you is that your donation will qualify for a tax rebate of 33.3 percent up to the limit of your taxable income.

### Leave a legacy in your will

When making a will many people want to give something back to their community by leaving a bequest to their favourite charity or cause. You may consider leaving a percentage of your estate or a specified sum in your will to Sunrise, knowing that it will keep on giving forever.

### Workplace giving

Many organisations participate in philanthropic works. Workplace giving is a fantastic way for employers to help their employees give back to our local community. Sunrise can help your company set up regular giving via your payroll system.



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