



# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2020 - 2021



# Waiwaste Incorporated

## AGM and Financial Reports

### For the Year Ended 30th June 2021

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# Chairperson's Report 2021

Once again this year Waiwaste has experienced considerable growth. This has largely been due to Ministry of Social Development funding that was provided to set up a Waiwaste food distribution hub for the Wairarapa. This has enabled Waiwaste to receive increased quantities of food from the newly set up New Zealand Food Network and distribute it to community agencies working with people experiencing food hardship.

Our Coordinator Elise Sadler led the food hub project and in December 2020 we celebrated the opening of the Waiwaste Food Hub at our new premises in 15 Hope Street. Since the opening we have had installed a large chiller and freezer, as well as shelving and equipment to safely store food rescued locally, as well as the greater quantity of food coming from the Network. The food hub has enabled us to channel more food to foodbanks in our region, the Community Kitchen and a large number of community agencies throughout the Wairarapa.

A huge amount of work has been done behind the scenes to support the setting up and running of the food hub, from policy documents, OSH procedures, warehouse logistics and distribution procedures, to forming relationships with community agencies. It became evident that we needed to employ more staff to manage the increase in food being received and distributed from the hub. In June 2020 Cassandra Griffin joined our team as Volunteer and Hub Coordinator. Together with Elise and numerous volunteers, the hub has quickly become an important contributor in providing greater food security and resilience in the Wairarapa.

The growth we have seen over the last year would not have been possible without the time and commitment from Elise Sadler. Sadly in July we farewelled Elise into semi retirement, and employed Geoff Roberts into the role as Waiwaste Coordinator. Elise, with the support of the Governance Group and the numerous volunteers who collect food, has grown Waiwaste into a valued organisation, making a significant contribution to community and environmental wellbeing by reducing both food waste and food poverty in our region. Over this year we have also had a change in Board membership with Christine Kernahan, Louise Lee and Liat Gush joining our Board and Ursula MacFarlane and Fleur Hardman stepping down after many years of valuable service.

I wish to formally acknowledge and thank both present and past Board members for their commitment and support to Waiwaste and all the volunteers for their generous gift of time in collecting food, and without whom Waiwaste would not have been able to accomplish what it has achieved.

**Naku te rourou nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi**

*With your basket and my basket the people will live*

Jeremy Logan  
Chairperson

# Coordinator's Report 2020

Waiwaste has now rescued over 234 tonnes of food locally. We continue to receive food from generous donors, ten businesses contribute daily and seven on an adhoc basis. We partner with all supermarkets in Masterton, Carterton and Martinborough, bakeries, cafes, larger producers such as Breadcraft, Henergy and Parkvale Mushrooms and local growers who generously offer us their surplus produce.

The majority of the food comes from supermarkets in Masterton, notably Countdown, who support food rescue on a national basis through their Food for Good Foundation and a policy of putting 'people before pigs'.

Our collaboration with the Masterton Foodbank and the Community Kitchen continues and we deliver food to them five days a week. Heartfelt thanks to Lyn at Foodbank for distributing Waiwaste food each day and Bev at the Community Kitchen for ensuring that none of our rescued vegies go to waste.

For a special event we teamed up with the Community Kitchen to mark the International Day for the Awareness of Food Waste and Loss recently. The Community Kitchen created yummy soup from our rescued food, which we offered to everyone for free on Queen Street.

Our collections had to be adapted during the Covid-19 lockdowns. While working as an essential service, with a reduced team, it became clear that the use of volunteer's cars was no longer appropriate. Thankfully Peter and Sheryl Watson of Printcraft came forward with their van to help during Level 4. They were very willing volunteers and a joy to work with. Once we moved to Level 3 James Snelgrove of Cross Country Rentals stepped in and offered the use of another van and super driver, Goff Moorcock. We thank everyone involved for their willingness to keep food moving in a time of crisis.

Not knowing what was going to happen next we set our sights on acquiring our own van. So, with thanks to sponsorships from Countdown, Foodstuffs and Masterton PaknSave, we now have a very smart electric van. No more petrol miles for our rescued food. Peter Watson at Printcraft stepped up again and generously stripped the van of its previous colour and created fab signage that gets our message across clearly.

During Covid-19 lockdowns our focus was on simply getting food to the Foodbank, as it was for many businesses and individuals in the community. Carterton Waiwaste did not operate over lockdown but Martinborough worked tirelessly to support their community.

Covid-19 has changed our direction for now. Whereas we were aiming at more community education regarding food waste, both edible and inedible, we are now focused on becoming the food hub in the Wairarapa for the distribution of rescued and donated food from the NZ Food Network. The Network aims to leverage more food from the major food producers and

transport it around the country. The government is funding this post-Covid response in order to supply approx 20% of the food needs for charities feeding people.

MSD is funding the establishment of the Waiwaste hub. We have leased a building in Hope Street, Masterton which is currently being renovated for us. Our role will be to distribute Network food to foodbanks, iwi, and other organisations who feed people. Naturally food rescue supplies are unpredictable and so we expect this to grow slowly. We will also be able to receive more food from local donors for distribution regionally.

With the possibility of an economic downturn, Waiwaste is well positioned to help the community respond to food needs as they may arise, utilising the surplus of food that exists in our country. We also continue to point to the vulnerability of our environment, through media and by example, to which food waste is a major contributor.

Our mahi cannot happen without our wonderful team of volunteers, who are committed to collecting food each week, and those who generously contribute their time and expertise on our Governance group. I wish to extend my gratitude for the tremendous commitment from all volunteers.



Yummy Morning Tea on Volunteer's Day at Iberia



Soup for all on the International Day of Awareness of Food Waste and Loss



# Waiwaste Financial Report 2020

This financial year has been another positive one for Waiwaste. We have received grants of \$61,000 as well as grants of nearly \$16,000 on behalf of our affiliated Wairarapa branches. Thanks to Masterton District Council, Lottery Grants, Community Organisation Grants Scheme, Trust House, Foodstuffs and Countdown for their generous support.

This income has allowed us to continue to employ Elise Sadler as coordinator, a role that has grown significantly over the past year. Elise has now been employed by Waiwaste in a salary/wage role rather than contract work. Elise continues to be a real asset to Waiwaste and we would not be where we are now without her dedication, passion and organisation. Grants also enabled us to purchase an Electric Van to assist with the larger pickups (\$23,000). The total cost of all other expenses over the financial year came to just under \$29,000.

We ended the financial year with just over \$19,000 in the bank. Profit for the financial year was \$32,271. Thanks to our wonderful volunteer team who allow us to keep Waiwaste's running costs so low.

Thanks again to all the organisations and individuals who allow Waiwaste to succeed.

Liat Gush

Treasurer

# Statement of Service Performance

## Description of the entity's outcomes:

We aim towards zero food waste and zero food poverty in the Wairarapa. We do this by rescuing surplus food from supermarkets, growers, food manufacturers, bakeries and cafes, and distributing it to organisations that work with people experiencing food poverty. This furthers our other aim of eliminating food waste from being dumped into landfills, where it becomes a major contributor to greenhouse gases.

Description and quantification (to the extent practicable) of the entity's outputs:	Actual	Actual
	This year	Last year
Food rescued in Masterton	96,647 kg	95,652 kg
Equivalence to meals provided in community	276,134	273,291
Approx amount of reduced carbon emissions from local landfill	75,236	74,461 kg
Number of volunteers collecting food	25	25
Waiwaste branches opened in Carterton and Martinborough	2	2
Number of businesses we collect food from daily	10	8
Number of businesses we collect food from on ad hoc basis	7	7
Educational presentations about food waste	4	6
Collaboration with organisations who distribute Waiwaste food to community agencies, families, cooking of emergency meals and teaching cooking classes	2	2
Website developed	Manitained	Website
Presence on social media	Maintained	Facebook
Vehicle purchased to increase our efficiency and hygiene. Sponsored by supermarkets.	1	
Networking with agencies and businesses throughout the Wairarapa to continue our relationships and further develop avenues for food rescue and distribution		

## Other more difficult to measure outputs include:

- Improving the quality of life for those experiencing food poverty,
- The satisfaction that both business employees and our volunteers feel when food is handed over rather than being dumped,
- The influence on reducing food waste in local homes and firms,
- The assistance that we give to businesses in improving their waste management
- The example that we set in reducing carbon emissions into our atmosphere.
- Reducing the budget of foodbanks and community kitchens by supplying food to them.
- Improving the quantity and quality of food being distributed by Foodbanks.

## Additional Information:

Waiwaste continued rescuing food throughout Lockdown as an essential service, delivering food to foodbanks. Covid-19 affected our ability to expand over this time with a greatly reduced volunteer team, and many businesses dropping food off directly to Foodbanks.

## Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
<b>Revenue</b>		
Donations/Grants	61,000	22,000
Branch Grants *	<u>15,922</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>76,923</b>	<b>22,000</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Advertising & Promotion	1,152	383
Fees	58	48
Branch Grant Reimbursed *	14,192	
Branch Grant yet to be paid *	1,730	
Computer & Website	2,170	
Equipment & Supplies	290	3,240
Insurance	575	
Office Supplies	100	39
Other Expenses	51	
Salaries & Wages	21,224	10,971
Travel Expenses	1,722	
Vehicle Expenses	760	
Volunteer Expenses	<u>691</u>	<u>454</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>44,652</b>	<b>15,235</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>	<b>32,271</b>	<b>6,765</b>
<b>Non Operating Expenses (Van Purchase)</b>	<b>23,000</b>	

Note \*: Waiwaste Martinborough Branch grants are collected and reimbursed by Waiwaste.  
\$1,730 outstanding to be paid in 2021



## Statement of Financial Position for the year ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
<b>Assets</b>		
Bank & cash	19,160	8,159
Nissan Van	23,000	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>42,160</b>	<b>8,159</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current	1,730	0
<b>Total Liabilities (Net Assets)</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)</b>	<b>40,430</b>	<b>8,159</b>
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>		
Opening (bank and cash)	8,159	1,394
Net profit	32,271	6,765
<b>Total accumulated funds</b>	<b>40,430</b>	<b>8,159</b>

# Acknowledgements

Waiwaste wishes to thank the following organisations for their financial support over the 2019 financial year:

**Masterton District Council  
Masterton Trust House Trust  
Lottery Grants  
Community Organisation Grants Scheme  
Foodstuffs  
Countdown**

We also wish to acknowledge our partnership agreements with:

**Masterton Foodbank  
Wairarapa Community Kitchen**

To our numerous volunteers,  
without whom Waiwaste would not exist, thank you.

We offer our thanks to the following businesses from whom  
we regularly collect food:

**Countdown  
New World  
PaknSave  
Henergy  
Breadcraft  
Parkvale  
Hansells  
Kowhai Café  
Old Bakehouse  
Village Bakery  
Iberia Restaurant  
Strada Café  
Local growers - Jos and Buz**

Many organisations and individuals continue with their contribution of support, energy and wisdom, and for this we are sincerely grateful.