



Thank you for considering leaving a gift to bring the best healthcare to Taranaki. Taranaki Health Foundation was started in 1999 by the then Taranaki District Health Board as a way to fund enhanced healthcare for the region. Since then, \$14 million has been raised in the region to fund healthcare projects that have made a major impact in the region.

The impact of your legacy will be felt across the region – from Mōkau to Waverley. From newborns to those close to the end of their journey. There really is nothing you can give to that will have more impact than healthcare.

Adrian Sole

Taranaki Health Foundation General Manager

Leaving a gift in your will through the Taranaki Foundation is a simple way to ensure your gift will continue giving forever. Anyone can leave a gift in their will. It is a common misconception that this is for the wealthy only. In reality, bequests can be made by anyone in our community that has passion for the place they call home, and wants to leave a legacy for their community, and in this case, make it really targeted to what the donor cares about.

We are proud to be partnering with the Taranaki Health Foundation to establish the Taranaki Health Fund to be an option for all Taranaki people to consider as part of your legacy.

Josh HickfordChief Executive Officer
Taranaki Foundation





Our relative isolation has made us independent and strong. As a region we have a proud history of being proactive and making things happen. Our communities have come together to help and support each other and this has resulted in our region punching well above its weight and achieving great things.

Healthcare is one such area. Having the best healthcare available is central to a healthy, happy and successful region. For the past 25 years, the Taranaki Health Foundation has been working to achieve this, and throughout that time the community has been alongside us, supporting and enabling us to provide enhanced healthcare services to our region. To maintain this, and to provide quality healthcare for today and generations to come, we're asking you to consider leaving a lasting legacy to the region through the Taranaki Health Fund.

The **Taranaki Health Fund** is an initiative developed by the Taranaki Health Foundation in conjunction with the Taranaki Foundation. Taranaki Foundation was created to enable people in Taranaki to donate to their favourite causes, or give to a general fund with the mission to inspire and enable giving for a thriving Taranaki for now and the future.

You can find out more about Taranaki Foundation at **taranakifoundation.org.nz**

The Taranaki Health Fund provides an opportunity for individuals or families to select an area of healthcare to which they would like to financially contribute. The funds invested are pooled together and grown. That particular sub-fund can be drawn on by the specific department when a need aligns with the purpose of the Fund.

This is a proactive approach to healthcare fundraising, rather than reacting to a need and then fundraising to meet that need.

Sub Funds

- Paediatrics
- Mental Health 0
- Critical Care
- Aged Care
- Cancer Care
- General Care

You don't have to spend long in Taranaki to understand why it is a special place.

Out here on the west coast, geographically isolated from much of New Zealand, our beautiful maunga and stunning coastline are the beating heart of the region, while our people are the lungs, bringing life, energy, pride and prosperity to our communities.

Your gift will be held and invested by Taranaki Foundation. When a hospital requires funding for a capital investment, they can apply to Taranaki Health Foundation to draw on the relevant fund, assuming they fulfill the funding criteria. This approach will make funds available sooner for departments and enable more effective investment.

Our commitment to you

We recognise and appreciate the incredible generosity of your gift. As charitable organisations, both Taranaki Foundation and Taranaki Health Foundation commit to the following:

- Your gift will be invested as per Taranaki Foundation's Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO). Investments will be managed by one of our specialist investment advisors.
- Your privacy will be respected. Your gift is personal and will not be made public knowledge unless specifically discussed prior to donation.
- We will not pressure you or anyone related to you to divulge details of any potential sum to be left in advance of the execution of the gift.
- Funds will only be available to Te Whatu Ora Taranaki and can only be used for enhancements that will directly benefit patient wellbeing. The rest of Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand will not have access to this fund and it can not be used for operational costs within the hospital.



Taranaki health fund options

The Taranaki Health Fund consists of a series of "sub-funds" so you can be confident your legacy will be targeted to the area that you care about most.

Paediatric Fund

Our Paediatric Fund is available to all healthcare departments that involve the healthcare and wellbeing of children. This includes maternity, neonatal and children's health services across the region. Leaving a gift to our Paediatric Fund will impact healthcare for the region's youngest patients, ensuring they have the best start in life.

Mental Health Fund

New Zealand has a mental health crisis with an average of 28% of people reporting poor mental wellbeing in 2021. Poor mental health has a hidden, ongoing effect on wider healthcare departments, with an increase in emergency department admissions and an additional strain on police. By leaving a gift to our Mental Health Fund, you will help fill the gap in mental health funding and help provide better preventative care rather than reactive emergency care.

Aged Care Fund

Our older patients can spend long periods of time in hospital, becoming isolated and institutionalised. The Aged Care Fund is intended to help provide the tools people need to get back on their feet. It will also provide the hospital with the equipment needed to help people back into their own homes and maintain their independence for as long as possible.



Babyleo incubator purchased for Taranaki Base Hospital using funds generously donated by the Dowman family.

Critical Care Fund

The Critical Care Fund will be available for our critical services, which include the emergency department and the intensive care unit (ICU). The fund will help pay for vital, lifesaving equipment and will enable more people to be treated in Taranaki rather than being transferred to alternative facilities in Waikato, Wellington or Auckland.

Cancer Care Fund

With the development of the Taranaki Cancer Care Centre, focusing on cancer care has become more important than ever. Through the Cancer Care Fund, our long-term goal is to be able to provide all the care and support needed for people within Taranaki, meaning patients shouldn't have to travel out of the region unless absolutely necessary.

General Care Fund

As the future remains uncertain, it is essential to anticipate the evolving healthcare needs of our region. By leaving a gift to the General Care Fund, you play a vital role in enabling us to proactively respond to future requirements. Your contribution will facilitate the purchase of new equipment, training programs, and ongoing education, guaranteeing the best healthcare available for the future generations of this region.





Make a long-lasting impact

By leaving a legacy gift to the Taranaki Health Fund, you are making a statement that **you care** and want to make an impact in the lives of people that live in this amazing region.

Whilst the Government does fund regional healthcare services, your gift will mean Taranaki can have access to enhanced equipment that can save more lives and provide **better outcomes**. Your friends and whānau will benefit from a level of healthcare beyond the standard care available in similar sized regions.

Funding saves lives.
The more access Taranaki has to healthcare funding, the more we can ensure people receive the care they need.

George Thomas

Te Whatu Ora Chief Financial Officer for Taranaki

How to leave your legacy

There are several ways you can leave your gift to the Taranaki Health Fund. Most importantly, **be clear of your intentions in a will** and, if possible, **tell your whānau and loved ones** of your intentions.



Step 1: Update your will

Your will should be updated to reflect your intention to leave a gift to the Taranaki Health Fund through the Taranaki Foundation. We strongly advise you consult a legal advisor before drafting a will or amending an existing one.

You should also state the amount you would like to leave, whether as a dollar value, or a percentage of your estate. If no specific fund is chosen, it will go into the General Care Fund that can be used by all funds within the Taranaki Health Fund when needed.

The document should include this wording:

"...bequeath a gift to The Taranaki Foundation, a charitable trust registered with the New Zealand Charities Commission (CC51935) to be used as part of the Taranaki Health Fund — specifically the xxxxxxxx Fund."



Step 2: Confirm your intent

Once you have made the decision that you would like to leave a legacy gift to the Taranaki Health Fund, and made the updates to your will, it is advisable to inform your immediate family.

It is also beneficial to advise the Taranaki Foundation of your intent, to make sure everything has been done correctly and so plans can be made to make the most of your gift.

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Why Wait?

A legacy gift is a fantastic way to give back to Taranaki in the long-term. However there is no need to wait to donate.

Taranaki Base Hospital is currently going through it's biggest development in 50 years. The New East Wing Building (NEWB) and the Taranaki Cancer Care Centre are currently under construction. With over \$430 million invested by the Government, these new facilities will serve the Taranaki Community for the next 50 years. With your support, we can maximise this development — providing facilities and services that only larger hospitals in metropolitan areas can offer.

A donation to Taranaki Health Foundation **today** will mean you are making an immediate impact to the healthcare available in the region. Any gifts over **\$5,000** will be recognised as major supporters, with recognition plaques in the new hospital buildings.

To find out more, visit **thf.org.nz**. or contact the Taranaki Health Foundation Donor Relationship Managers.

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A small percentage of your estate gifted to Taranaki can make an incredible difference to people's lives.

If you would like more information on the Taranaki Health Fund or would like to discuss your options for leaving a gift, please contact:

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