



The
Sunrise
Foundation
Local Giving for Local Needs

\$1 million milestone reached

The generosity of Gisborne donors has exceeded expectations with news that local people have gifted over \$1.1 million in donations and \$5.5 million in promised bequests to The Sunrise Foundation in the past two years.

Glenda Stokes, executive officer, is elated with the support that the community has shown the foundation. "We have only been operating for two years, so to break the one million dollar mark is truly gratifying."

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

Glenda believes it is the strength of the endowment model, where

donations and bequests are invested and grown each year, that has appealed to Sunrise's supporters.

\$1.1 million
donations received

\$5.5 million
bequests pledged

"People like the idea that their donation is protected and inflation proofed so that it will keep on working for their community forever," she says.

Chair John Clarke, believes Sunrise is poised to make a real difference in the Gisborne district. Sunrise only distributes grants to local causes and charities. "Sunrise is an organisation for local people to give for local needs."

News in brief

Apply for grants now

Applications for our second funding round are open until 19th August. Visit our website for our funding policy and application form.

Mind Lab Gisborne

Mind Lab is using its grant from Sunrise to bring children from the Coast down to Gisborne so they can participate in state-of-the-art after school and school holiday education.

Swim For Life Tairawhiti

A grant from Sunrise helped SFLT deliver lessons to 2,500 students at 27 schools from Manutuke to Hicks Bay, helping them to become more confident and safe in the water.





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

The thing I enjoy most about Sunrise is the opportunity to meet so many lovely new people.



Last year Gavin McFarlane got in touch when his health was failing. It was an honour to spend time with Gavin before he passed away and help him set up a named endowment fund. Each year the income from his bequest will be granted in his name to the charities he nominated.

The trustees and I are delighted to welcome Lilian Tangaere Baldwin to our board. Lilian's extensive background and knowledge within iwi and the smaller coastal communities in our region will bring fresh insight and perspective to Sunrise.

We were recently gifted a large donation which the donor requested be used for the future benefit of Eastwoodhill Arboretum. These funds were used to establish the Eastwoodhill Endowment Fund. It was a pleasure to work with the wonderful team at Eastwoodhill to set up their special interest endowment fund.

I'm also working with the EIT Students Association, Swim For Life Tairawhiti and the Tairawhiti Community Law Centre to help them establish funds for their causes.

We look forward to receiving applications in our second funding round. We have tried to make it as easy as possible to apply, but if you need help please call or email me directly. Make sure you get your application in by 19th August.

Glenda Stokes
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Eastwoodhill fund for the future

Revered as the National Arboretum of New Zealand, Eastwoodhill encompasses over 131 hectares of rolling hills, 25km of walking tracks, and is home to 3500 species of exotic and native trees, shrubs and climber plantings.

Eastwoodhill's trustees have supported the establishment of the Eastwoodhill Endowment Fund with Sunrise to ensure the survival of this globally significant collection and support the future development of the arboretum.

While Eastwoodhill is regarded as the largest and most comprehensive collection of Northern Hemisphere trees south of the equator, just as significantly, it is also an important community resource, attracting thousands of visitors annually. Enjoying strong relationships with tertiary education providers, it is a valuable resource and base for scholarly research and hosts hundreds of local school groups every year.

Curator Dan Haliday has the huge task of keeping Eastwoodhill running today, but he says that it is just as vital to secure the arboretum's future for tomorrow. "This partnership with Sunrise will help to secure Eastwoodhill's legacy for generations to come."



Margot Sherratt, Glenda, Dan and Monique Haliday



Gavin McFarlane 1939 - 2015

In memory of Gavin

Gavin McFarlane was born into a Patutahi farming family in 1939, he had eight sisters and seven brothers. His childhood was simple, but fun, milking cows and riding horses.

His work with Bob Crosby took him all around the East Coast building schools and houses for the Education Board. His working life also included building coolstores and freezers for Clarke Refrigeration, a stint in a butchery at his Makaraka business and carting grapes during harvest.

Sunrise welcomes new trustee

Sunrise's new trustee, Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, is passionate about whanau, marae and hapu development and believes Sunrise has the potential to positively support our smaller communities up the East Coast.

Lilian is a director of Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou Board and Toitu Ngati Porou Charitable Trust, and a trustee of Radio Ngati Porou.

Her community focus will be invaluable as she has also joined Sunrise's Grants Advisory Committee which administers the granting of funds to local charities and organisations.

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GAVIN MCFARLANE

But it was his 40 years with Hindmarsh Buses and 20 years volunteering for St John's that allowed him to explore the district and meet so many new faces.

In his spare-time Gavin was an avid member of Patutahi Golf Club and loved nothing more than meeting friends for a quiet drink at the local.

When his health started to deteriorate, Gavin thought hard about how he could give back to the community that he loved.

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Gavin chose Gisborne East Coast Cancer Foundation and Hospice Tairāwhiti as they supported both him and his wife Ngaire before she passed away in 2003.

Ngaire had left a donation to the two organisations and Gavin felt strongly about doing the same.

He said the people behind these groups did "amazing work" and it was important for him that the support he gave was protected to benefit the local community.



Lilian Tangaere Baldwin and Glenda



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 Advisory Committee. These committees include both trustees and local expert volunteers.

Our trustees are John Clarke QSO JP (Chairperson), Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Colin Christie, David Clark, June Hall, Dame Bronwen Holdsworth DNZM, Graham Johnson, 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 Tairāwhiti 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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