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Foundation North

Our new name

Welcome to our Storyboard.

Since forming in 1988, we've granted almost \$900 million to our Auckland and Northland communities, under a naming rights agreement with ASB Bank that ended last year. The name "Foundation North" honours the region we serve – the North of New Zealand – and the solid Foundation of trust funds, endowed and invested in perpetuity, that support our grants.

Foundation North's koru symbol remains, representing life and growth, and familiar to many who have known our commitment to community groups and the relationships we have supported over the last 27 years.

A record 764 community organisations received \$36 million in grants over the past year, helping them play vital roles in our lives and communities under the strategic funding priorities of People, Places and Participation.

We may have changed our name, but we're still your organisation supporting all the good work that is being done to make Auckland and Northland where people, places and participation thrive and flourish.

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CEO's welcome

Jennifer Gill



Welcome to our annual review. It's a reflection of a year in the life of our region, told through some of the stories behind our grants.

It puts a face to just a few of the people and organisations who help make our communities hum.

These stories are at the heart of Foundation North as the community trust for Auckland and Northland. We make grants to hundreds of organisations each year. We know that behind every grant there are people who have joined together to make a contribution. These are people who plant trees, organise festivals, run sports clubs, create opportunities for children to learn about their world, and find solutions to some of our most pressing social problems.

Our grants both support what you do, and acknowledge what you contribute.

Thank you.

Our funding approach

Our approach to grant making builds on our past successes and incorporates best practice from within New Zealand and around the world.

Foundation North trustees carefully consider how funding can best serve diverse needs. This means our support ranges from a quick response grant for a community group in need of a prompt decision, to working in partnership with a key organisation on a large project central to the region.

Targeted funds also support innovative projects and practices aimed to create significant positive change over years, and we have a real commitment to Māori and Pacific strategies to find innovative solutions to complex social issues.

<p>Community Support Grants <i>(Quick Response Grants)</i> \$5,456,600 <i>(Over 20k)</i> \$18,176,300</p>	
<p>People <i>(Quick Response Grants)</i> \$2,423,600 <i>(Over 20k)</i> \$5,155,900</p>	
<p>Places <i>(Quick Response Grants)</i> \$726,900 <i>(Over 20k)</i> \$8,554,900</p>	
<p>Participation <i>(Quick Response Grants)</i> \$2,306,100 <i>(Over 20k)</i> \$4,465,500</p>	
<p>Key Community Partnerships \$6,972,103</p>	
<p>Catalysts for Change \$4,918,469</p>	
<p>Iconic & Innovative Projects \$1,300,000</p>	
<p>Total \$36,823,472</p>	



Community Support Grants

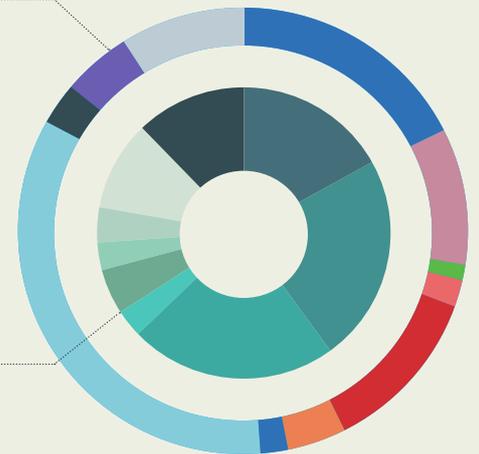
We provide general grants to community organisations through our Community Support Grants programme.

The intention of these grants is to respond to the needs of the Auckland and Northland communities within three areas: People, Places and Participation.

Groups are invited to apply for different levels of funding, such as a Quick Response Grant of under \$20,000 or grants of more than \$20,000, with funding criteria making it clear what we are able to help with.

Location	Applications	Approved
Auckland	166	\$4,261,900
Far North	68	\$2,249,300
Franklin	16	\$145,200
Kaipara	19	\$432,200
Manukau	77	\$2,918,200
North Shore	43	\$930,400
Papakura	8	\$420,200
Regional	187	\$8,145,500
Rodney	34	\$789,300
Waitakere	58	\$1,183,900
Whangarei	63	\$2,156,800
Total	739	\$23,632,900

Sector	Application	Approved
Arts & Culture	169	\$4,032,800
Community Building Projects	37	\$5,478,900
Community Wellbeing	182	\$5,439,300
Environment	25	\$766,400
Health	45	\$1,171,500
Heritage	27	\$668,500
Learning	106	\$961,300
Marae	17	\$2,368,000
Recreation & Sport	130	\$2,738,800
Youth Health & Dev	1	\$7,400
Total	739	\$23,632,900

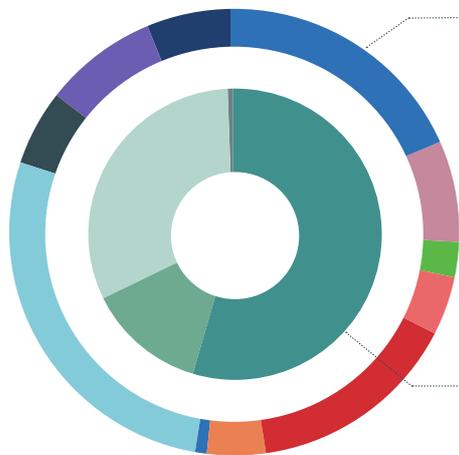




People

Our funding in the People area emphasises support for community organisations working with high-need communities. People grants also aim to support strengths-based programmes that focus on positive outcomes for children, young people and their families.

Foundation North prioritises programmes that will build positive outcomes for high-need communities in our region.



Location	Applications	Approved
Auckland	63	\$1,087,600
Far North	24	\$241,000
Franklin	8	\$74,800
Kaipara	14	\$154,900
Manukau	50	\$989,900
North Shore	14	\$232,100
Papakura	3	\$32,700
Regional	92	\$3,267,700
Rodney	18	\$326,300
Waitakere	28	\$723,700
Whangarei	20	\$448,800
Total	334	\$7,579,500

Sector	Application	Approved
Community Wellbeing	182	\$5,439,300
Health	45	\$1,171,500
Learning	106	\$961,300
Youth Health & Dev	1	\$7,400
Total	334	\$7,579,500

WanderSearch



People who wander due to brain injury, illness or cognitive issues needn't be lost again thanks to a clever invention.

The WanderSearch Auckland Charitable Trust has come up with a tracking device which is worn by the person with the impairment that emits a pulse using a specific frequency. The pulse is detected using a Radio Tracking Receiver and a Directional Finding Aerial.

“The benefits of the WanderSearch Tracking System is that it gives peace of mind to the families and helps to reduce the stress on the wanderer. It also reduces the amount of resources required by Police Search and Rescue when searching for the missing person.”

Delanie Halton, Co-ordinator

The Foundation’s grant supports the co-ordinator’s role. “The funding has allowed us to concentrate on growing the programme so that people living with a cognitive impairment who have the potential to wander can be assisted in a timely manner.”

We're proud to say...



“Since 2009, the WanderSearch programme has been able to assist in excess of 600 families who have loved ones with cognitive illness and the potential to wander in the greater Auckland area.”
Co-ordinator Delanie Halton

\$10,000
provided towards
operating costs



High Tech Youth Network



High Tech Youth Network helps underserved communities increase their digital knowledge.

Their programme in Otago was initially funded under the Foundation's Māori and Pacific Education Initiative. Free after school sessions offered children a chance to learn about electronic publishing, photoshop, animation and 3D graphic design.

The programme was such a success that seven studios have now opened around New Zealand as well as in Fiji and Hawaii. "By nurturing a socially and culturally connected learning community, we are able to promote advanced cyber-learning, career and higher learning opportunities and investment into cyber-social enterprising," CEO Mike Usmar says.

"Foundation North made critical investments into the development of HTYN's cyber learning pathway for young people as they enter a studio aged eight and exit towards a career or higher learning."

Mike Usmar, CEO

In 2014, HTYN received \$1.9 million in funding from the Department of Internal Affairs and \$1 million from Microsoft to build a High Tech Youth Academy for high school students to be based at One Tree Hill College. This is due to open 2016.

Meet...



Melissa Marsters Studio 274 producer at High Tech Youth Network. Their innovative work with technology is providing new opportunities in an area that is lacking Māori, Pacific and female youth.

\$40,000
provided towards
operating costs

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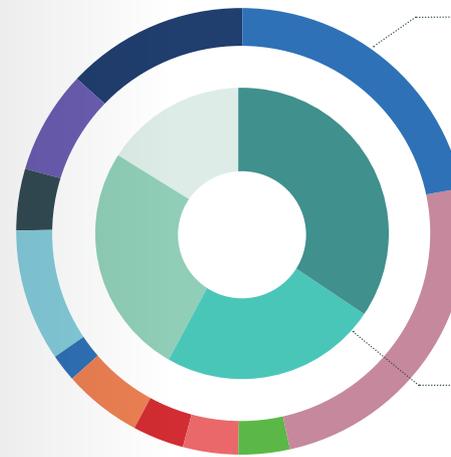


Places

Our Places grants support projects that conserve, preserve and develop our region's natural and physical environment and cultural heritage.

These projects can include the creation of wildlife habitats, to preserving the region's history, marae development or building projects that improve community cohesion and participation.

Our Places grants help ensure our region is a great place to live.



Location	Applications	Approved
Auckland	24	\$2,000,500
Far North	25	\$1,693,400
Franklin	4	\$37,500
Kaipara	4	\$268,300
Manukau	4	\$1,550,000
North Shore	6	\$401,600
Papakura	2	\$359,000
Regional	10	\$1,412,300
Rodney	5	\$333,500
Waitakere	8	\$90,700
Whangarei	14	1,135,000
Total	106	\$9,281,800

Sector	Application	Approved
Community Building Projects	37	\$5,478,900
Environment	25	\$766,400
Heritage	27	\$668,500
Marae	17	\$2,368,000
Total	106	\$9,281,800



Motuora Restoration Society



Motuora is an island reserve that lies east of Mahurangi Heads, north of Auckland. Despite its long history of human occupation and pastoral farming, the focus at Motuora is now on a native ecosystem restoration project to allow endangered New Zealand native birds, lizards, insects and plants to thrive.

This includes a dedicated weed control programme supported by Foundation North funding to eliminate invasive weeds and allow native plants to flourish.

“In the native bush habitat that the Motuora Restoration Society has created our North Island brown kiwi numbers now stand at 50, which is fantastic.”

Kit Brown, Society committee member

“We also have thriving populations of whiteheads (pōpokotea), Little Barrier Island giant weta, shore skinks, and Duvaucels, Pacific and common geckos. Work is now underway to establish colonies of diving petrels, fluttering shearwaters, gannets, and Pycroft’s petrels.”

“Our restoration work on Motuora means it can be enjoyed by anyone who values the diversity New Zealand’s unique plant and animal species.”

Our impact...



Foundation North’s grants since 1998 have supported the Society to transform a weed-infested island into a sanctuary for some of our rarest species.

\$10,400
provided towards programme costs

Papakura & Districts Historical Society



Papakura Military Camp was established in 1939 and remains an important army base for New Zealand. It’s this military history that the Papakura and Districts Historical Society is so passionate about preserving.

The Society and its Museum formed in 1962 and members have been looking after the history of the local area ever since. In 1982 the old Papakura Fire Station became the new home for the Museum but over time work was needed to further upgrade the building. Instead, the Museum moved to the Accent Point Building on Great South Road.

Foundation North’s funding covered a substantial part of the move into their new home and has provided further funding for other projects.

“The generosity of Foundation North’s funding has enabled the museum to highlight and house the military history of Papakura for future generations.”

Kay Thomas, Manager

“This relationship has been really important for the growth and preservation of our local knowledge. The Papakura Historical Society had the vision to collect and preserve Papakura’s history and artefacts. This now forms the basis of Papakura Museum. The Society continues to be the guardians of the district’s history.”

Meet...

Private Norman Garlick, a 20 year old soldier, left for the front line in WWI and ended up contracting meningitis. He’s one of many young Kiwis who sent letters home about their adventures, which are cherished by family members and local residents. A collection of his letters and belongings, including a watercolour and architectural drawing implements, are on display as part of an exhibition that honours soldiers from the Papakura district.

\$59,000
provided towards project costs





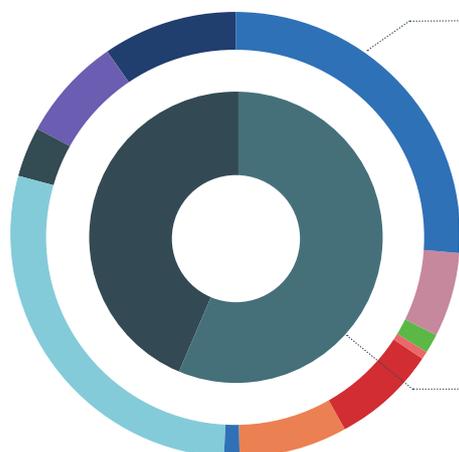
Participation

We aim to encourage and support people to be engaged in our regions' diverse communities through participation in artistic, cultural, recreational and sporting activities.

Participation grants support community organisations to:

- increase participation and engagement in recreation and sport at community, regional and club levels

- support creative projects and organisations that engage more people in the arts
- support projects that recognise and celebrate the diverse cultures of our region.



Location	Applications	Approved
Auckland	79	\$1,173,800
Far North	19	\$314,900
Franklin	4	\$32,900
Kaipara	1	\$9,000
Manukau	23	\$378,300
North Shore	23	\$296,700
Papakura	3	\$28,500
Regional	85	\$3,465,500
Rodney	11	\$129,500
Waitakere	22	\$369,500
Whangarei	29	\$573,000
Total	299	\$6,771,600

Sector	Application	Approved
Arts & Culture	169	\$4,032,800
Recreation & Sport	130	\$2,738,800
Total	299	\$6,771,600



Pasefika Fusion Festival



The growing number of Pacific people living in Northland got the chance to celebrate with a very colourful inaugural Pasefika Fusion Festival this year.

More than 3000 people attended the seaside venue of Hihiaua Peninsula hosted by the organising committee and the Hihiaua Cultural Centre Trust. Organisers were blown away by the attendance.

“Seeing the Pacific Island residents of Whangarei come together to showcase and share their culture, arts and crafts, entertainment and food, while raising the profile of Pacific people in this part of the country was simply amazing,” says Committee Chairman Maualaivao Ueli Sasagi.

“The vibrancy of the event really boosted the mood of the day.”

*Maualaivao Ueli Sasagi,
Committee Chairman*

The Foundation’s funding contributed to a variety of costs such as sound and staging equipment, traffic management outside of the event, as well as koha for professional entertainers and performing groups.

We’re proud to say...



“This is the first Northland Pasefika festival bringing together Māori and Pacific communities to celebrate their cultures and historical links.” *Committee Chairman Maualaivao Ueli Sasagi*

\$15,000
provided towards
operating costs

MIXIT



Refugee youth in Auckland are getting the chance to “mix it up” thanks to a creative programme designed especially for migrant and local young people.

Aimed at 13 – 25 year olds, Mixit is a project that uses dance, drama and music to build confidence and communication while establishing new connections. Based at the Corban Arts Centre in Henderson where they run free weekly workshops throughout the year, they also perform and participate in festivals and have a massive following.

“The difference between when these kids first arrive to a few weeks later is amazing,” Manager Wendy Preston says.

“As we see their confidence grow as rising leaders within the community, we know we’ve done our job.”

Wendy Preston, Manager

The Foundation’s funding contributes to core operational and programme costs enabling the Mixit Trust to provide free weekly workshops, mentored leadership training and access for all activities. “The goal is to support the core life skills individuals need to successfully navigate integration into culturally unfamiliar New Zealand communities.”

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Meet...

Tawanda Manyimo the Mixit Project Manager - who also regularly performs alongside and in support of the participants. A migrant artist bringing young people together through creativity.

\$50,000 provided towards operating and programme costs



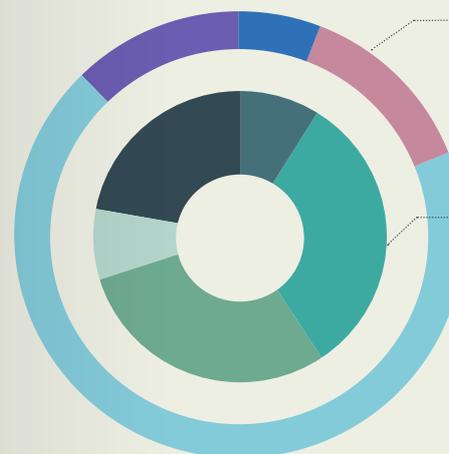
Key Community Partnerships

Our Key Community Partnerships (KCP) Programme is about working alongside organisations that have a shared vision of positive outcomes for our communities.

These are organisations that the Foundation has previously funded, where leaders have demonstrated a strong working relationship and willingness to reflect on their own business and evaluation practices.

The organisation’s programmes or services must align with one or more of the funding policy areas of People, Places or Participation.

Our Centre for Social Impact provides tailored support to identified grantees for capacity building and capability support, identifying and sharing learnings or planning for future sustainability.



Location	Applications	Approved
Auckland	5	\$422,103
Far North	2	\$900,000
Regional	11	\$4,800,000
Waitakere	2	\$850,000
Total	20	\$6,972,103

Sector	Application	Approved
Arts & Culture	6	\$627,103
Community Wellbeing	6	\$2,265,000
Health	1	\$2,000,000
Learning	1	\$525,000
Recreation & Sport	6	\$1,555,000
Total	20	\$6,972,103



Ākina Foundation



Ākina Foundation is fast becoming synonymous with growing social enterprise across New Zealand. The independent not-for-profit organisation has national reach and focuses on supporting the development of start-up social enterprises and the growth of existing social enterprises as well as aspiring social entrepreneurs.

A recent project has seen them partner with the Far North District Council to run a capability building programme for change-makers who have social enterprise ideas to transform their local communities.

Far North Thrive was an intensive four-month programme run from April to July 2015. Through a series of face-to-face workshops, participants learnt an array of skills enabling them to start up a social enterprise.

“The support of Foundation North funding enables Ākina to deliver programmes across the Northland and Auckland regions, supporting aspiring social entrepreneurs to learn the skills needed to develop successful social enterprises and to help existing social enterprises grow their impact,” CEO Alex Hannant says.

We're proud to say...



“The outcomes sought from Far North Thrive are centred around growing a thriving, innovative, and sustainable social enterprise sector in Northland.”

Alex Hannant, CEO

“Ākina is able to increase confidence, capability and connectedness within their local emerging social enterprise network.”

CEO Alex Hannant

\$375,000
is being provided towards operating costs over a three year period

Auckland Arts Festival



Putting on a festival that celebrates the diversity of 1.4 million people is no easy feat. The Auckland Festival Trust has achieved this and created a globally recognised event.

The Auckland Arts Festival contributes to the city’s reputation as a vital arts and cultural centre, provides significant social and economic benefits to the region, and promotes Auckland as a great place to live.

The showcase of theatre, dance, music and visual arts, offering unique experiences for audiences and artists, is one of Foundation North’s Key Community Partnerships.

“The support of Foundation North has played a key role in growing the Auckland Arts Festival into an accessible and wide-reaching event,” CEO David Inns says.

“Foundation North’s support has enhanced and strengthened our education and community programmes, and supported the development and presentation of a strong New Zealand work programme.”

David Inns, CEO

This year the festival saw more than 900 artists from 33 countries deliver 145 ticketed performances and 208 free exhibitions and events in 86 locations across the city.

Meet...

Carla van Zon, Artistic Director of Auckland Arts Festival since 2011. She is passionate about facilitating artistic and cultural exchange, believing it’s the very best way for people to gain greater understanding and compassion for each other.



\$250,000
provided towards programme costs

He Iwi Kotahi Tatou



He Iwi Kotahi Tatou Trust know their community of Moerewa well.

A group of community members including kuia and kaumātua came together nearly 30 years ago to focus on youth which evolved into a journey of addressing needs of their community by offering counselling, whānau support, drug and alcohol addiction support and school programmes.

The vision didn't stop there with the Trust taking on the development of arts and crafts, services for the Far North township and a recreation area for youth. The group also developed a skateboard park, gallery and a café. He Iwi also work with the Energy Efficiency Conservation Authority to help insulate homes for families in need.

“The Key Community Partnership Funding from Foundation North has been critical in supporting He Iwi Kotahi Tatou Trust to employ the right people for our Pou Herenga Tangata mahi.”

Albert Cash, Manager

“Our waka kaupapa is developing and enhances noho marae throughout the rohe, and we are excited about developing our Waka Evaluation Framework.”



Our impact...

Foundation North, together with the Centre for Social Impact, is providing He Iwi with not only capability and capacity building of their team, but are supporting the group to create culturally appropriate learning environments.

\$300,000
is being provided towards operating costs over a three year period

Auckland Cricket



Auckland Cricket’s “Club is the Hub” programme is not only about growing the game but also a strategic model of good governance.

The regional sporting organisation is responsible for the administration, promotion and advancement of the game including coaching courses and development programmes. They work alongside club and secondary school cricket, and boast elite teams as well as a range of age group representative teams that compete in national competitions.

Foundation North’s funding ensures Auckland Cricket’s programmes are sustainable and successful enough to support its 17,321 participants of all ages and to help that figure grow.

“The Club is the Hub programme is something that we are immensely proud of;” says CEO Mark Cameron. “It assists our clubs in being run professionally and ensures they have sustainable structures to support the wonderful volunteer network that keeps club cricket strong.”

“Being one of the Foundation’s Key Community Partnerships is essential to our future pathways.”

Mark Cameron, CEO

We’re proud to say...



“The funding that Foundation North provide is instrumental in helping our clubs provide cricketing opportunities for kids and adults of all ages.”
CEO Mark Cameron

\$600,000
is being provided towards operating costs over a three year period

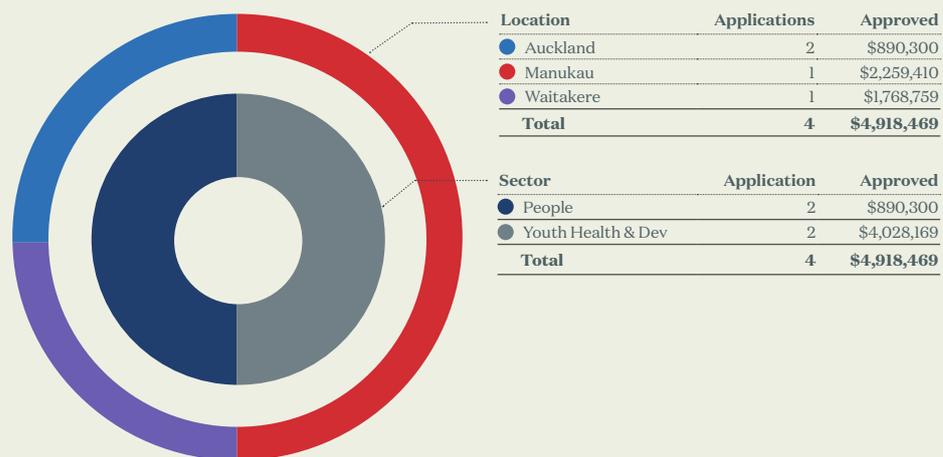


Catalysts for Change

Our Catalysts for Change (C4C) funding programme seeks to create significant positive changes in our communities by supporting innovative projects and practices.

The project targets a small number of organisations that are willing and ready to work strategically with the Foundation with the help of a multi-year grant.

The C4C programme includes support for increasing an organisation's capacity to deliver and achieve significant outcomes in the region, with the support of our Centre for Social Impact.



Taiohi Whai Oranga



Manurewa has one of the fastest growing youth populations nationally; 50% are under 30 years of age.

Manurewa Marae saw the need to create an innovative programme to target the development and wellbeing of its local youth. The programme, Taiohi Whai Oranga, is the first marae-based model of its kind to provide a one stop shop for services.

These include programmes for young offenders, truancy, mana wahine, leadership, health support including drug and alcohol addiction, sexual and mental health, and suicide prevention.

“The support we have received from Foundation North to date has allowed Taiohi Whai Oranga to reach its potential. We have expanded our service delivery, improved our processes and internal systems, developed our work force and improved our evaluation and monitoring.”
 Deidre Otene, Taiohi Whai Oranga General Manager

In 2015 Taiohi Whai Oranga won regional and national awards for organisation, youth workers, youth leaders and youth leadership groups. “We have been invited to present at conferences including Healing Our Spirits Worldwide, APAC health conference and TEDx Manukau. All of these acknowledgments are a reflection of the support from Foundation North.”

Our impact...



“With the Foundation’s support we have strengthened our networks and had the pleasure of sharing our learnings and experiences with other youth-focused organisations. We look forward to continuing the growth and development of Taiohi Whai Oranga.”
 General Manager Deidre Otene

\$2.3m is being provided towards operating costs over a five year period

Tuilaepa Youth Mentoring Services



The Tuilaepa Youth Mentoring Service (TYMS) in West Auckland provides an alternative solution for Pasifika children and young people who've fallen through the education system.

Working with youth primarily aged 6-18, TYMS uses a values-based approach which incorporates fa'asamoa that upholds children and young people are the most precious gift that families have.

Their programmes help youngsters re-engage in education and find meaningful training or employment. TYMS also provide support for the parents of the young person they work with and have a special programme for teen dads.

"Without the support from the Foundation, TYMS would not be able to do what we are doing now," says TYMS CEO Robson Tavita. "We have started working on our other key programmes such as our social enterprise and business that we would not have been able to do if we were not with Foundation North.

"We are so blessed and humbled to have a wonderful supporter/backer like the Foundation walk alongside us."

Robson Tavita, TYMS CEO

TYMS has recently started outreach services in both North and South Auckland.

We're proud to say...



"Foundation North's funding means we are able to employ more people that really do care about young people, who are able to build rapport and have that real connection with our youth. That means we can touch a lot more lives."
CEO Robson Tavita

\$1.8m
is being provided towards operating costs over a five year period

Unuhia te rito o te harakeke,
Kei hea ke te komako e ko,
Whakatairangitia,
Rere ki uta,
Rere ki tai,
Ui mai koe ki ahau e aha te mea nui o te ao,
Maaku e ki atu,
He tangata, he tangata, he tangata,
Tihei mauri ora.

*If you should tear out the heart
of the flax bush,
Where will the bellbird be,
Will it fly inland,
Fly out to sea,
Or fly around aimlessly,
But if you should ask me what is
the greatest thing on Earth,
I will tell you,
It is people, it is people, it is people.*



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Foundation North The community trust for Auckland and Northland has over a billion dollars invested to support our region's not-for-profit sector today, and in the future.

Grants for the special organisations, events and places that make this such a great place to live.



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