

# 2023 Annual Report

## Cancer Society of New Zealand

### Whanganui - Rangitikei

### - Waimarino Centre





# Chairperson's Report



As I write this annual report I look back on the events over the last year and think of what has happened. The dedication of the staff, the volunteers, the individuals and the businesses which have supported us through thick and thin this year has again been outstanding. To you all I offer my humblest thanks. You all might not know what it means to see people and organisations come together to let us as a Centre of the cancer society do what we are here to do. But it is very appreciated by all concerned. The continued increased use of the Cancer Society Services has been exceptional again for this year. We have seen the

ever-increasing demand and use of the Centre grow again; it has been a very busy Centre of operations, whether opened to the public or not.

Despite these challenges all of the staff has again been outstanding; they achieve very highly in getting the Cancer Society recognised throughout our region. Our staff members are ably assisted by all of you, our volunteers. Whom without you all, what is required would never be completed. I need to thank you all again for the loyalty shown by all of you, the volunteers throughout our Region and the Rural areas. It is to be highly commended

I wish to convey thanks to all of the staff members for their time and efforts in their respective roles for our Centre. To Jane, Rachel, Kerri, Theresa and Cassie, you all are the leaders in what you do for our Centre in your individual roles and I wish to express my sincere thanks to you all for everything you achieve for the Cancer Society.

To all of the individuals and businesses who have maintained their partnership plans with the Cancer Society, I offer my sincere gratitude for your continued support. I must acknowledge those new people and businesses partners who have come on board. May we have a long and meaningful relationship. Your continued assistance has allowed us to achieved the operational goals that were set in place for this year.

Last but not least, I would like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues on the executive for all of their work and support that they have contributed over the last twelve months. As I mentioned last year, we were waiting for development of the new structure at a National Level but unfortunately constructive agreement has not been achieved which has led to a cancelation of the project which is of concern as the same problems with a federation style governance approach still has the same issues which need to be addressed. So with changes to the Incorporated Societies Act we will have ever more increasing compliance issues placed before us which will have to be dealt with, your committee members await the developments of this to see what the future will hold for us all.

**Graeme Baker QSM**  
President



# Centre Report

## Supportive Care

It has been an interesting year with regards to staffing, support and case load. In 2022 due to increasing brain and other diagnosis some clients needed extra support for Dr's and treatment appointments. We recruited four retired social workers and nurses who made themselves available to help on the occasional basis. This has proved to be invaluable over the past 12 months to family/whanau needing this support. One member of this team has made herself available for two to three hours per week and has been a great help and an asset to the team.



Groups are now back up and running well. We have Mens, Breast Cancer Ladies, Laryngectomy, Oesophageal, Financial (via Zoom), Look Good Feel Better plus a new one "Coffee and Chat" for all clients (regardless of tumour stream) to attend and support each other.

Our massage therapy has increased with new therapists being secured in Taihape and Ohakune. We also continue having two clinics per week in Whanganui due to high demand. So, we are now in a very good space for the year ahead and look forward to introducing new services that are required in our community.

## Volunteering

The Whanganui - Rangitikei - Waimarino centre currently has 128 regular volunteers, in the following roles; driving, reception, supportive care, maintenance and executive committee. We also have 184 casual volunteers supporting us with, raffles and other one off or annual events.

The demand for our driving service increased in the last year with 39 volunteer drivers contributing 3,109 driving hours and driving 132,947kms to ensure that 222 clients made it safely to and from 1,081 appointments in Whanganui, Palmerston North and Wellington.

August saw volunteers supporting us once again collecting donations in our annual Daffodil Day street appeal and running another successful Daffodil Pop up shop. Contributing to the total of over \$72k!



After an absence of gatherings over the last few years it was great to finally be able to get together at the end of last year to catch up, celebrate and thank our volunteers for their invaluable contribution.

Volunteers are the heart, soul and face of our organisation. The ones who represent us in the community, our dedicated supporters and we appreciate each and every one of them! We simply could not do what we do without them.

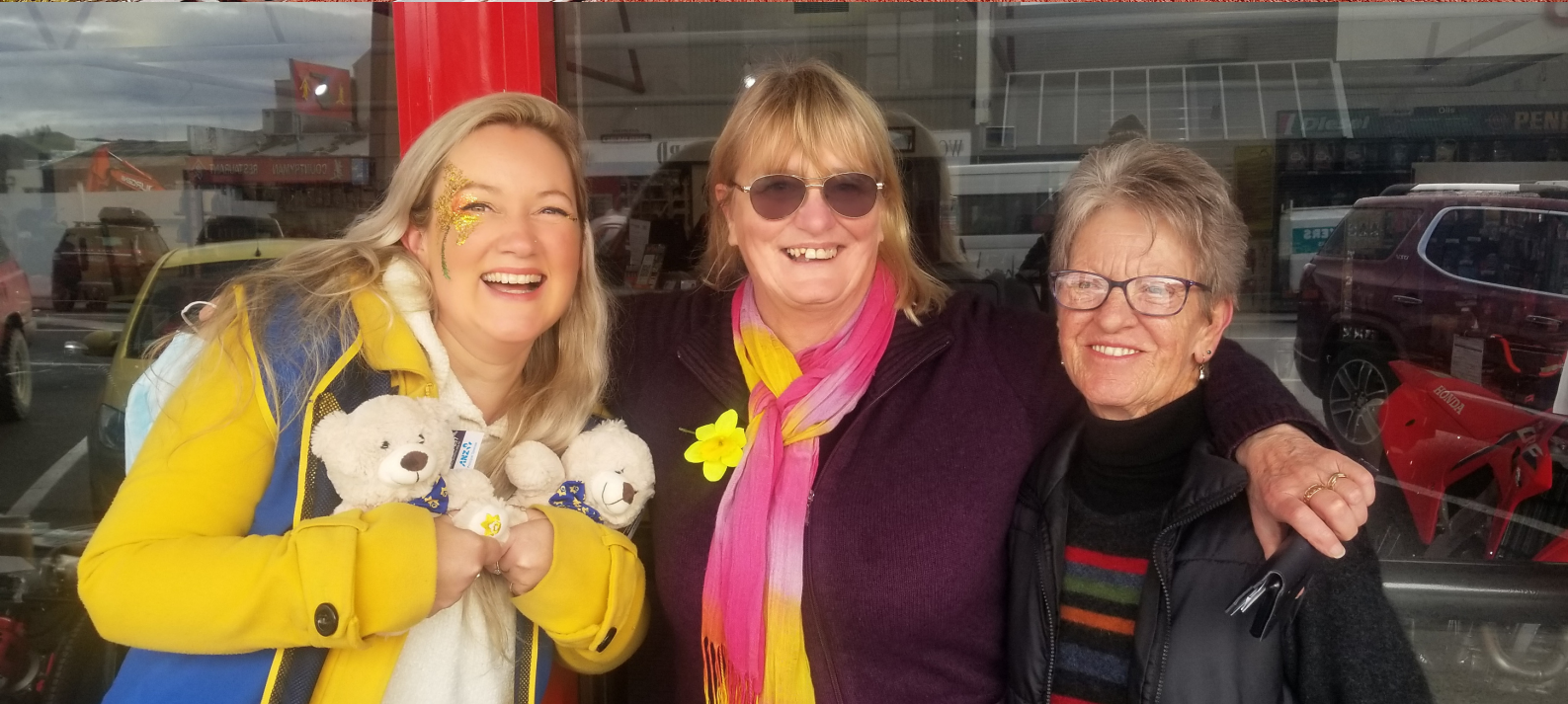
## Toitū Te Whenua | Cancer Prevention/Health Promotion

2022/23 has been another busy time in the Cancer Prevention space with a continued focus on building strong networks and having a greater presence within our community. Our Health Promoter has reached out and worked alongside multiple organisations within our region. Highlights from the year were Daffodil Day, RFL Health Hub, Tough Kids Whanganui and the Safer Whanganui Family Fun Day.

Term Panui's to Primary/Intermediate & Secondary schools are still a regular occurrence and a great way to keep our schools up to date on what is happening locally and nationally within The Cancer Society. This space is also used to support the kaupapa of other organisations in the area and nationally. SunSmart Schools and UV harm reduction continues to be a priority. During this period there have been eleven schools accredited or reaccredited as SunSmart as well as several visits to schools for classroom or assembly presentations. The community has also continued to utilize our Sunscreen and Gazebo loan with these going out a total of 30 times.

Tobacco and Alcohol harm reduction, nutrition, physical activity as well as early intervention and screening are other top priorities for The Cancer Society due to their use significantly increasing the risks for several forms of cancer. These are also at the forefront of many other organisations agendas due to their multifaceted and inequitable impact across society. Wherever possible work continues in these areas, working collaboratively with other organisations, supporting policy change, building awareness, promoting advocacy and creating space for community voice. Actively working to reduce the incidence and impact of cancer in Aotearoa.

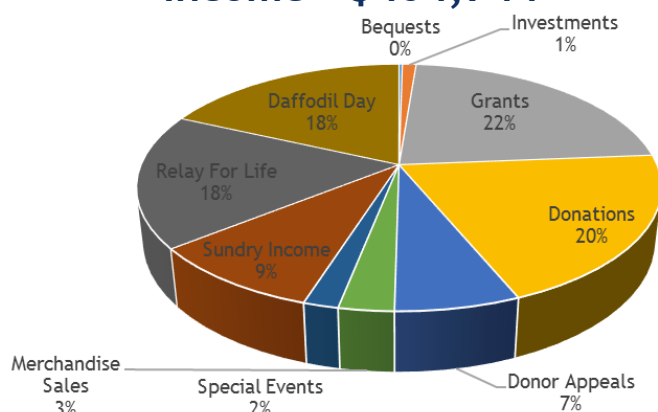






# Income and Expenses

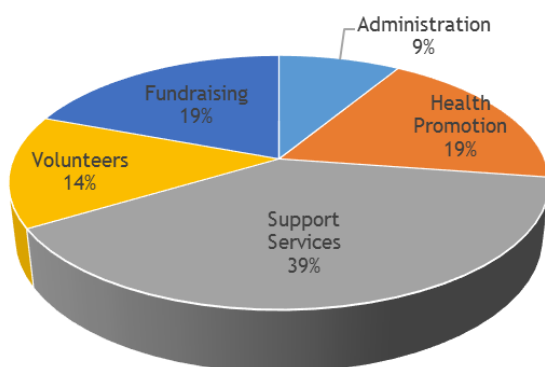
## Income - \$404,744



Bequests	\$1,000
Investments	\$4,096
Grants	\$90,859
Donations	\$81,080
Donor Appeals	\$26,262
Special Events	\$7,383
Sundry Income	\$37,798
Relay For Life	\$71,130
Daffodil Day	\$73,535

**Total Income \$404,744**

## Expenses - \$453,021



Administration	\$39,377
Health Promotion	\$84,373
Support Services	\$176,973
Volunteers	\$64,834
Fundraising	\$87,465

**Total Expenses \$453,021**

**Net Deficit \$48,277**



# Financial Report

The 2022 / 2023 year has seen a slight increase in revenue of approximately \$28,000. We have seen most income areas remain steady or have slight increases. Unfortunately, bequest income was 64% down on the previous year with grant income the major mover some 55% ahead of last year's results. Total Income was \$404,744

Expenses this year has seen an increase in costs of about \$84,000 overall with slight increases in Administration \$6,000, Health promotion \$6,000, Volunteer \$11,000, Fundraising \$12,000, and Supportive Care \$43,000 with Client travel reimbursements up by \$20,000. These cost increases were expected due to ever increasing cost of living happening during the last year.

Overall, the Centre's operation targets were achieved and they were unable to produce a profit for this year. We used reserves to cover the \$48,000 loss. The centre has some \$301,000 in the bank and total assets around \$678,000 and will continue on with the services we provide for the betterment of the people who we help with cancer.

Chair of Finance - Graeme Baker Q.S.M.



# Bequests and Grants Received

## Grants

1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

- Community Organisation Grant Scheme (COGS)
- JBS Dudding 2022 Grant
- NZ Community Trust
- NZ Lottery Grants Board
- Powerco Wanganui
- St Laurence Social Services Trust
- TG Macarthy 2022 Grant
- Whanganui Community Foundation

**Grand Total: \$90,859**

## Bequests

We are sincerely grateful to those who have left bequests. We thank those individuals and families for their generosity.

We acknowledge the estate of:

- J Adam

**Total bequests: \$1,000**

## Executive

**President:**  
Graeme Baker

**Vice President:**  
Jenny Vickers

**Members:**  
Gillian White  
Kath Pinker  
Marie Baker

## Staff

**Centre Liaison:**  
Jane Burgess

**Supportive Care Coordinator:**  
Kerri Dewson-Pratt

**Health Promoter:**  
Cassie Pui

**Office Administrator:**  
Rachel Pedley

**Volunteer and Transport Coordinator:**  
Theresa Webster

**Event Coordinator:**  
Sophie Westcott to September 2022



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**Saturday - Sunday Closed**



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