



Welcome to the first Waiwaste pānui

Kia ora, and welcome to the inaugural Waiwaste newsletter. It's lovely to see the signs of spring, much needed after a long and frosty winter. The Waiwaste team are as busy as ever, we've rescued and redistributed 109,145kgs of food since the beginning of the year! We feel so privileged to be able to pass on this beautiful kai to our thirty recipient groups and, as always, a huge thank you to our donors, funders and volunteers - we really couldn't do this beautiful mahi without you. Looking forward to seeing you all at our AGM to celebrate.

***Ngā mihi, Victoria and
the Waiwaste team***

Wairarapa Business Awards

We're absolutely thrilled to announce Waiwaste is a finalist in the Masterton Trust Lands Trust Not-For-Profit category at the 2024 Wairarapa Business Awards. The awards dinner and winner announcement is on November 14th - keep your fingers crossed for us!



Please come along to our AGM - we'd love to see you

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

WAIWASTE

AGM

12 NOVEMBER 2024 - 4PM - 15 HOPE STREET, MASTERTON

PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 4TH TO VICTORIA AT COORDINATOR@WAIWASTE.ORG.NZ FOR CATERING PURPOSES



***Another
record
breaking
month!***

A man with a red scribbled mustache is holding a yellow sign. The sign has the text 'SEPTEMBER 2024' and '14,781 kgs' written on it. Red arrows point from the text on the sign to the man's face and the sign itself.

SEPTEMBER
2024

14,781 kgs

**Huge thanks to all our donors, funders and
volunteers - without your help our mahi
wouldn't be possible.**

While we're pleased that we've had a couple of record months this year, we're also very aware that the need for our services is increasing. We're working hard behind the scenes to secure more rescued food so that we can provide it to those in our community who are in need of support. Please email coordinator@waiwaste.org.nz if you have any food you'd like to donate.

Volunteer Spotlight

Gary Saunders



Meet Gary (aka 'Captain Reliable'). Gary has been with Waiwaste for nearly four years, and we couldn't get by without him. When asked what he likes about volunteering with Waiwaste, he said "that it's tangible - you can actually see the result of what you're doing, there's an immediacy to it". Gary also volunteers with the Driver Mentoring Programme and Shelter Masterton. He spends his spare few hours out and about on his bike and avoiding jobs around the house. Good on ya Gary!

OUR MEMBERS' COLLECTIVE

MAHI

Over the past year our members:



**Rescued
7.4 million kg**

of surplus,
quality kai



**Distributed
9.8 million kg**

of quality kai into
the community

This combined mahi:



**Prevented
19.7 million kg**

of carbon dioxide
equivalent
emissions



**Provided
27.9 million**

meals into the
community
(equivalent)



**Delivered
\$73.2 million**

worth of quality
food into the
community



**Saved
6.2 billion**

litres of water from
unnecessary use

Numbers based on AFRA's 2024 member survey, within the period 1 July 2023 -30 June 2024.

AFRA HUI

We were lucky enough to attend the annual National AFRA Hui in September, and spent two days hearing about all the hard mahi our sister rescue groups and other organisations are doing around Aotearoa to combat food insecurity (see the image above for the stats). It was an educational and inspiring two days, and huge thanks go to AFRA and sponsor Woolworths NZ for their efforts and commitment. Ka pai!



**LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER?
WANTING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND IN YOUR
COMMUNITY?
WANT TO WORK WITH A FUN, SUPPORTIVE TEAM?
EMAIL LAURA@WAIWASTE.ORG.NZ TO FIND OUT ABOUT VOLUNTEERING
WITH WAIWASTE FOOD RESCUE.**



www.waiwaste.org.nz

**IF YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE TO WAIWASTE, PLEASE GO TO
GIVEALITTLE.CO.NZ/ORG/WAIWASTE**

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