



A plan for sustainable funding

Fundraising is just plain hard work. There are so many deserving charities out there – all competing for the same charitable dollar. But – there are only so many raffles, events and appeals the public can handle and an organisation such as Hospice Tairawhiti can physically resource.



Shop Manger Brenda Kinder (left) and Volunteer Co-ordinator Heidi Stander (right)

Solution? ... the Hospice Shop

In an effort to provide a sustainable funding source for our Hospice, the Board have decided to follow in the footsteps of most other hospices throughout New Zealand and open a Hospice Shop. These shops are a major form of fundraising for hospices, with many saying they simply could not provide their services without the income from these little gems.

Hospice Shop Tairawhiti will not be a traditional 'opportunity shop'. An 'op shop' is primarily set up to support those in need. Generally the price on donated items is low and directed towards helping those in need. As a 'charity shop', we are set up specifically to raise funds for hospice. To do this, we will be seeking the best return from any donated item . . . and the benefits are three-fold.

For our Hospice

- A sustainable funding source ensuring we are able to continue to provide our current level of service free of charge to those in need.
- The potential to develop and run additional services and/or extend current services for patients and families.
- Reduced reliance on traditional forms of fundraising.
- Hospice will become more visible in the community, which in turn encourages people to give in other ways.

This year it will cost \$500,000 to run Hospice Tairawhiti, but less than 60% of that will be funded by government.

For our donors

- A place to gift their unwanted items, knowing their donation is valued, will be sold for a realistic price, and the money raised will directly benefit the Hospice and the local community.

For our shoppers

- The ability to purchase good quality second hand items at a reasonable price. This is of particular assistance to those on low incomes, those who see the environmental and ethical benefits of reuse of goods, and those who just like to get a bargain.

We will officially be accepting donated items from October 1, but if you can't wait that long, feel free to give us a call and we will happily store it.

If you are interested in volunteering to help out in the shop and are able to commit yourself to one regular three to four hour shift a week, give Heidi a call on 869 0552 to register your interest. 🍌

PAMPERED, Pretty and Relaxed

The inaugural EIT Girls Day Out was a resounding success and plans are underway to make it a regular event on our fundraising calendar.

Final figures are still to come but the amount raised will definitely exceed the \$5,000 target.

People queued from 9.15am in the morning to secure one of 200 goodie bags worth over \$50 and the pamper sessions were quickly snapped up. Between pamper session participants could enjoy fitness, dance and cooking demonstrations; a fashion show featuring new season items from several Gisborne retailers; a cafe serving high tea; and a charity auction.

We were overwhelmed with the support for this event and cannot thank those involved enough. Special thanks to



major sponsors EIT Gisborne, Bronwyn Kay Agency, and Three Rivers Medical. 🍌

The gift of volunteering

With busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer. However, the benefits of volunteering are enormous to you, your family, and your community.



Volunteers receive long service certificates at the Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.

Heidi Stander (Volunteer Co-ordinator), Rae Atkins, Meng Foon, Marilyn Baty (Education Co-ordinator) Zillah Smith, Sheila Scott, Judy Smith, Marie Gordon. Absent: Peg Graham and Jean Cottle

At Hospice Tairāwhiti we are privileged to have 84 volunteers registered to assist the Hospice team in a variety of ways. Their motivation for becoming volunteers is as varied as the people themselves.

Many came to offer their help, during a difficult cross roads in their own lives. Many want to give something

back, having watched the loving care accorded a love one through hospice care. Others felt grateful for the bounty of their own life, and wanted to share some of their time and talent with others. Others were simply fed up with being idle, and wanted to re-engage with life in a meaningful way.

Whatever the reason – our volunteers show us that people are fundamentally good and care for others, and want to make a significant difference in their community, whatever their personal circumstances.

Hospice provides a place for such good folk to contribute their gifts of special talents, time, energy, commitment, great ideas, willingness to be part of a team, selflessness, and their determination to make a difference in the lives of others.

This year we had much pleasure in presenting seven of our volunteers with long service awards.

- 5 years – Rae Atkins, Marie Gordon
- 10 years – Judy Smith, Jean Cottle, Peg Graham
- 20 years – Zillah Smith, Sheila Scott

If you would like to discuss how you could volunteer and help Hospice, phone Heidi on 8690552 🍌

Starts & Departs

A big welcome to Dr Sally Murdoch who has recently joined the Hospice Tairawhiti team Sally also works at the Uawa Community Health Clinic in Tolaga Bay. We look forward to working with her.

Sadly it's goodbye to Dr Tony Moyle who recently left the district.

This year we have said farewell to three of our trustees – Fraser Brown, Sandy Armstrong and Bob Twigley.

New trustees Glenda Stokes, Barry Atkinson, and David Ure join existing members June Hall, David McLean and Dr Gillian Haywood to make up the Board of Trustees. 🍁

Getting the fundamentals right

Hospice Tairawhiti has an ongoing commitment to provide education to our community - from speaking to community groups and the general public about the services we offer to providing clinical training to medical professionals and healthcare workers.

The need for palliative care education has never been greater, with the incidence of life limiting illness rising all over the world.

One of the programmes on offer locally is the Hospice NZ Fundamentals of Palliative Care, designed primarily for those working in aged care facilities but also proving very popular with health care workers in the community and hospital. The programme consists of nine two hour long sessions covering The Essence of Care, Ethical Issues, Pain and Symptom Management, Chronic Illness, Dementia, Communication Skills, Last Days of Life, Loss and Grief, and Caring for ourselves.

Education is much more than passing on information. It's about getting people interested and excited about what they are learning, changing attitudes, building skills, introducing new ideas, encouraging diligent practice, drawing on existing knowledge and experience, building relationships, team work and cooperation.

For further information on our education programmes contact marilyn on 869 0552 or email marilyn@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz 🍁

Crafty Fundraising

New patient equipment has been purchased thanks to a donation of nearly \$3,000 from the annual Craft Day, sponsored by AMI.

We have been able to replace our old portable suction unit and an oxygen concentrator and still have a small amount of money left over to spend at our discretion when the need arises. The group also donated a beautiful hand quilted bedspread which will be raffled later in the year. 🍁



Thank You

Thank you to the following groups and individuals who have assisted Hospice Tairawhiti financially this year with grants and donations of over \$500:

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Liz Thompson
J & R Smith
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**The Lions Club
 of Gisborne
 Host**

Hospice Strawberry Festival - Saturday 23 November

Rose Gardens, Fitzherbert Street, 10am to 1pm.

Buy a delicious Strawberry and Ice cream sundae and support Hospice, \$5 per serve.

Kindly sponsored by Pak n Save, MoreFM, and Craigs Investment Partners

Spring Garden Party 2013 Fundraiser - Saturday 28 September

Paul & Kerry Smith's Garden 20 Eade Road, RD2, Patutahi
 2pm - 4pm.

Enjoy a beautiful Country Garden Stroll, afternoon tea supplied, Entertainment, Blind Auction, Raffles etc... tickets \$10 per person. All proceeds to Hospice Tairawhiti. Available from Hospice Office 06 869 0552 and the Lions Club of Gisborne Host 06 927 7196

Sponsors

Hospice Tairawhiti have a number of sponsors who provide ongoing support throughout the year in the way of cash sponsorship, product or services.

We would like to acknowledge and thank them for their continued support.

