## Homes of Hope Newsletter

THE WINTER EDITION 2022

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### Our People

### WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST BOARD MEMBER JAMES GRAFAS

Bringing experience and enthusiasm

We warmly welcome our newest Board member to Homes of Hope, James Grafas.

James comes with a wealth of experience in HR and Management, along with governance and serving on a number of commercial boards.

He is enthusiastic about joining Homes of Hope, and is looking forward to supporting Homes of Hope and the positive impact that we have on tamariki.



#### **CELEBRATIONS AND FAREWELL**

Last month we celebrated Aunty Perry who has been with Homes of Hope an impressive 18 years. Sadly for us, it also marked Aunty Perry's last day at Homes of Hope. She has made the difficult decision to embark on the next part of her journey. Aunty Perry has been such an integral part of the Homes of Hope whānau and has touched the lives of an incredible amount of tamariki and Homes of Hope team members over the years. Our tamariki did an outstanding job of farewelling her at her poroporaki (farewell) and again at the end of her final day where they stood at Matai and each said one thing they are thankful to her for before sending her off with a haka in the backyard. Aunty Perry, we wish you well, we honour you and we will be forever grateful for your loyal service to Homes of Hope and the tamariki of Tauranga Moana and the surrounding areas. Go well, enjoy your sleep-ins and come and visit us soon!



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### Our Mahi

#### TAMARIKI UPDATES

Matariki and Winter Sports

It's been a busy couple of months for the tamariki in Rata Whare, with our tamariki excelling and representing their respective schools in Rippa Rugby, Rugby, Basketball, Cross Country and Ultimate Running. They have also been learning about Matariki, the stories, and gazing into the night sky which has allowed a reimagining of self, learning and growing from the uncertainty they have left and focusing on the possibilities that lie in their futures. With the aroha and manaakitanga of the Homes of Hope team we are seeing stability and growth in leaps and bounds.

"Manawa maiea te putanga o Matariki, Manawa maiea te Ariki o te Rangi, Manawa maiea te matahi o te tau"

Hail the rise of Matariki, Hail the lord of the sky, Hail the New Year. (Our morning karakia for the month)

We would like to thank Voyce for sending our tamariki their very own Matariki Packs to help with their learning celebrations about Matariki.



#### WATCH THIS SPACE.....

We have some exciting things on the horizon here at Homes of Hope.

This year saw us move to a new office which allows us to grow our services to the community. Currently we are upgrading our old office, Kereru.

Massive thanks needs to go to Creative Kitchens and Interiors, who have been beyond generous with supporting this upgrade.

Keep an eye out in future newsletters for more updates as they are available!

#### **OUR MANAGERS DARE TO LEAD**

Robyn Walker (Business Manager) and Carena Grant (Practice Manager) flew to Ōtautahi (Christchurch) in May to complete a three-day Dare to Lead training. The Dare to Lead course is based on Brené Brown's book of the same title.

They learned about courageous leadership, building courage in teams and organisations, and cultivating a culture in which brave work, tough conversations, and whole hearts are the expectation.

They both came back feeling inspired and excited to share their insights and learning with our wider team. We will be having a team-building day in the next few months in which Robyn and Carena will teach us some of the key tools they learnt that will support us to continue to grow as a strong team with a brave culture.





### Our Community



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#### **BAYTRUST SUPPORTING HOMES OF HOPE**

BayTrust have long been supporting Homes of Hope, and recently have generously provided funds for us to continue our mahi. We are extremely grateful and wish to extend our thanks for the repeated and ongoing support from BayTrust.



#### TAXGIFT - THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

#### **EMILY WOOLERTON FROM CALICO IS A GEM!**

As Emily said "we're passionate about creating better communities, both through functional design and by rolling up the sleeves to offer practical help. That's why we support Homes of Hope, as they come alongside and offer wrap-around care for our most vulnerable children. The impact this support will have in each child's life is astronomical, for the children themselves and the ripple effect throughout their communities. We love being a part of the story." Thanks Emily for your support!

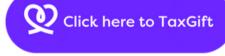
TaxGift lets you donate your tax refund from any donations to Homes of Hope, in just one easy step. If you are an individual New Zealand tax resident who has received taxable income in the current financial year, then you are entitled to a rebate of up to 33% on each donation you've made to Homes of Hope.

For example, take a look at the below image, for every \$100 dollars you have donated (or will donate) to us, we will receive another \$30 at the end of the first year. What's more, this \$30 is considered a further gift of money meaning that around \$10 is claimable the following year and so on!

After three years, your \$100 donation could be worth up to \$143.13! It mightn't sound like a lot by itself, but it collectively would make a huge difference for us in realising our goals.

It's one simple opt-in, then you will be a TaxGift donor for us going forward, it's that easy!









E tū Kahikatea, hei wakapae ururoa Awhi mai, awhi atu, tātou, tātou e Kahikatea stand together, their roots intertwine, strengthening each other We all help one another and together we will be strong