

GIVING MADE EASY HOW YOU CAN MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE IN THE EASTERN BAY

Many people choose to give back to the communities that shape their lives – whether it is where they were born and raised, where they are raising their family, moved for work, or retired to. Giving back can take many forms: supporting a local charity, coaching a sports team, helping with Girl Guides or Scouts, kapa haka, church activities, community groups, or on the marae. They might be part of service organisations like Lions, Rotary or Probus or volunteering with a local charity, donating goods.

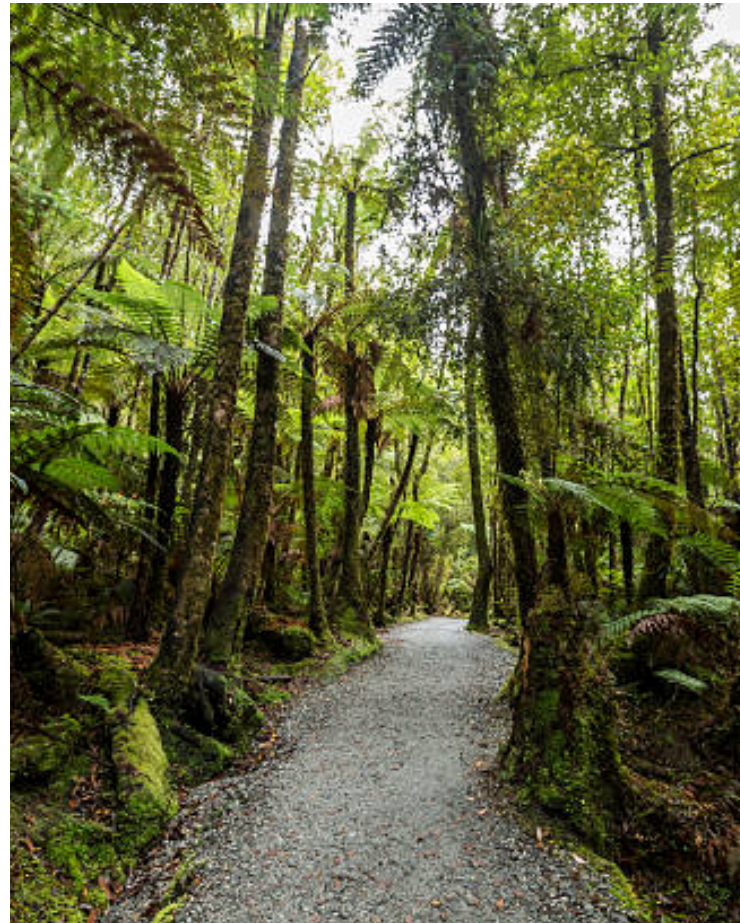
All these efforts make our communities stronger, better places to live. The Eastern Bay of Plenty is a better place because of people giving their time, expertise, support, and money to community causes.

The Eastern Bay Community Foundation - Giving That Lasts

Established in 2009, the Eastern Bay Community Foundation (EBCF) makes it easy for people to make a lasting impact on the community they care about – now and forever.

Our smarter giving model sets us apart. With EBCF, generosity creates impact for many years to come. Donations are invested and grown, creating long-term funding streams. Each year, the income earned from these investments is distributed to local causes – meaning the gift continues to support your community well into the future.

The Eastern Bay Community Foundation helps connect people with the causes they care about most.





Your Gift, Your Say.

We proudly serve the Whakatāne, Kawerau and Ōpōtiki districts. Since our launch in 2009, we have distributed over \$711,388.43 in grants to worthy initiatives in areas such as the arts, education, the environment, whānau/family wellbeing, and community development.

EBCF is part of a network of 18 Community Foundations that have been growing across New Zealand since 2003. As a charitable trust, we offer individuals, families, organisations, and businesses a simple and effective way to leave a legacy or establish a fund that will support local causes for generations to come.

So how can you Give Back?

Giving isn't always about money. Many people contribute their time, skills, and support to community groups, and this is just as valuable. For those who wish to donate financially, you can choose a one-off donation, set up regular giving or leave a gift in your will.

An endowment fund - an invested gift - generates income that supports your cause of your choice well into the future. It is a way for generous people to give back beyond their lifetimes to causes they care about locally.

Whether you are an individual, family, or organisation the Eastern Bay Community Foundation can work with you to achieve the difference you wish to see in your community.

If you won lotto or had a windfall tomorrow, what would you support in our community?

That is the kind of thinking we love to inspire - intentional giving that makes a real and lasting difference.

This is the first of our regular feature columns, and we look forward to sharing more stories and insights from our great community - and the impact made possible through the Eastern Bay Community Foundation.

