

## Update on Philanthropy New Zealand activity

July 2022 – October 2022

### Purpose of the document

This document provides members of Philanthropy New Zealand | Tōpūtanga Tuku Aroha o Aotearoa, with a summary of key activity over the past few months. We produce an update four times a year, after Board meetings.

We welcome membership feedback on our activity, as we evolve our membership services.

### Strategic context for activity

Philanthropy New Zealand's [purpose](#) is to grow effective giving through:

- Supporting better giving
- Inspiring more giving
- Building a stronger sector

### Supporting better giving

#### Grantmaking training

Registrations for our grantmaking programme Funding Fundamentals exceeded expectation. Ten modules were delivered as webinars, with additional resources, reflection questions and learning activities for self-study provided. The modules have also been supported by an opt-in learning community. A face-to-face workshop is being offered to participants enrolled in the full course on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Funder networks

In July we held an online Youth Funders' Network meeting featuring panel discussion with two guest youth funders interviewed by co-chairs Jenn Chowaniec and Lani Evans.

A face-to-face Auckland Funders' Network was held in August. This was hosted by co-chair Lorraine Mentz and facilitated by Nicola Brehaut of Foundation North.

The third network meeting for the Climate Action Funders Network was held in August and valuable learnings were shared from the Waiheke Marine Project (funded by Foundation North) around working in partnership with Māori and taking a systems change approach in an important climate and environmental project. This project has since created a profile in Match and attracted wider interest from the climate funder network.

In September PNZ convened Wellington-based funders to have a wānanga at Waiwhetū Marae to support the sector's relationship with Te Āti Awa.

On November 2-3 PNZ is holding a funder gathering in Auckland. This will include sessions for arts, youth, Ki te Hoe, family philanthropy, climate action and education. We are looking forward to bringing together our funder members face-to-face for the first time in a while to mingle and connect alongside the sessions on offer.

### **Ki te Hoe**

We have confirmed the dates for the first two marae-based wānanga for this series: February 16th-19th, June 18th-20th and October (date tbc) 2023.

Its purpose is to support leaders to understand, engage with and support Māori aspirations to build the Aotearoa of the future. We encourage trustees, family members and managers of philanthropic funders to email [info@philanthropy.org.nz](mailto:info@philanthropy.org.nz) for further information.

The [wānanga series](#) supports the [Ki te Hoe Capability Development framework](#). Ki te Hoe is a partnership between Tūmanako Consultants (Haimona Waititi and Kate Frykberg) and PNZ.

### **Philanthropy Conference 2023**

Our Philanthropy New Zealand Conference will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2023 at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington. The conference brings together our funder members and offers both professional development and networking goals.

We can confirm that the theme of this conference will be "Uniquely Aotearoa." This is a celebratory theme where we can have pride in the many unique aspects of our country and take a strengths-based approach to thoughtfully evolving philanthropy and grantmaking to contribute to nation building.

## **Building a stronger sector**

### **Philanthropy and Government forum**

The August Philanthropy and Government Forum received updates on the Government's social cohesion framework and social sector commissioning workstreams. Both teams are due to update more publicly on their progress in the near future. The PNZ funder session in the morning also heard the perspective of Fiona Cassidy, Executive Director at the Office of the Children's Commissioner about changes at Oranga Tamariki and the recent passing of the Oversight Bill.

## Trusts Act

We have continued to engage with members around the restrictions in the Trusts Act 2020 Section 67(2)(a) which impacts the ability of grantmakers to delegate functions that relate to distributions of Trust property. A seminar session was held with Phillipa Wilkie from Chapman Tripp and Chris Kelly (Trusts law expert) around the wording and implications of the wording of the Act for grantmakers. Further feedback was then sought from our members for input into the final letter that Chapman Tripp has sent to the Ministry of Justice and relevant Ministers asking for an amendment to the Act to be progressed.

## Inspiring more giving

### Match | Te Puna Taurite

Match | Te Puna Taurite is available for any funder or registered charity wanting to join. We have had positive feedback from both funders and fundseekers on the service so far. The momentum is gaining and the team is excited about the contribution this service can make to an equitable, accessible and collaborative funding system.

Match | Te Puna Taurite aims to more easily connect those with funds to those that seek them. The vision is a more equitable, accessible and collaborative funding system.

You can read more about it on [www.match.org.nz](http://www.match.org.nz) and get your organisation signed up! We thank [financial supporters](#) of this initiative especially those providing seed funding for the next three years highlighted below.

Premier funder:



Hero funders:



Supporting funders:



## **Communications and marketing**

We published a Pasifika themed edition of Philanthropy News. This edition was led by the Pasifika Funders' Network with support from PNZ and distributed to our membership as well publicly due to the important of showcasing the work of the network more widely. Our next edition will be on grantmaking practices.

Social media likes and follows across Philanthropy New Zealand and Match | Te Puna Taurite Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram accounts continue to grow as we reach more people with our messages about the value of giving.

We co-hosted an event with Bloomsbury at Parliament on October 19th to celebrate giving. Nicola Willis was the hosting Parliamentarian.

## **Operationally**

We welcomed Anika Speedy to the team in July as the Match | Te Puna Taurite Manager as well as Yvonne Morrison as our new accountant.

**Thank you to all of our members, supporters and wider stakeholders as we near the last few months of 2022. We love connecting with and championing your work. We are looking forward to our in-person December AGM where we hope to see you there.**