

CARING SUNDAY APPEAL 2020



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Hardship
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Food
for the
needy

Working
for the
common
good

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Common Good Foundation is here to help; to offer funding and support to groups and organisations working alongside people suffering financial, emotional and physical hardship. Your donation today will help us help them. Together, we can make a real difference and have a positive influence on numerous children, families and communities across the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton. Together as Catholics caring in action we can nurture the common good.

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We know for certain that today there is an urgent need within our communities with people who have never previously asked for help being forced to do so; to ask for basics like food for their children and money for their power or rent. Our Bishop, Bishop Steve has asked again if the Common Good Foundation can assist in softening the social upheaval brought about by the Covid pandemic and the resultant economic fallout.

The Common Good Foundation is here to champion this cause by providing financial assistance to any groups that answer this call.

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Our mission

The mission of Common Good Foundation is closely aligned to the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. We believe in preserving human dignity, in providing for the needs of the poor and the vulnerable, in assisting local communities to resolve local issues and promoting the concept of the common good. We contend that we are all created in the image of God and that as Catholics we have a calling to care for others and act on our faith.

The Common Good Foundation's purpose is to act as a bridge between those who can provide help and resources and those who most require help and basic needs within our communities. Our annual funding round opens in September for organisations and interested groups throughout the Diocese who need funds and support to initiate or continue their good works. We invite applications from Parish-based initiatives supporting the elderly, whanau groups, young mothers, migrants and refugee groups or any other specific persons of social concern.

In appreciation

Words of appreciation for funds distributed during lockdown:

"We are so enormously grateful for this donation which will make a huge difference to our ability to keep women and children safe during lockdown." - Tokoroa Women's Refuge

"Whanau Awhina Women's Refuge philosophy is to break the cycle of violence by empowering women to make good decisions about their future and supporting those decisions. We are working together to end domestic violence and we couldn't do it without the generous support from organisations like you." - Whakatane

Comments received from other recipients of grants in 2019:

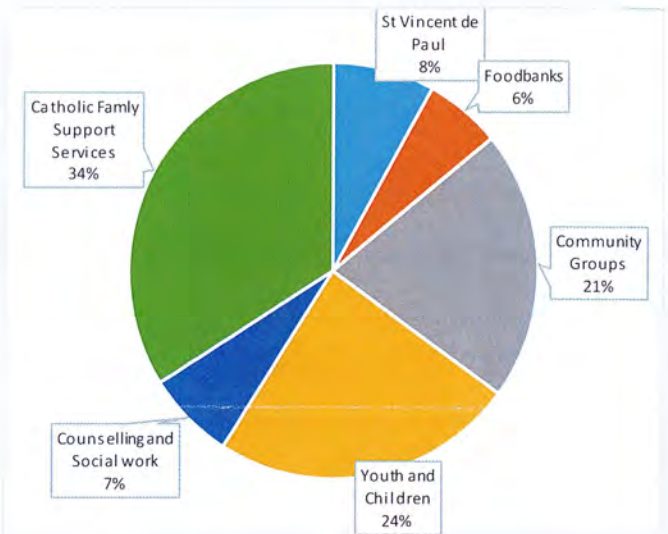
"The funds are greatly appreciated and will be put to good use in helping us continue to provide a high level of professional service to the Elderly and Disabled people of Gisborne."
- Sunshine Service

"These funds are so appreciated - every dollar goes into a huge area of need and allows us to provide a lot of support."
- Male Support Services

"Thank you and the trustees for the continued support of Catholic Family Support Services. Without this support my team and I wouldn't be able to do the work we do in the community. We are truly blessed." - Catholic Family Support Services

2019 distributions

A key supporter on our journey over many years has been The Tindall Foundation. With their contribution, we distributed over \$104,000 in the past 12 months and recently a further \$7,000 to Women's Refuge organisations across the Diocese during Alert Level 4 Lockdown.



How you can help

Together we can make an impact. Every dollar received helps make a difference and will be used for the purposes of helping those in need. For the Foundation to be truly effective, we need the financial assistance of caring donors who wish to promote the principles of Catholic Social Teaching in their local communities. This is Catholic care in action!

We are truly appreciative of the funds received over the years from our committed donors and invite you to join the campaign to help others.

The funds we raise on Caring Sunday go towards alleviating poverty, distress and loneliness in our community. Your gift means real practical help is on hand when and where it is needed. However, we understand that now is a difficult time for many, and some people who may want to give to our cause, will not be able to do so. Your prayer and advocacy are also just as critical to our campaign during this pandemic and we appreciate this support.

✂️ ————— YES! I want to support the work of the Common Good Foundation

Name: _____
 Address: _____

 Phone or mobile: _____

 Email: _____

I would like to make a single donation of:

\$20 \$30 \$50 \$100 \$.....

All donations over \$5 are tax deductible

Preferred: **Internet Banking:** 02-0342-0062180-00
 Common Good Foundation, BNZ Hamilton
 Reference: *Surname* Code: *Caring Sunday*
 Please send an email to admin@commongood.org.nz for receipting purposes

Donate **ONLINE:** www.commongood.org.nz/donate

Visa or Mastercard
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 Name on Card: _____
 Expiry Date: __ / __
 Signature: _____

I enclose my **cheque** payable to Common Good Foundation