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Welcome

On my desk is a crumpled reminder. A piece of paper on which is a hastily written shopping list - nappies, bottled water, food. It was penned by my neighbour, a mother of four small girls in the aftermath of Cyclone Gabrielle and thrust into my hand as I got into a helicopter with my own family.

We'd just lost our home and were the first of our subdivision to be evacuated out of Puketapu. I promised to do whatever I could to somehow get these basic shopping items to her and to the rest of our little community.

I look at it often to remind myself of the absolute helplessness we all felt during that time. The community spirit shown by Puketapu, and many other rural communities is what kept us all going. Once we were safe, we began to ensure that others were too. Those who were less physically affected wanted to help also, something that became very apparent when cellphone coverage returned, and I began receiving email after email asking where donations could be made.

The Hawke's Bay Foundation Cyclone Relief Fund took off as soon as we launched it. As I write this, it is closing in on 2 million dollars raised, with over \$700,000 already distributed or pledged. All funds donated are staying here in Hawke's Bay, and 100% of funds will be given out within a 12 month time frame. We are waiving all administrative fees.

The staff, Board and Distribution Committee members of Hawke's Bay Foundation have all been working some very long hours to ensure this fund has maximum community impact and I am very proud of our efforts. This is the definition of a healthy, functioning community and I thank all of our donors for your support.

Kia kaha Hawke's Bay. Amy Bowkett, Executive Officer

Cyclone Relief Fund Performs Critical Function for Charities

Hawke's Bay Foundation has tagged and distributed over 42 percent of its growing Cyclone Relief Fund to date, bolstering local charities with vital funding.

As at 5th April, 2023, Hawke's Bay Foundation has granted its fifth round of distributions to frontline charities taking to a total of \$756,000 the funding it's now distributed or had pledged from donors.

Meeting under urgency each week, the Foundation's specialist Distribution Committee moves to distribute funding to charitable organisations spanning from Wairoa to Central Hawke's Bay, to assist those worst affected by the disaster. Funding ranges from: reimbursement for food and fuel provisions and generators, sheltering whanau and the purchase of household items.

Hawke's Bay Foundation Distributions Chair Sarah Mulcahy says a further \$130,000 has been ring-fenced for mental health support to be distributed in collaboration with the Rural Support Trust, over the coming weeks. →



← “We are linking with the Rural Support Trust and other organisations who are stepping up in their efforts to provide psychosocial support. This could be formal counselling or peer group support. We have made an initial pledge of \$100,000 and two donors have come forward with a further \$30,000. All to be utilised in the coming months.”

“We are making initial grants as quickly as possible ensuring due diligence to make sure the funding goes where it is intended. We have reached out to many charitable organisations, some we have funded before and others that are new to us to tell us where the need for funding is. This takes time and care and the Foundation’s Distribution Committee take their responsibility very seriously. This is a marathon not a sprint and long-term regional recovery is a key focus of this Fund.”

“The people and businesses of Hawke’s Bay have really got behind the cyclone relief effort, giving of their time, talents and money, supporting those in need and stepping up to help.”

Ms Mulcahy says it’s been amazing to see the number of both large and small donations.

“The people and businesses of Hawke’s Bay have really got behind the cyclone relief effort, giving of their time, talents and money, supporting those in need and stepping up to help. The generosity shown in this difficult time shows just how much we treasure the relationship we have for our people, our land and our communities.”

The fund stands at 1.8M and distributions will be ongoing until all donations are distributed to the community.



Amy Walker (Visy Chief Human Resources Officer), Rosabella (Visy Board team member) with Fiona Geminder (Co-Owner, Visy) at Visy Board Wiri in Auckland.

Family Foundation Donates to Cyclone Relief

A private family foundation and its adjoining packaging and resource recovery business has made a \$250,000 donation to support cyclone-affected Hawke’s Bay communities.

The money donated by Visy through the Pratt Foundation will support the rebuild and recovery of infrastructure in Hawke’s Bay, through Hawke’s Bay Foundation’s Cyclone Relief Fund.

Visy Co-owner Fiona Geminder says the funding is helping those areas of the region hit hardest by the cyclone. “We’ve seen time and again how communities come together to support one another in times of crisis, the people of Hawke’s Bay are no different.

“Our hearts go out to all those affected by the cyclone and we hope this donation helps in the recovery,” she said.

Local Donor Leaves Lasting Gift to Migrant Community

Giving to local causes by gifting in perpetuity through Hawke’s Bay Foundation is helping fulfill a Hastings man’s drive to support Hawke’s Bay’s migrant community.

Through Hawke’s Bay Foundation, Gary Roselli will gift in June \$12 thousand to Hawke’s Bay’s Multicultural Society, to help address what he calls a housing crisis for migrants and poor integration for migrant children entering the local schooling system.

At 68, most of Gary Roselli’s life has been associated with migrants.

Growing up with a Thai mother-in-law and being married himself to a Filipino for 26 years, Gary has seen first-hand the challenges Asian cultures face integrating into Kiwi life.

“I know we say we don’t have racism here but let me tell you it is rife. We need their workforce and migrant skills and helping these people adapt to life here makes me feel really good.

I believe that giving what you can back in perpetuity is the right thing to do and to do it in the Hawke’s Bay community where I grew up, is so perfect.



Local donor Gary Roselli

After updating his will through his lawyer Gary plans to leave 60 percent of his estate to Hawke’s Bay Foundation, along with ‘living giving’ contributions of \$1 thousand a month.

“I went online and saw the good that Hawke’s Bay Foundation is doing locally, read some stories from donors and immediately thought this has to be the way to go.

“I trust them, I did my research and through speaking with people concluded it’s a robust and effective entity that is wisely investing and gifting returns back to charitable causes throughout Hawke’s Bay year after year. Bequestors like Havelock North identity, the late Sally Lusk were visionary.”

Generous Donors Gift Historic Property Sale Proceeds to Hawke’s Bay Foundation

It’s hoped the sale proceeds from an iconic Hawke’s Bay property currently on the market are set to underpin the biggest gift ever made to Hawke’s Bay Foundation by a single donor.

In an unprecedented act of generosity, Dick and Val Bradshaw will donate the proceeds of their River Lodge property to Hawke’s Bay Foundation. In an historic move, Tremains Real Estate Ltd has come alongside, waiving all fees and agent’s commissions during the sale process for the benefit of Hawke’s Bay Foundation.

Simon Tremain, Managing Director at Tremains believes it’s a timely good news story for the region.

“Tremains has a long standing connection to Hawke’s Bay and to supporting the Hawke’s Bay community and we feel privileged to align with this historic sale process. For our agents Susie Sturt and Jarrod Lowe to walk away from the sale waiving their commission on this property for the greater good, is very admirable indeed.”

1308F Tuki Tuki Road will be sold via closed tender, with invited tenders due



From left to right: Tremains agent Jarrod Lowe with Hawke’s Bay Foundation Trustee Jules Nowell-Usticke and Tremains agent Susie Sturt

by the 27th of April. Built in 2003 as the first of renowned designer Andy Coltart’s River Lodges, the property is already attracting significant buyer interest.

“Ultimately we will be driving the best price we can and when the buyer understands that the bid they’re putting in is effectively going to an organisation as worthy and robust as Hawke’s Bay Foundation, they’ll have to feel pretty good about that.”

Canadian-based vendors Dick and Val Bradshaw have visited Hawke’s Bay for several months each year and were drawn to the region for its beauty, fishing and easy access to the outdoors. Over the past 20 years they have made enduring Kiwi friendships and quietly contributed to the Hawke’s Bay community in many ways.

However they have now decided the commute is too great. →

StockCo New Corporate Sponsor

Hawke’s Bay Foundation is proud to announce agri finance specialists Stockco as its newest corporate sponsor.

Stockco joins a growing stable of corporate supporters who have chosen to align with Hawke’s Bay Foundation, including: BioRich, Jarden, NZD, Fingermark, Findex, Brebner Print, Band, Bay European, Bay Buzz and Alma.

Since opening in 1995, Stockco has been helping farmers all over New Zealand expand their operations and maximise profits. With an office team based in Havelock North, and a field team in both the North and South Islands,

they get on farm working with their customers to optimise their operations.

Stockco Chief Financial Officer Jeremy Cranswick says partnering with Hawke’s Bay Foundation was a natural fit.

“As a leading agri finance specialist based out of Hawke’s Bay we’re proud to partner with our region’s Community Foundation. StockCo supports the work of Hawke’s Bay Foundation as a robust charitable giving vehicle providing local charities with sustainable funding streams and we would encourage other businesses in Hawke’s Bay to lend their support.”

← Close friend and Hawke's Bay Foundation Trustee Jules Nowell-Usticke says the couple know the importance of legacy gifting to community.

"Being closely connected with the Vancouver Foundation with Dick as former Deputy Chair, they understand the incredible impact that Community Foundations can have on their communities (Vancouver Foundation now distributes \$115 million annually to Canadian charities).

"By generously leaving this gift to Hawke's Bay Foundation, they know it will hugely benefit many of our own charities for years to come. Since becoming cornerstone donors at the launch of Hawke's Bay Foundation in 2012, they have continued to be very supportive and feel confident that their gift will be well protected, grown and carefully distributed."

Widely regarded in Canada as philanthropic leaders in conservation and medical research, Dick and Val Bradshaw have left it up to the discretion of Hawke's Bay Foundation to assess where their money will be best distributed.

Hawke's Bay Foundation Executive Officer Amy Bowkett is proud to act as caretaker of this gift.

"Their donation will be preserved in perpetuity with our Distributions Committee directing the earnings generated each year to the areas of greatest need in Hawke's Bay. We're definitely going to miss having Dick and Val visit but it's so heart-warming knowing that their memory will live



Hawke's Bay Foundation Executive Officer Amy Bowkett meets Governor-General of New Zealand and Patron of Community Foundations of New Zealand, Dame Cindy Kiro

Celebrating Community Philanthropy

Hawke's Bay Foundation was honoured to celebrate the growth of community philanthropy across Aotearoa NZ, together with Community Foundations of New Zealand Patron, The Rt Hon Dame Cindy Kiro, Governor-General of New Zealand, at Government House recently.

In attendance representing our region were Hawke's Bay Foundation supporters: Kim Thorp, Rachael Knight, Jeanette and Peter Kelly, HBF Executive Officer Amy Bowkett and HBF Chair Giles Pearson. Her Excellency Dame Cindy Kiro opened her address with a special mention.

"I wish to acknowledge Amy Bowkett, Executive Officer of the Hawke's Bay Foundation, and your husband

Richard, who I understand to have lost your home in Cyclone Gabrielle. Our thoughts are with you and your community at this extraordinarily difficult time. It is a testament to your own commitment to the work of the Hawke's Bay Foundation that you are with us here this evening.

I'd like to specifically acknowledge the recent work you've done in response to the recent weather events through your emergency response fund.

Your core ethos of 'effective funding' has meant that those countless New Zealanders - seeing the devastation of the cyclone, and wishing to help - have been able to donate in a way that can be of greatest service, both in the short-term response, and the long-term recovery."

on through their generosity towards this community which they loved dearly. Theirs is truly 'a gift that goes on giving' and their legacy will make a profound a difference to many lives in Hawke's Bay for many generations to come."

For enquiries or a viewing of the Bradshaw's listed River Lodge property, please contact Susie Sturt on 021 894 770 or Jarrod Lowe 027 442 2677 or visit: www.tremains.co.nz/listings

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