



## Digital Wings Report to Donors 2022 to 31 March 2023

Digital Wings thanks all our donor partners, businesses, local and central government agencies for contributing to the charitable sector and keeping e-waste out of the landfill by decommissioning your equipment with us.

### TOGETHER WE HAVE POSITIVELY IMPACTED DIGITAL INCLUSION OF OVER 1.98 MILLION NEW ZEALANDERS

- Our technology is raising the digital capacity of charities nationwide, enabling them to update, refine and extend their services to clients and community
- We witness transformation from struggling to function on an old device with outdated software to receiving a high-performance machine which fulfils all the functions required to operate efficiently
- Digital Wings builds community sustainability with your technology to create empowering support systems
- Charities return to us for more technology gifts when they take on extra staff or develop new programmes as their services flourish and grow i.e., field staff, social and health workers, and rangatahi on career paths to environmental forest management, cultivation, pest control and innovative entrepreneurial ventures.

### OUR DATA

- We record decommissioned items collected monthly and convert these to tonnage per donor business
- We ask charities how many clients they serve annually as beneficiaries impacted by Digital Wings technology
- We record all items gifted out to communities each year, so here are our stats from pilot phase to present.

### DIGITAL WINGS OUTCOMES 2016-2022 (To 31 March 2023)

	<b>1,987,975</b>	<b>5,375</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>981</b>
<b>Total for Years</b>	<b>Beneficiaries</b>	<b>Items Gifted</b>	<b>Charities</b>	<b>Donors (new)</b>	<b>E-waste diverted</b>
2022-to 31 March 2023	458,212	1438	230	16	263 tonnes +59 tonnes 31 March
2021	563,962	1117	198	17	261 tonnes
2020	723,774	1061	157	21	206.7 tonnes
2019	238,667	1156	110	28	190.8 tonnes
2018	12,833	246	34	5	Not recorded
2017	17,705	192	24	5	
2016 pilot	1,667	165	20	2	

Your donations make such a difference in communities nationwide, but our donors often state they would prefer their equipment is redeployed within their own regions, so we have listened, remembering we still need to gift to under-served areas without local donors.

- Here are stories and case studies from some of your regions around the Motu:

**Auckland**

**Northland**

**Christchurch-Canterbury**

**Otago-Southland**

**Waikato-Coromandel -BOP**

**Tairāwhiti-Hawkes Bay**

**Manawatu-Whanganui**

**Wellington**

- As far as possible, we have used the charities' own words on how technology has helped their services
- All Digital Wings reports and charity testimonials can be viewed at <https://www.digitalwings.nz/reports.html>

## Tamaki Makaurau – 103 Auckland charities like these receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings

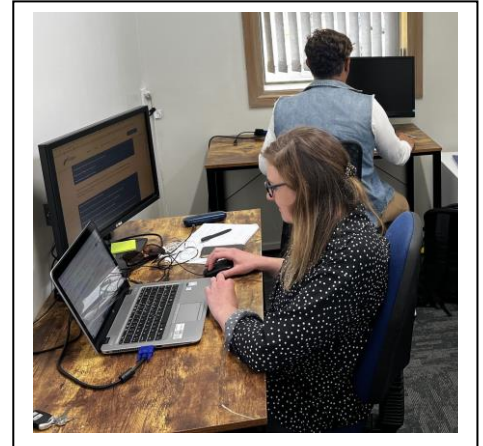
### CRESCENDO TRUST

*“The computers provided by the Digital Wings Trust have made a huge difference to our team as we provide music mentoring workshops to young people and manage the day-to-day running of our organisation. We have recently expanded the team to secure further funding for our work and improve our impact, so the computers have been very beneficial for our growing team. They have allowed the team to work*



*flexibly and stay connected. Digital Wings have been instrumental in giving our rangatahi the opportunity to use industry standard equipment, empowering them in their creative journeys.”*

<https://www.crescendo.org.nz/>



### GUT CANCER NZ

*“As we head into 2023 we wanted to look back and reflect on the impact your support made in 2022. From funding new research and increased awareness-raising to lighting New Zealand Purple and launching a new webinar series, 2022 was another year in which the Gut Cancer Foundation (GCF) community came together to create an everlasting impact for all New Zealanders affected by gut cancers. 2022 saw the start of GCF's work creating a comprehensive hub of information and resources, to support patients and whānau through their cancer journey. The first stage has seen the development of a new web platform, a review of all existing GCF information, and consultation including hui with patients, whānau, and Māori groups to ensure we deliver a website and set of resources for all New Zealanders.”*

<https://www.gutcancer.org.nz/>



### FAILOA FAMILI

*“We received 6 laptops from Digital Wings in June 2019. These laptops were used as part of our Life Skills programme enabling over 100 Pasifika clients to access information, engage with learning online, participate in digital readiness courses which improved their confidence in using digital devices and create opportunities for career and employment pathways. These were our first laptops which supported our inaugural Pacific Women in Tech programme, Kakai Talavou health and safety training for our staff and volunteers during the first COVID-19 lockdown in 2020. Kakai Talavou youth language ambassadors had to pivot from COVID-19 cancelled ASB Polyfest events to online and created a Pasifika language video resource. Photo of health and safety training with youth volunteers.”*



Failoa Famili have since come back for more support in 2023 and received a further 3 laptop bundles and 6 iPhones. <https://www.failoafamili.org.nz/>

## RAFT TRUST

*“Dear Dianne and the team at Digital Wings, Raft studios would like to extend a giant THANK YOU to Digital Wings and the team that works so hard to give us our two new HP Laptops. We were working off an old Chromebook and it was extremely limiting and often frustrating at times. With our new HP laptops, we are able to share the workload, manage our digital media and communication with ease, freeing up time to work on creating a space for others to get creative and work on their mindfulness. What your team creates and delivers, to those who are also working hard to deliver better outcomes in the world, is absolutely appreciated and we feel humbled to have received your gifts. Kindest regards, The team at Raft Studio Torbay.”* <https://www.raftstudios.co.nz/>



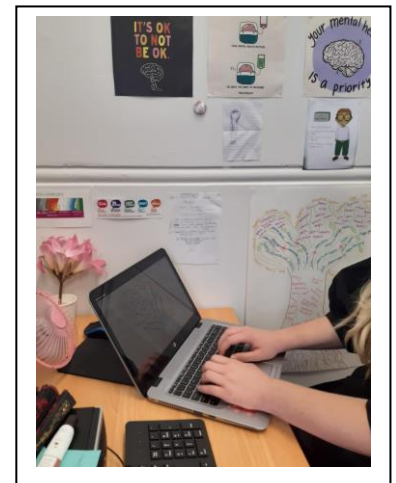
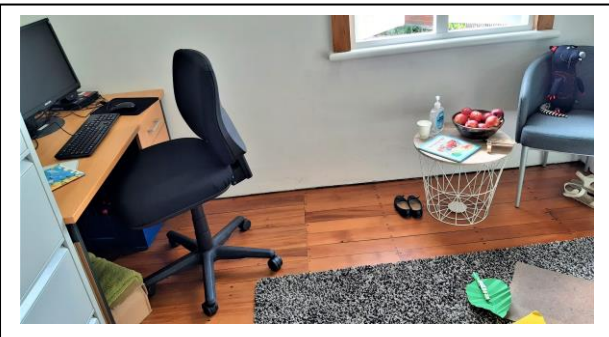
## VOICES FROM THE SPECTRUM



*“Our 100% Autistic computer group is going very well, meeting three times a month. They are working on developing a game at the moment, which is a long-term project. They started a few months ago and hope to submit their demo to The NZ Game Festival. This would not be possible without the laptops from Digital Wings. This group is very important to the people who use it. As well as programming and design, they’ve also done 3D modelling, spreadsheets, SQL, and lots of maths. They’re a brainy bunch. It’s a bit beyond me!”* <https://vfts.org.nz/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/VoicesFromTheSpectrum/>

## RESPECT TRUST

*“Thank you so much for the laptop and desktop bundles we received from Digital Wings. These computers have made a significant difference to our organisation. The desktops are used by a pool of contractors and staff who counsel clients and facilitate programmes to help people live free of violence and abuse. Two of the laptops are used by our Children’s Programme Manager and Children’s Counsellor, and the other is for shared use. One of our staff is working with a woman who has been abused by her partner for a long time and after a physical assault she found the courage to go to police and lay charges. She self-referred to Respect and the staff member has been supporting her and her son through women’s and children’s programmes.*



*We engage with over 950 clients a year, each with stories similar to this, and the computers we received from Digital Wings enable this important work.”*  
<https://respect.org.nz/>

## HENDERSON BUDGET SERVICE

*“We are providing financial literacy to rangatahi and helping our community to be better educated financially. The Digital Wings tablets and iPhone are beneficial in delivering my presentations. Having better tools to deliver seamlessly is better for rangatahi, enabling me to deliver more than just by workbooks.”*  
<https://www.budgeting.org.nz/our-services>



**NEW SETTLERS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY TRUST**  
 New Settlers Family and Community Trust (NFACT) provides flexible, culturally and linguistically appropriate services for refugees and people from refugee-like backgrounds, such as asylum-seekers, convention refugees, and people under the family reunification category or those with particular emergency visas.



Their programmes include building resilience, leadership, micro-enterprise, English language, Tikanga Māori and connecting to social, educational and health services. *"I just wanted to quickly say thank you very much for the beautiful iPhone and laptop gifts from the Digital Wings team. It will greatly support our work with the refugee communities. May we upload your logo onto our website to acknowledge your support. Kind regards, Manager NFACT"*  
<https://www.nfact.co.nz/>



**TARO PATCH CREATIVE**

Taro Patch Creative is a creative south Auckland-based social services provider that specialises in digital storytelling and the arts through a Pasifika lens. Taro Patch Creative is a family-led initiative of Malosi Pictures, it is conceived by the Mafile'o sisters Ve'a, Emily and Elizabeth Mafile'o. Together they bring their collective skills in filmmaking, storytelling, tutoring, production design, public programming, arts facilitation and occupational health therapy in the mental health and disabilities sector. Digital Wings gifted them 2 laptops, 7 desktops and 4 iPhones. <https://taropatchcollective.com/>



*"This will 100% help us to achieve our goals as we need these tools to help our participants create their work. As a new initiative we have struggled to get these vital resources we need due to the limitations we face around funding. We have also noted that the majority of our participants have no access to laptops and computers of their own or even internet at home. This will enable us to have the proper equipment needed to have editors come in and work with the participants and this will help us to be more satiable. The phones will not only be useful to businesses matters but also used as a tool for participants to experiment with the cameras and used the footage and photography in their stories."*



**GRAEME DINGLE FOUNDATION** <https://dinglefoundation.org.nz/>  
 Nationwide, GDF has received a total of 77 devices from Digital Wings across their Auckland, BOP, Hawkes Bay, Wellington, Christchurch and Southland centres. So, it was great to catch up with their head office team at their fundraiser event at Gibbs Farm on the Kaipara in March.



## Te Taitokerau – 77 Northland charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings

These range from youth groups, sports, education, music charities to Marae, health, social services, environmental and kauri dieback ventures. Many are whānau/hapū/iwi-led rōpū responding directly to their community needs by striving to improve lifestyle and employment opportunities locally. As a Far North resident myself, I see how Taitokerau is severely underserved in myriad ways and would love to shine a light on this beautiful rohe and the voluntary sector which picks up responsibility. None less than Rugby for Life that goes further than sports venues, by providing valuable community hubs for connection, education and social wellbeing. <https://rugbyforlife.org.nz/>



### TAIAMAI-OHAEAUWAI RUGBY FOOTBALL & SPORTS CLUB

This home club of Portia Woodman is 130 years old and shows how Digital Wings adds opportunity to their aspirations for the present and future.

*“We host numerous other committees and groups onsite for various reasons, including but not limited to: meetings, school prizegivings & fundraisers, information days & evenings, sporting events, senior info evenings, Taiamai*

*Ohaeawai Residents Association events & meetings... the list goes on. Our intention is not only to make our Junior & Senior Committee meetings more efficient, but also to have better, more efficient & accurate digital processes put in place. Something our team is implementing is a digital hub to help educate our kuia & kaumatua on using computers and devices safely – from the basics of being able to turn on and have private passwords to online banking and grocery shopping, as well as allowing our rangatahi to have a place in our small town to access internet through a kiosk system with set permissions to search for work & educational opportunities in our surrounding areas and beyond. Beating restrictions of both poverty and restraint.”*

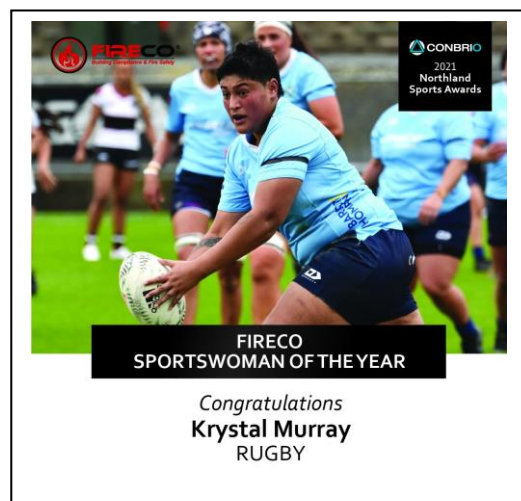
**Digital Wings gifted 6 Desktops for office and digital teaching hubs; 4 Laptops for senior committee members; 4 for Digital Hub for Kuia/Kaumatua; and 2 Tablets for roaming orders.**

***“The donation of these valuable assets accommodates all areas mentioned above and are game-changing. Without access to these resources, we had no basis to even start the dream.”***



### TE RARAWA WAHINE RUGBY CLUB

*“Te Rarawa Wahine rugby was created to provide opportunities for the wahine of Muriwhenua to get involved in the sport of Rugby, build local rugby clubs, mentor rangatahi who will one day play for the team, to establish Whakawhānau, and build hauora using Rugby as the vehicle for change in our local community. Our club had no computers, so we were reliant on members using their own personal computers if they had them. As we are in a low socio-economic area, often members don't have computers, so we had to do funding applications on our personal phones or go into the local library and use their computers. Having a computer means we can keep our minutes, financial records, games scores, team records in a safe and easy to access place. Covid-19 did it's best to try and kill our sport, making it difficult to train, play, and gather to do the work needed for Rugby in our community. It has affected numbers involved and we strive to increase interest again and attract more players to the game.”*

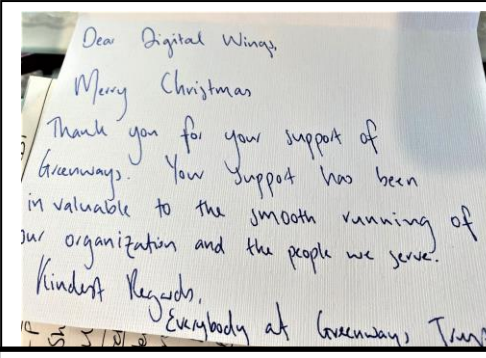


**Te Rarawa Wahine Rugby – Home to Krystal Murray**

### OKAIHAU RUGBY CLUB

*“We are growing our rugby club, building numbers by increasing our online presence, updating our rugby club and facilities etc. and making the club a community hub. The donation of refurbished computers contributes to these goals as we are able to use the computers to help establish our online presence. It also allows us to help our whanau register their tamariki and rangatahi for rugby (as it all has to be done online). We live in a relatively low socio-economic community and not everyone has access to computers and the internet. We are trying to boost our numbers, especially in our junior club, to enable the kids to have somewhere to belong.”* <https://rugbyforlife.org.nz/>

**GREENWAYS TRUST DARGAVILLE**



<https://greenwaystrust.org.nz>

**Jigsaw North Manaaki Whānau Services** received laptop bundles, tablets and iPhones from Digital Wings. They provide support for families and whānau through counselling for children, parents and families, social work, family support and a range of parenting education and therapeutic programmes. Having this equipment for clinical staff who work as counsellors in schools, and iPhones for admin staff and manager means they do not need to use their funds for equipment for staff. It also makes a difference to the ease that staff members are more able to do their work, having reliable and up to date equipment. <https://www.jigsawnorth.org.nz/>



**He Korowai Trust Kaitiāia, Hokianga Housing Resilience & Whangaroa Health Trust** are responding to local needs and using Digital Wings computers, laptops and iPhones for kaimahi and desktops for their clients to access onsite, increases capacity for the charity itself, enables a mobile workforce, and enables digital inclusion for their community and whānau. Digital Wings also provides Rangatahi Digital Workshop videos and free Training for Trainers for kaimahi in Taitokerau. <https://hkt.org.nz/>



**Kerikeri Community Music School** reports Digital Wings helps their organization keep in contact with community via skype lessons, enabling continuity of music tuition. Pupils gain confidence through music and this can relieve the feeling of isolation. They order sheet music from online music sources and their tutor teaches piano and voice using a laptop. *“For each instrument I refer my pupils to YouTube performances by artists with reference to technique, accuracy, and interpretation. I keep notes on each pupil’s progress, their contact details, and I also teach some people online when they live too far away or are health compromised.”* <https://www.kerikerischoolofmusic.org/>  
We have several rōpū conducting **Kauri Dieback** prevention and remedial work, while training rangatahi to manage pest control and forest regeneration as well as Maara Kai. These span from Mangamuka, Kaikohe, Moerewa to Whirinaki and Hokianga.

**MEET THE TEAM**

**ROSE SHEENAN**  
NURSERY SUPERVISOR/MANAGER

Rose is the Supervisor/Manager in the Te Toa Whenua Nursery. She has a deep reverence and appreciation for Papatūānuku and all of her gifts such as the trees, the mountains, the rivers and the birds.

“ The best part of my job is knowing that I’m contributing to a better future for our people; by helping to grow more trees we are helping to restore areas that have been damaged. Trees are the basic foundation needed for life on earth to thrive. ”

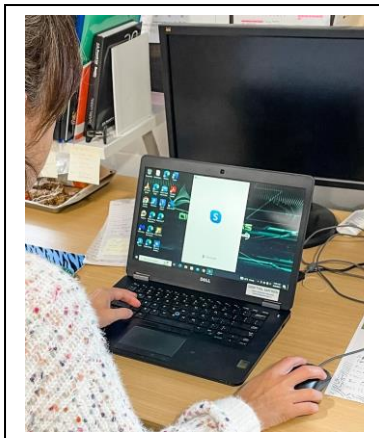
Decommissioning your viable technology through our charity gifting programme helps rangatahi like Tia here, working in the Waipoua Forest near Tane Mahuta. <https://www.tereroa.iwi.nz/>



**Te Wai Pounamu – 132 South Island charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings (30 Otago-Southland; 89 Canterbury; 13 Nelson-West Coast)**

### **CANTERBURY MEN'S CENTRE**

*"This gift [3 laptops] allows our team members to utilise updated equipment to continue working to support men across Canterbury. We wanted to provide you with some context about what your support provides. We hope you can see how much your support means to us and the vulnerable men in need of our services. The Canterbury Men's Centre delivers accessible, cost-effective mental health services to men in a friendly supportive and safe environment. Over the past 3 years, our monthly counselling numbers grew from 252 to 823 sessions. Our Intake Workers are a pivotal role in our organisation's success to help vulnerable men in need. Our service reaches and helps men who are normally on the fringe of society; men dealing with addictions to alcohol, drugs, gambling, food, men with sexual abuse trauma, domestic violence, anger issues and men that have isolated themselves in society. We also work with men dealing with mental health issues such as depression, anxiety, PTSD. The projects we have developed with this aim in mind also align significantly with reducing suicide in men. Our research has indicated that the men we care for go on to care for others (men/women/children) better and we have been receiving significant anecdotal information to indicate older men are highly influential in reaching younger men on their work crews, often bringing the younger man in to see us. Overall, our vision is Happy Healthy Canterbury Men."* <https://canmen.org.nz/>



### **PAINFUL BLADDER SYNDROME SUPPORT**

*"For nearly 30 years I have coordinated a national support group for a distressing disorder called Painful Bladder Syndrome. A lot of computer time was necessary with emails, preparing presentations and researching but I had to share time on our old desktop with my husband working on his music and scrimshaw. We kept saying we need a laptop, but it was never the right time until it was suggested I contact Digital Wings. I phoned up and was lucky enough to get Di Daniels on the other end. I explained my needs and after giving Di a brief account of our group and its members, Di told me I would be receiving a computer with all the necessities in the next couple of weeks. It arrived well within the two weeks and I haven't looked back. I can now sit quietly in any room in peace and quiet and 'talk' with distressed new members, prepare my next presentation without interruption and read all the latest articles on Painful Bladder. My proudest and most beneficial moments were when I participated in an international [Urology] zoom conference for the first time one Sunday morning at 4am (for everyone else it was 4pm). I had been invited to take part and previously it wouldn't have been possible but armed with my laptop I was up and running. I am so grateful for the donation of the laptop; it has made a huge difference to my work with the group and has opened new possibilities. Thank you from myself and the 200 group members around the country and the few in Australia."* <https://www.nzpbsg.org/>

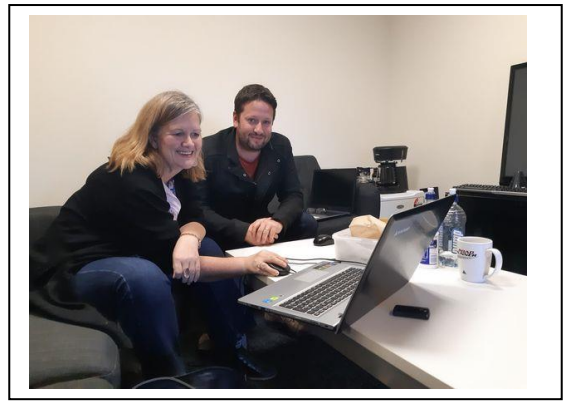
### **VAKA TAUTUA**

*"We applied for 2 iPhone-8 to use while out visiting our community. They have made a huge difference as most of our staff are iPhone users as opposed to android. This allows staff to be more productive as the technology is not a barrier to them using it to its full potential. These devices are very portable when out and about and take great photos. Our roles involve visiting clients or presenting at events. The phones are used for photos for our social media and to add to our good news stories. We also use the phones to collect data when out in the community and clients can add their details using our phones. They are very much a tool for our trade and having them donated by Digital Wings has made our jobs so much easier and allow us to be more productive. We have many events this year where the phones will be very useful."* <https://www.vakatautua.co.nz/canterbury>



## NZ GIFTS OF LOVE AND STRENGTH

*"I'm not sure if you saw our Facebook post tagging Digital Wings showing me using a laptop at our accountants Community Capacity Accounting who are also a registered charity. We were applying for COGS funding so that we could continue doing the work providing care packages for victims of trauma. Having the flexibility to take a laptop to appointments has made life so much easier for us. It has also enabled our team who were essential workers during covid to have zoom meetings and continue our work in the community feeding people who were socially isolated that suffer from PTSD. We have attended volunteer seminars at both ARA and University of Canterbury and been able to run a PowerPoint presentation on one laptop and have a sign up on another laptop which has been hugely beneficial. When we have run events where we entertained children who lost everything in a school fire, we had to produce arts and crafts from templates on the laptops and we created many smiles for the children attending those days. We are so thankful for the support we have received from Digital Wings, as a small charity we do not have a big budget to simply go out and buy a new laptop or computer."* <https://www.facebook.com/nzgiftsofloveandstrength/>



## THE CHAMPION CENTRE

*"I would like to express our gratitude for your very generous support towards the work of The Champion Centre. These [latest] five donated Laptops allow our community-based staff members access to important information and software while out in the community, further benefiting the children and families who utilise our services. The Champion Centre offers early intervention services for children aged 0-6 with developmental delays and disabilities which include Down syndrome, Cerebral Palsy and Autism. We have now supported over 2,000 families from all over Canterbury in over 40 years of operation and hope to continue well into the future. During the past year, 219 children and their families accessed our services and 60 children 'graduated' from The Champion Centre, taking their next steps in their*

*learning journey at schools. In addition to attending The Champion Centre, 64 children were supported weekly in their early childhood centre. Thank you once again for your immense generosity. If you would ever like to visit to see how your contribution impacts the lives of our families, you're always welcome so just let me know."*

<https://www.championcentre.org.nz/>



The Champion Centre  
Tamariki Toiora

## HOSPICE MID CANTERBURY

*"We would like to thank you sincerely for your generous grant of a computer. Your support helps people with a life-limiting illness to live every moment in whatever way is important to them. We are currently supporting 154 clients and their families from throughout the district. In addition to having a large volunteer team providing a wide range of support, we also contract professional service providers to provide counselling, bereavement support, massage therapy, reflexology, relaxation therapy, and reiki therapy. Since April 1st, 438 hours of contracted therapies have been provided with an additional 687 hours of direct volunteer support to clients and their families. The majority of our services are provided in the person's own home or residence, with support available to both the person with the life-limiting condition and their family. A range of regular activity and support programmes are also offered from our premises on Havelock Street. Hospice Mid Canterbury receives no government funding, so the this grant is crucial to enable us to meet the growing demand for support and continue to provide all services completely free of charge to people throughout the Ashburton district."*

<https://www.hospicemc.nz/>

<https://www.facebook.com/hospicemidcanterbury/>





## BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS NORTH CANTERBURY

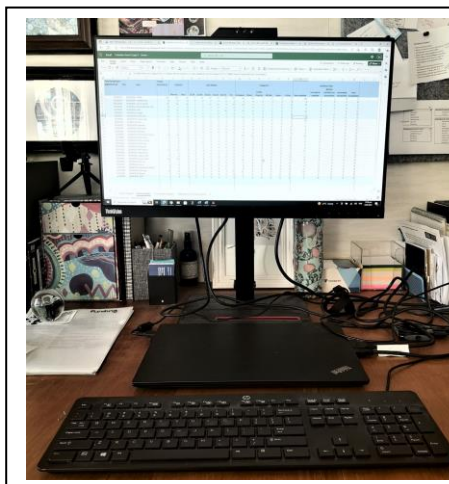


Dear Di + Digital Wings team,  
Thankyou so much for your recent donation of two Surface Pros for our Mentoring Coordinators! We can't wait to start using them, helping us work towards our aim of being paper-free (as much as possible!) Your support means the world to us,  
Jo, Elise + Anna ♡

Reports from Christchurch Aunties <http://www.chchaunties.org.nz/> and One Mother to Another are Appendices to this DW report <https://onemothertoanother.org.nz/>.

## CANINSPIRE TRUST OTAGO-SOUTHLAND (also Hawkes Bay and Wellington)

"CanInspire runs art therapy programmes to help people deal with depression and mental health problems. We have received ten tablets, a full laptop bundle plus an additional laptop from Digital Wings. The laptop bundle is being used by our National Funding Manager based in Invercargill who is very much appreciating the large monitor, particularly for spreadsheet work. The refurbished ThinkPad is much quicker than her old laptop which was crashing often, so as well as increased efficiency there is a lot less frustration. Thank you! The tablets are being used by our CanBead Tutors from Hawkes Bay to Southland. The main goal for our request was to become paper free at our free creative therapy workshops, using the tablets for signing in attendees and completing evaluation forms as well as for photos. We can now easily report on the data collected from evaluation forms. Before having tablets, we did not have the staff capacity to manually enter data from paper feedback forms. It is going to be fantastic to finally be able to provide this specific data to our funders."

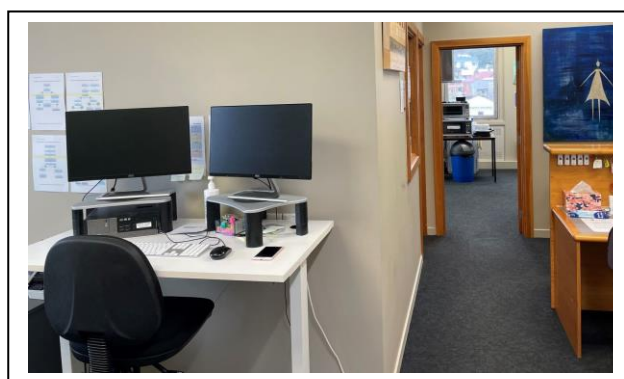


<https://www.caninspire.org.nz/>

## STOPPING VIOLENCE DUNEDIN

"In 2021 Digital Wings provided 2 laptops and 1 desktop. The laptops have been utilized by our Social Worker and Youth Co-Ordinator in their day-to-day work with clients. We currently run 5 youth programmes, based around art therapies, in local schools, which produce a lot of photos and art which the laptops provide easy access to when working with the groups. The desktop computer has been invaluable to our administrator. Providing a faster more reliable system for accessing our database, managing our calendars, emails and SMS messaging. We are very grateful to Digital Wings for their generous support of 2 more laptops."

<https://www.stoppingviolencedunedin.com/>



## LIGHTHOUSE INVERCARGILL

Lighthouse Southland works with men, women and young people impacted by violence, by providing education, counselling and support. No one feels good watching their partner or children living in fear or acting out the violence they have experienced. But the cycle and the addictions that go with it can be overwhelming. "Re: Donation of IT equipment, laptop and phone Lighthouse Southland. On behalf of the Lighthouse team and board members, I would like to say a huge thanks for your support of our mahi with youth and adult users and victims of violence. Kind regards and thanks again." <http://www.stoppingviolencesouthland.co.nz/>

Back to Te Ika a Maui-NI now, many of the following areas were flooded and suffered cyclone damage. Digital Wings has been busy replacing equipment for charities and marae who lost tech equipment.

Waikato-Coromandel – 62 charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings

Bay of Plenty-Tairāwhiti-Gisborne – 58 charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings

Manawatū-Hawkes Bay-Whanganui– 108 charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings

#### MOTEO MARAE COMMITTEE CYCLONE GABRIELLE FLOOD REPORT

*"I wish to advise that Moteo B2G2 Reserve Charitable Trust has been drastically affected by Cyclone Gabrielle and have lost the majority of our items, including the Computer Equipment and I-Phones from Digital Wings, as well as my own personal laptop. We were unable to save any office equipment and are not in a position to claim any insurance for this disaster. It will take us more than 12months to rebuild and get us back on track. Meanwhile we are unable to hold any wananga or provide cultural services to our Marae whanau, community, or corporate sector, and will be spending the next few months applying for funding from government agencies to help us replace everything.*

*I took photos of the mud/silt coated equipment that I could find. Most items were taken away in the floods and dumped a few kilometres away. Firstly Covid-19 affected us and now Cyclone Gabrielle. Both have drastically reduced any achievable outcomes and limited any further progress. Moteo Marae wishes to thank the corporate donors for the equipment provided.*

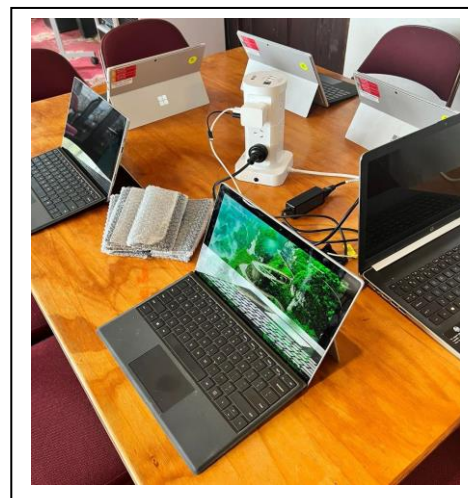
*Unfortunately, they are now covered in mud and silt and are deemed unusable. The Trustees will remain strong and diligent while we move into recovery mode."* <https://moteomarae.nz/>



#### TOLAGA BAY TECH HUB



Tolaga Bay Community Trust has been one of the charities we have supported over the years as it has developed from a fledgling concept in 2016 with 4 desktops to an award-winning entity in 2022 for innovation in local business and enterprise. Their Digital Wings hubs foster from tamariki to kaumatua levels of education, employment, enterprise and social work.



[https://thespinoff.co.nz/business/15-01-2021/tolaga-bay-businesses-](https://thespinoff.co.nz/business/15-01-2021/tolaga-bay-businesses-are-innovating-beyond-brick-mortar-and-distance)

[are-innovating-beyond-brick-mortar-and-distance](https://thespinoff.co.nz/business/15-01-2021/tolaga-bay-businesses-are-innovating-beyond-brick-mortar-and-distance)

#### THE CAMPUS CRECHE TRUST – Waikato

*"I am writing to update you and thank you for the donation of the six laptops to Campus Creche Trust. These laptops have been an immense support for an organisation struggling in the current education climate. We provide education and care to over 150 families in the Waikato area, and a considerable part of our role is the documentation of children's learning. The laptops we had been using were outdated and slow; many of them could not carry out their basic function. With financial constraints and other priorities, staff were laboriously tapping away while becoming increasingly frustrated. The new laptops have helped to support the mental health of kaiako while undertaking their assessment responsibilities and have increased efficiency considerably. IT equipment is expensive, and with the other overhead costs that our charitable organisation has to meet, replacing many of these laptops would not have been able to happen through other means. We are all deeply grateful for the donation of the devices and applaud Digital Wings for their work in recycling e-waste and supporting organisations like ours to have the technology they need to operate in a digital climate. Thanks again, Campus Creche Management Team"* <https://www.campuscreche.co.nz/>

## TE HAPORI HŌIHO – National Māori Horse Association Aotearoa



Te Hapori Hōiho foster and promote the development of Te Reo and Tikanga Māori in relationship to Māori horse culture; advance opportunities and standards of horse riding and management by hosting events, wānanga, creating resources, linking whānau with expert knowledge and creating qualifications and programmes for sport development across all fields of horsemanship. They create connections between whānau/families, hapu and iwi that have an interest in Māori horse culture; promote opportunities for employment via all forms of Māori equine activities; support development and protection of bloodstock lines both wild and domestic, equine management, health, and welfare.

*“Digital Wings donations contributed to these goals for our*

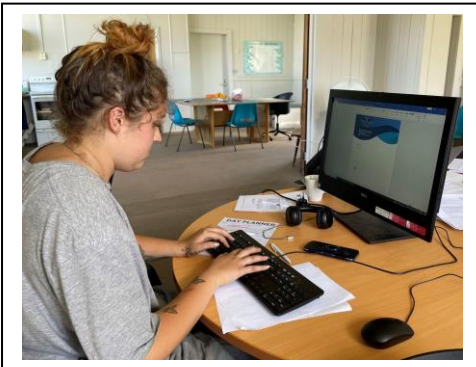
*remote board members (Tōrere, Raetihi, Rūātoki) as an iPhone and tablet helps them tremendously to keep in touch and enable Zoom meetings. They need them for communicating within the team, at support events and making various calls to other groups that need our support. As secretary, a laptop makes my job easier in terms of recording and communication with the board, for administration, communication by email and video messaging. During events, communication is key as some of our members live remotely and our iPads are for members who have limited access to a computer. These people either go to the neighbours or to the house of whānau. This will enable them to keep in touch with our FB and Messenger page, emails and zoom/video messaging.”*

Community connections are important in the charity sector for building trust and networks. People express relief when they hear it is someone known to them.

Tommy Waara of Te Hapori Hōiho and Di Daniels of Digital Wings, are connected through Kaimanawa Wild Horses. <https://www.tehaporihoiho.org/> Tom watches as Di rides his Kaimanawa, Te One



## TE RUNANGA O NGĀTI POROU KI HAURAKI, AHI KAA TRUST & HARATAUNGA MARAE

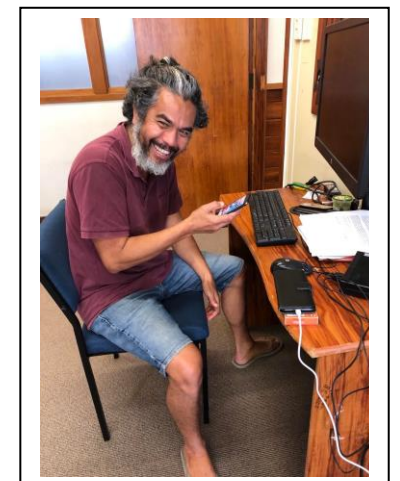


*“Harataunga also known as Kennedy Bay is an isolated, rural largely Māori populated settlement, 14km over the hill on the east coast of Coromandel, supporting capability of iwi, hapū & Māori organisations. We found out about Digital Wings by word of mouth, Jean Nankivell from Bennydale, who was an exceptional person and community networker. Sadly, we lost Jean early in 2022. May she RIP. Having computers has helped us become more organised, work more efficiently and accomplish many tasks. Ngāti Porou ki Hauraki key initiatives in the last two years has been supported by Digital Wings generosity, providing us with the necessary technological tools and equipment and also our partners, Harataunga Marae and Te Ahi Kaa – Training and Social Services. Resources provided to our community*

*include computers, laptops, iPhones and access to skinny jump. This has hugely impacted efficiencies when providing Māori services in our rohe. Building capability in management, leadership, resilience, planning, implementation and therefore the overall ability to scale when needed, including ‘soft’ and hard infrastructure has*

*been made possible through key relationship with Digital Wings. Having the ability of an 0800 number due to now having phones, is a small but significant example of what these resources have meant. Sharing resources across Māori organisations, to allow them to scale up for greater impact is progress.”*

<https://www.npkhrunanga.com/>



## WANGANUI ENTERPRISES TRUST

*"Thank you for your kind donation of a few years ago. Two are in our staff training area, where they are used by staff to maintain their skills and as the inhouse computer hub that staff use when appropriate, the third is used by our accounts and finance staff as a transportable off-site computer to aid us at sales events such as field days and employment expos run by MSD. All three are still in day-to-day use and do not need to be recycled at this time [and we welcome the 4 new laptops]. Wanganui Enterprises is not a normal charity, it moves people with disabilities and specific health needs through a variety of experiences towards a real job working for real pay. The computers are used to support two main programmes: SSOW - Safe Systems of Work have been documented, implemented and rolled out to the entire staff. All new employees undertake the training as part of their induction. And BE Ready – delivery was completed in 2021 but was disrupted in 2022 due to the Omicron outbreak [when we became a vaccine centre as well]. The outcomes of the Be Ready Course have been pleasing with all 7 recruits to the programme completing the full course, with several of them moving from the course into employment. The second course of 2023 of is currently underway."* <https://fivestar.org.nz/>



## BIRTHRIGHT HAWKES BAY

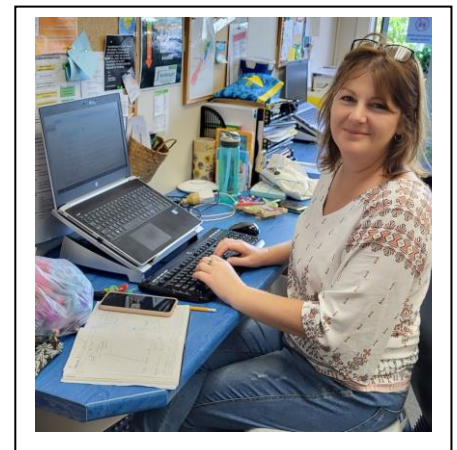


*"Thank you for helping us with laptops. They are all used daily to access our documentation needed to run our centre."- Snr Teacher.*  
*"The laptops also help with our annual Toy Run and allow us to communicate with our whānau and colleagues; we could not do our jobs without them." – Office Manager*

*"The teachers at Swinburn use their laptops daily to create learning stories for the children and the joy that brings them is priceless I am very grateful to Digital Wings for helping our families. It has made a big difference for us."*

– ECE Manager

*"I'm so grateful to have a laptop as one of the tools in my kete. It is invaluable for me to take with me and see clients. It means we can log in and check they are getting all their entitlements. Clients can log into their banks to check exactly what their payments are. These things are vital for an accurate budget and to support them with advocacy. A lot of my clients only have a cell phone so a laptop allows them to access their information in way they can actually see it! We have been able to process personal tax summaries and apply for power dividends which are only processed online annually. I have shown them the sorted.org budgeting too and it's very empowering for clients to build their own financial capability."* – Financial Mentor <https://www.birthrighthb.org.nz/>



## RANGIWAHIA ENVIRONMENTAL ARTS CENTRE – Kimbolton

*"The Board and Membership of Rangiwahia Environmental Arts Centre Trust would like to extend thanks for the donation of computers for the Centre. It has made a huge difference to the connectivity of the diverse membership. The centre users have a much better experience with newer more familiar technology. The benefits were amplified during the Pandemic and subsequent lockdowns where remote working and separation became the norm. We were able to host online workshops and record programmes which were used by the Ministry of Education for students isolating at home. We thank you for your support and aiding us with our sustainable goals by provision of repurposed hardware. Many thanks, REACT Executive committee"* <https://www.rangienviroartscentre.org/>

## MANCHESTER HOUSE SOCIAL SERVICES – Feilding

Thank you so very much for your recent donation of 5 iPhones. You will appreciate that, as a non-for-profit organisation it is incredibly difficult to find funding for items such as this, so we are very grateful for your support. With the current rise in cost of living impacting so negatively on many, and the recent weather events now causing huge anxiety and stress for those affected, we are seeing quite a number of individuals and families coming in who are experiencing many types of issues and problems. Again, thank you so very much for your donation of these iPhones and your support of our organisation and community.” <https://manchesterhouse.co.nz/>

## Whanganui-a-Tara-Wellington – 80 charities receive your technology gifts via Digital Wings including Porirua, Kāpiti, Hutt Valley & Wairarapa

### KĀPITI MENZSHED & ŌTAKI MENZSHEDS



Digital Wings supports several MenzSheds in the region, including Masterton and Whanganui. Community outreach making kanohi-ki-te-kanohi contact is important for Digital Wings. In 2022 I visited two of them on the Kāpiti Coast, both led by a few tech-geek members who were keen to get more men involved in the digital age as well as their purpose of promoting health and wellbeing in retired and older men. *“Our shed is a place to socialise with like-minded men, to practice old skills, learn new ones, share know-how, pursue new hobbies, enjoy company and give back to the community. We are looking at potential developments in our IT programmes for 2023 this morning. We now have another couple of useful IT savvy members interested in working with Roger to extend our support for members.”* Even change from within can be a challenge when members are fixed on a tools-only mindset and do not see technology as part of that toolkit. These men’s sheds make rat and possum traps for pest eradication groups, build dog kennels, take on community builds like steps and cabinets for other charities, and to raise funds they accept private restoration projects. Otaki’s project list:

- Build obstacle course for a council dog exercise area. Build milk crates.*
- Finish building and refurbish large doll’s house.*
- Repair (re-string) musical bells. Re-rig and repair large model sailing ship.*
- Refurbish two donkey traps. One for show and one to be used.*
- Equip electrician’s vans with storage drawers.*
- Design and make display cabinets for library spaces.*
- Manufacture paint storage racks and paint mixing bench for local company. Refurbish wrought iron garden chairs.*
- Manufacture several picnic tables. Installed many emergency water tanks. Repair dozens of chairs and many tables.*
- Install safety rails next to stairways for elderly folk.*

<https://menzshedkapiti.org.nz/>

<https://www.facebook.com/otakimenzshed/>

**Collectively MenzSheds have received 13 laptops, 7 desktops & 1 printer.**

This has enabled office admin, newsletters, contact with members, setting up websites and Facebook pages, funding and purchasing, using Trademe etc.

**Given our commitment to Rangatahi Development it makes sense to begin with Crescendo Youth and finish our report with ZEAL Youth.**



## ZEAL YOUTH TRUST – Kāpiti Wgtn Auckland Hamilton Taranaki

ZEAL is another organisation helped by Digital Wings to upgrade staff devices to enable them to better deliver their services and programmes to youth, either at their centres or onsite at schools. "Each Zeal youth centre has an administrator, and programmes coordinator. These two roles require a substantial commitment to stakeholder engagement, content creation, communications and online connection with rangatahi. The 16 devices across our centres for these roles increases capacity for online programmes directly impacting the number of clients reached; reduces time spent, and increases volume of communications with stakeholders, content creation for programmes, venue hire, communications with students and rangatahi, and therefore capacity for face-to-face youth development; increases number of rangatahi referred to Zeal through more external stakeholder engagements and community partnership liaison; allows us to help more rangatahi with homework, job applications, life admin, etc." <https://zeal.nz/>



## THANKS TO ALL OUR DIGITAL WINGS BUSINESS DONORS WHO HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT <https://www.digitalwings.nz/corporates.html>

Westpac	BNZ	Te Wānanga o Aotearoa	Heritage NZ - Pouhere Tāonga	Kāinga Ora
Statistics NZ	Reserve Bank of NZ	Ministry of Transport	Retirement Commission NZ	
TOYOTA NZ	Honda NZ	Oji Fibre Solutions	Xero	RemarkIT Solutions
Scales Group & Mr Apple	Nintex	Yellow	Fronde	Lexis Nexis Tonkin+Taylor
Transpower	Mercury Energy	Contact Energy	Northpower	Trustpower
Orion Group	Top Energy	E Tū Trade Unions	EnergyLink Ltd	Z-Energy UNICEF
Canterbury DHB	Capital Coast & Hutt Valley DHB	BUPA NZ	Pacific Radiology	
Habit Health	Evolution Healthcare	Med Tech Global	Lakeland Clinical Trials	
Syneos Health	The Royal Australasian College of Physicians		Plimmer Steps Medical	
Far North District Council	Whakatane District Council	Taupō District Council	Wairoa District Council	
Ruapehu District Council	Napier City Council	Hastings District Council	Hawkes Bay Regional Council	
Central Hawke's Bay District Council	Horowhenua District Council		Kapiti Coast District Council	
Wellington City Council	WellingtonNZ	Otago Regional Council		
South Port NZ	Port Otago	Alliance Group Ltd	HW Richardson Group	
Education Perfect	MyIT Manager	Environmental Southland	University Bookshop Otago	
Russell McVeagh	WooHoo Group	Robert Half Ltd	Todd Foundation IT Staff	Redbull
Alexander Group	Compac Tomra	Micro Scooters	Outer Dawn	Creative HQ
Miraka	The IT Team	Davis Valuers	Amadeus Travel	Tribal Group
Brett Abercrombie / Private Donors	Tessuti	Bakertilly Staples Rodway	Silverstripe	Your Section NZ GW Office
Charlton-Harcourts-Auck		Burnsco		TDX Ltd

## PROJECT PARTNERS

Waste Minimisation Fund	Community Capability Resilience Fund	Lotteries Community Grants
Digital Inclusion Alliance Aotearoa	Te Pūtahitanga o Wai Pounamu	InternetNZ
Spark Business Team & CCL	Ariki Creative	MoE



Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa  
Di Daniels MNZM, Programme Director Digital Wings Trust, 31 March 2023