



Building work underway on the Future Home of Hospice

It's exciting times at Hospice Tairāwhiti as work has now started on the new building site by the main car park of Gisborne Hospital, with completion due in autumn 2021.

The groundwork has been completed, and the preparations for the first concrete foundation pour are well underway.

After kicking off our fundraising drive with the Celebrate Gisborne 2016 Auction evening, we have been fundraising for Hospice Tairāwhiti's future home for four years. It is the largest project that Hospice Tairāwhiti will have undergone since its establishment in 1981.

The future Home for Hospice Tairāwhiti is for the community and funded by the community. Therefore, it has been essential to the Hospice Tairāwhiti Board that all contractors, trades and suppliers, where possible, are locally owned so the money remains within the community.

We refer to the new building as our Future Home as our principle remains that Hospice is not a building, but a philosophy of care.

Our future home will extend our services, responding to meet our community's growing and changing needs. Our services are increasingly changing for all age groups and diverse circumstances.

Our Future Home's new facilities will include an outpatient's room, a space for whānau, private counselling room, a complementary therapy room, a large multipurpose room with kitchen for day programmes and education, and more space for staff and volunteers.

We have been blown away with the community support we have received to raise the \$3.1 million

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for
updates on our
Future Home.**



Day 1: Barbara Grout and Teresea Gray celebrate breaking ground

needed to build our future home. Thank you to all who are supporting the building of our Future Home, especially to our largest contributors; Trust Tairāwhiti - \$1 million, New Zealand Community Trust (NZCT) - \$500k, Eastern & Central Community Trust - \$140k, Sir John Logan Campbell Residuary Estate \$20k, and Gisborne Wainui Lions Club - \$20k, for which we are incredibly grateful.

It is important to note that our fundraising journey is not quite over yet as the \$3.1m cost does not cover any potential for budget overrun or fitting out the new building.

With additional spaces and new programmes and services running from the new building we are going to need the public's support once again to help furnish the new home for Hospice.

Currently we have two upcoming events to support the building fundraising. Celebrate Gisborne auction evening on 5th March 2021 and a Mitre 10 Outdoor Lounge Raffle which will be available for viewing at our Poverty Bay A&P stall once again located in the Home and Gardens Area.

We appreciate the amount of community support Hospice has received over the last few years. Without it, we would not be able to expand our level of service. If you wish to donate to the fit-out, there is a donate button on our website, hospicetairawhiti.org.nz, or contact the office for more details. 🙌





Patient Support Volunteer Peter

Volunteer Profile: Patient Support

As a child, Peter remembers his mother placing a very high importance on caring for the disabled and elderly, and that has stuck with him throughout his life. Now retired, he is in the position to join a few organisations like Hospice to support those in need, to help and contribute.

A career in the non-profit sector showed Peter the value of volunteers. He has recently moved to Gisborne from North America and has discovered volunteering as an excellent way to get involved and be part of his retirement city. He says he has learnt so much as one of Hospice Tairāwhiti's patient support volunteers. The most important lesson has been learning to listen.

Peter has made real connections with patients and their carers. Visiting their homes one hour a week to offer respite to carers and a change of conversation to the patients.

Peter encourages others to join Hospice Tairāwhiti as Patient Support Volunteers stating that it is 'a real pleasure'.

Peter supported Trevor and Jean, to watch their story, please [click here](#).

Having a male companion can help raise the spirits of our male patients. If you know a gentleman who would love a new hobby as a patient support volunteer, please get in touch with jane@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz and help make a real difference in our community.



Hospice Equipment loans help Patients to 'Live Every Moment'

Living every moment for David Ball and his wife Judy is making sure they have a daily afternoon trip to the countryside or the beach. These trips usually end with an ice cream and a good smile about life.

David lives with a Chronic Respiratory Condition and is under Hospice Tairāwhiti's care. As part of his care Hospice Tairāwhiti have loaned the couple an oxygen concentrator. Patient equipment loans help to support our patients to live the best life they can in the place where they call home.

The couple both love our nurses' regular visits to their home as the support is comforting to them, but it is the equipment loan of an oxygen concentrator that enables the couple to maintain their daily lifestyle.

Each morning before their afternoon drive David sits in his favourite armchair with the oxygen machine

which allows him to go out in the afternoon and enjoy his favourite Passion Fruit ice cream. Judy says 'having the oxygen concentrator at home is really good and makes life a lot easier.'



Hospice nurse Jayda Taiepa visits David at his home.

'Hospice is absolutely fantastic. The nurses and doctors call or come to visit regularly. Not just for a couple of minutes but they spend time with us. Any problems we have we can talk to them about we really look forward to them coming. We don't know what we would do without them to be quite honest.'

'Once the machine broke and the Hospice replaced it the same day, and it has worked beautifully ever since.'

Equipment like Oxygen concentrators are only possible through the support we have from our community.

Hear from David and Judy [here](#).

Hospice Team Update

Returnees: Lizzy Ngatai-Hawtin, Administration Assistant and Laura Roberston, Hospice Nurse have returned from Parental Leave.

Leavers: Wendy Taylor, Hospice Nurse covering Maternity Leave; Nicola Carrol, Counsellor; and Dr Victoria Siriott, Hospice Doctor.

Vacancies: Nurse Team Leader, Family Support Coordinator.

Spring Has Arrived at the Hospice Shop

Our biannual change over of seasons is has arrived at the Hospice Shop.

We can feel the warmth in the sun once again, spring has arrived. It is time to bag anything you haven't worn this winter and your unwanted spring items and bring them in when you shop for your new Spring Look. Please remember we sell all good quality household items, so we welcome a good spring clean.

Donating items and shopping at the Hospice Tairāwhiti shop is an effortless way to support Hospice Tairāwhiti. It is refreshing for you to have a change in look and it helps us to support those living with life-limiting illnesses across Tairāwhiti.

Each year, Hospice Tairāwhiti needs to raise over \$350,000 to provide vital services and support to those in the community who are living with a life-limiting illness, as well as their whānau.

We would like to thank our shop team of volunteers for working tirelessly to make sure that the fundraising targets are met. If you are interested in being part of our shop volunteer team please contact Jane@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz. 🍌



Greta models our spring line, available now at the Hospice Shop.

The Long Lunch Sponsored by Specsavers Gisborne

We invite you all to join us for The Long Lunch sponsored by Specsavers Gisborne on Sunday 11th October.

The fundraising lunch is a popular event on everyone's calendars and this year features guest speaker, Gisborne-based holistic health consultant Katie Griffin from Katie Jane Wellness, who dovetails beautifully into Hospice's motto of "living every moment". She will be speaking about that big goal of achieving optimal health through a sustainable healthy lifestyle.

"It's a chance to reset our minds and enjoy all the goodness about Tairāwhiti for a great cause."

"We hope everyone attending The Long Lunch will come away with a little something to help them to live every moment while not forgetting the bigger picture is to help support those in our community living with a life-limiting illness," says Sarah Kirkpatrick, Hospice Fundraiser Co-ordinator.

"We are very grateful to Specsavers Gisborne for sponsoring this event — without their support, this fundraising event could not go ahead. 🍌



Richard Briant Walks the Catwalk at the Long Lunch 2019

End of Life Choice Act Referendum

This election, New Zealanders have a life-changing decision when they vote in the referendum on the End of Life Choice Act at the general election. As one of the key providers of specialist palliative care in Aotearoa, Hospice NZ have put this information together to share the Hospice NZ position on euthanasia and our concerns on the End of Life Act ahead of the referendum vote. Please, visit our [Spring Newsletter Article](#) on Hospice Tairāwhiti for the link.

It is important to be clear, your vote is not about the concept of euthanasia and your right to choose. Your vote is on this Act specifically. Is this the best possible legislation to keep people safe? Please take the time to know the Act before you vote. 🍌

Thank you

Thank you to the following groups and individuals who have assisted Hospice Tairāwhiti recently with grants, donations and bequests of over \$500.

Building Fund

Ten Talents Charitable Trust
Gisborne Host Lions Club
Roger Murphy
Lee Newman
Paul Gretton
J & A Faram
Sunrise Foundation –
Gavin McFarlane Fund
Sunrise Foundation –
Rosemary Johnson Fund

General Donations

Farmers Trading Group
Terry Candy
Ruby Keating
Yvonne Wilson
Gisborne Girls High School
Margaret Shanks
Jacqueline Jones
Mr & Mrs Mohlmann
C M Laing Trust

Upcoming Events

The Long Lunch with Specsavers Gisborne

Sunday 11 October, 11.30 -3pm.
The Vines, \$70 per person



Tickets include bubbles on arrival and three courses spread out over the entertainment of our speaker and our Spring Fashion Show.

Tickets available at the Hospice Shop, the office and online at hospicetairawhiti.org.nz/lunch

Email funding@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz if you are booking as a group.

Strawberry Festival with Advanced Tree Solutions

Saturday 28th November, 10 -1pm.

This year promises to be bigger and better with more Pak N Save Strawberry and ice creams. Bouncy castle, face painting, Zorb balls and Train Rides.

A great family day out. Visit our webpage for more information.



A&P Raffle with Mitre 10

For the second year running, we have teamed up with Mitre 10 to run a summer garden enhancing raffle at the Poverty Bay A&P show. This year Mitre 10 have donated a fantastic Lounge Suite, with a sun lounge option. It seats up to five people plus two ottomans. This prize is worth \$999 and it could all be yours with the winning \$5 ticket.

The future home for Hospice Tairāwhiti is currently under construction, and we are so fortunate to be able to offer new spaces and services for those in our community living with a life-limiting illness, and their whanau.

Funds raised through this Mitre 10 sponsored raffle will furnish areas we do not currently have like the new patient clinical area, complementary therapy space, group counselling room and the day programme area.

Tickets will also be available at the Hospice Office 06 869 0552, admin@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz, The Hospice Tairāwhiti Shop, Mitre 10 and hospicetairawhiti.org.nz/win.



She Shed Tours

Sunday November 15th

The ticket price of She Tours this year will be donated to the New Home for Hospice Fund. Local artists open their sheds to you to share the fun and creativity from ceramics, mosaics, painting, jewellery, weaving, furniture to wood, paper, flowers and more.

It is all about art and high quality craft, about sharing our fun with you and raising funds for our own community.

Ticket sales will open soon, please keep an eye out. If you would like to organise a fundraising event for Hospice Tairāwhiti please email funding@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz

Take on a Challenge for Hospice

Have you got a challenge on your bucket list for this summer? A marathon? or Paddle up the East Coast? Make your training and racing more meaningful by raising awareness and funds to support Hospice Tairāwhiti.

Raising funds is easy through Give a Little, get in touch and we will help get you set up and help spread the word to reach your fundraising goals. Please contact Sarah on Funding@hospicetairawhiti.org.nz or 8690552. We already have runners in the Rotorua and Queenstown Marathon. Do you want to be a part of team Hospice?