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A message from Kevin

Celebrating Inspiration and Leadership – Connecting and Informing. The year 2006 is drawing to a close. I think about the mood of the community and voluntary sector and I feel optimistic. Optimistic because of the inspiration and leadership that organisations in the community and voluntary sector are providing through connecting people and informing people of issues or stories that need to be told

Having attended many conferences, forums and workshops lately, I'm buoyed by the knowledge that the diversity in our community is well represented through committed groups of people and communities and this was amply demonstrated at two forums for ethnic minorities I recently attended in Wellington. I am also encouraged by the respect that the Government and private sector have towards the community and voluntary sector, articulated in many enduring and/or developing relationships.

The 2006 NZCOSS Conference, Raraka Korero: Weaving our stories, was held in Ashburton, in October and over 170 people attended. The conference

included some fascinating speakers including Mark Soloman, Kaiwhakahaere o te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, Tim Dyce a community development specialist, Margy-Jean Malcolm from Unitec and Professor Marilyn Waring. There were also some amazing lectures and workshops including Rev Maurice Manawaroa Gray's (Upoko o Te Runanga Ki Otautahi o Ngai Tahu) address on weaving together apodictic and scientific knowledge. NZCOSS and particularly Conor Twyford - conference organiser, deserve a bouquet for providing an inspiring forum.



Kevin Haunui and Unaisi ralege, Trust Coordinator of Canterbury Fiji Social Services Trust, at NZCOSS Conference, Ashburton.

Lots of other organisations also deserve bouquets, not least – Iris Pahau, Rees Fox and the Community Taskforce and their role in “Keeping our sector sustainable, informed, connected and able to do its work for the benefit of communities” and particularly for providing a chance to speak through a submission on the Deletion of the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi Bill. There is also Tina Reid and the New Zealand Federation of Voluntary Welfare Organisations, together with Robyn Scott and Philanthropy New Zealand and their leadership in promoting tax reform for charities as part of the issue of funding and sustainability for community organisations along with a host of other issues involving funding and funders. COMVOICEs is an example of a collaborative effort amongst community and voluntary organisations that has shown its value through focused campaigns such as funding and sustainability.

The academic sector too provides leadership to the community and voluntary sector in its feedback and commentary and as an incubator for developing ideas. Examples of this are Te Wananga o Raukawa and the Puna Maumahara Conference for Maori communities self management and maintenance of community knowledge.

So as I look towards 2007, I am optimistic that the community and voluntary sector is moving forward and I am pleased to acknowledge a few of those organisations who are working on our behalf. Equally, I am confident that Funding Information Service's contribution to the community and voluntary sector will continue to be important and necessary.

Nga mihi nui. Kevin.



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FundView and BreakOut Stats

FundView and BreakOut Information Collectors are constantly looking for new records to list on our databases. Recent additions are:

FUNDVIEW

There are currently 673 published records on FundView, of which 548 are active. New records include Hutt City Council Community Road Safety Programme, Shore Youth Bank Initiative, Shell New Zealand Sustainability Fund, School Holiday Programme Fund, Community Grants Scheme (Rodney District Council), Auckland City Community Board Discretionary Funding, The Global Education Fund.

Highlight - School Holiday Programme Fund. Auckland City recognises that access to school holiday programmes is very important to parents and caregivers, children and the community. This fund supports safe, constructive care of children in school holidays in the interest of the community at large, encouraging children to become part of their community and helping them to learn how to use their recreation and leisure time.

BREAKOUT

There are 12 new records in BreakOut, bringing the total to 2,419 of which 1,688 are active. The new records are from Ministry of Health, University of Otago, The University of Auckland, University of Canterbury, Massey University and Victoria University of Wellington.

Spotlight - The UCi3 Master's Scholarships from University of Canterbury encourage research in the field of ICT, either in conjunction with a company or with the intention of developing and commercialising a product, through a Master's degree by thesis at the university.

Moana Pointon joins the Information Collection Team

Married with 5 children, Moana comes from a background in Office Administration and is currently active in the hospitality industry as well.

"I took time out last year to study at Victoria University in Media Studies, English and History, however an opportunity for one of my children to finish his education overseas have put these studies on hold" says Moana.

"I enjoyed being a mature student, the study and research that I had to quickly adapt to have certainly paid off towards my job as an Information Collector for Funding Information Service" she says.

Learning the intricacies of how Funding Information Service ticks has enabled Moana to set herself some great goals in her role continually updating and researching scholarships and grants. She will be making contact with our many funders in the future. Moana is actively involved in her local community.

Tu's message

As I think about Christmas and the end of another year, so much has happened over the past 12 months. It has been a busy year, much of which is too detailed to mention in this message.

I do want to acknowledge an important change that has occurred. After 15 years of dedicated service and commitment to FIS, we said a fond farewell to Andrea Goble in May, following her appointment as the Chief Executive Officer of Social Services Waikato. Many thanks to Andrea for the wonderful stewardship she provided to the Service during her tenure as the General Manager.

Upon Andrea's departure, we welcomed the appointment of Kevin Haunui as the new General Manager. Kevin rolled up his sleeves and with the support of the staff, he has made some important changes to the operation of FIS and adopted measures to consolidate the work going forward. On behalf of the Board I want to thank Kevin and the team for the professional way in which they have managed the business and FIS can look forward to next year being a productive one.

A number of new Board members have been appointed over the past 18 months. I wish to pay tribute to the commitment and the significant contribution that each one of them has made to the governance role of the Board. The diverse range of skills and experience represented at the boardroom table is quite exceptional and we look forward to the next 12 months. Thank you for your valuable contribution.

To our readers and subscribers, you are really important people. You are the ones who are out there doing the mahi in our communities, building our society and making it a much better place for all of us and for the mokopuna of the future. Thank you for your continued support of FIS as we continue to update and grow our databases in keeping with your funding information needs.

Finally, the Board and the staff wish you and your whanau all the very best for the festive season. Ma te runga rawa koutou e manaaki, e tiaki a te tauhou e tu mai nei. Noho ora mai. Tu Williams - Chair, Funding Information Service.

A must-have for your CD collection!

Close your Eyes - lullabies from around the world is a gorgeous collection of world lullabies, featuring 19 lullabies from Europe, Scandinavia, North and South America, the Middle East, Asia and Africa. This CD has been produced by Wellington ESOL Home Tutor Service and grew from their desire to promote and celebrate the cultural diversity they experience every day.

Many of the singers are migrants or came to New Zealand as refugees; some are first generation New Zealanders who have grown up with two cultures.

Close your Eyes appeals to adults who enjoy world music as much as it does to babies and their families, with more than 3300 copies of the CDs sold since being launched in October 2005.

CDs are \$25 per copy. All proceeds from sales go to support the work of the ESOL Home Tutors Wellington (Inc) who train, resource and support volunteer Home Tutors. Home Tutors are matched with a refugee or migrant learner to teach English and to ease the settlement process, working in the learner's home or in a Community based Social English Group.

Read more on the ESOLHT website www.esolht.org.nz. Order by email wgtm@esolht.org.nz, or phone (04) 384 1992.

Defining the Non-Profit Sector

On 29 September Cathi Maryon, ITM manager, FIS, attended the launch of the report *Defining the Non-Profit Sector: New Zealand*, released by the Office for the Community and Voluntary Sector and the Committee for the Study of the New Zealand Non-Profit Sector and launched by the Hon. Luamanuvao Winnie Laban, Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector.

This report represents the first fruits of the collaborative work undertaken by Statistics NZ, OCVS, the Johns Hopkins Comparative Nonprofit Sector Project, Massey University and the specially-formed Committee for the Study of the New Zealand Non-Profit Sector.

Our own chair, Tu Williams, who is a member of the Committee, gave the welcome at the launch.

The launch event was a good opportunity to learn more about the Johns Hopkins project, why NZ has chosen to participate and what NZ hopes to get out of it.

Garth Nowland-Forman caught our attention by cutting out of that day's newspaper any article that related to the community sector, to see what was left. All that remained were the adverts, the weather and possibly one article per page! And yet there are no official statistics on the sector, no definition of it and no understanding as to its size and contribution to the NZ economy or our society.

The Comparative Nonprofit Sector Project at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore has been running for 16 years and attempts to describe the non-profit sector worldwide. NZ's participation in it will, it is hoped, provide some definition and context for New Zealand. This document is the first

output of NZ's part of the project and will be followed in 2008 by the full international comparison and extended bibliography. Meanwhile Statistics NZ are developing an accounting framework that will sit alongside the national accounts (this is known by the shorthand term "satellite accounts") and will be piloting this in 2007.

The Hon Winnie Laban reminded us that we are part of the Pacific and that participating in an international study will help us understand our context. The main thrust of our participation, though, is to understand and cater for the economic contribution the sector makes, so that government can support the sector better. This first report places the sector in its historical and legal context. We learn from it that, currently, there are probably over 1 million volunteers and over 60,000 community organisations and groups.

Michael O'Brien spoke regarding the international aspects of the project. He believes the study will give us a way to analyse ourselves: what is unique about New Zealand, what is the same as elsewhere, what can we do differently? He described society as a chair with four legs – government, the market, the household, and the community sector.

A major success of the NZ arm of the project is that the researchers are starting to work with tangata whenua organisations in a way that other countries in the study have not been able to do with their indigenous populations.

The document, the Minister's speech and information about the study is available from the Office of the Community and Voluntary Sector, online at <http://www.ocvs.govt.nz/work-programme/non-profit-study.html>.

Launch - Community Resource Kit

Funding Information Service was responsible for providing funding information for the new and improved Community Resource Kit launched by Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector, Luamanuvao Winnie Laban.

"This fantastic resource will make a real contribution to the development of strong, sustainable and connected communities", said Luamanuvao Winnie Laban.

The Community Resource Kit provides comprehensive information on setting up and running community and voluntary groups, and is freely available to anyone who needs it.

"The Kit will be particularly useful for small or emerging community and voluntary organisations, especially those starting up or undergoing change.

The development of the Kit is a joint project between the Department of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Social Development and several not-for-profit groups. The Kit is in response to the community and voluntary sector's request for good quality support and information.

The Kit is an update of the Community Development Resource Kit developed by the Department of Internal Affairs. A hard copy of the kit will be available for use at a range of community information centres including libraries,

community law centres, Department of Internal Affairs and Family and Community Services regional offices, Heartlands Centres, etc. It is also available electronically at www.community.net.nz or call the Department of Internal Affairs on freephone 0800 824 824.



Introducing Board member Jeannette Vine

Jeannette Vine joins us as a valued volunteer to serve on the Board for the Funding Information Service. Jeannette's introduction to Funding Information Service has come at a time of significant change and she has been involved in meetings and strategic planning sessions since April.

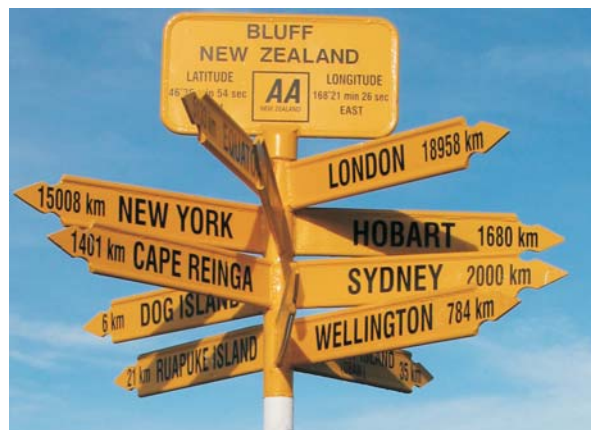
Jeannette has worked for more than five years seeking funding opportunities for academics in the social science and humanities research areas at Victoria University of Wellington. This work requires knowledge of the funding environment within New Zealand and increasingly of international funding opportunities, working with academics in developing the budgets and applications for research funding, as well as contract management of successful applications.

Within the voluntary sector Jeannette has worked as an ESOL home tutor for several years, and is currently completing the Certificate in Refugee Resettlement.

As a mature student Jeannette completed the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Commerce and Administration degrees. Two years ago she completed a Master of Management Studies including papers in strategic management and a thesis researching New Zealand companies' strategies for managing their organisation's knowledge. While Jeannette has no previous Board experience she is very keen to learn, both through experience on the FIS Board and completing courses on governance issues.



Sales and Liaison



Does meeting people and traveling around NZ interest you?

Funding Information Service is looking for a person, who can work part-time, to meet with our stakeholders throughout New Zealand to keep them informed about our products and services and keep us in touch with their expectations of what we provide.

We need the right person to be our *kanohi-ki-te-kanohi*, face to face contact with existing and new customers and stakeholders. Stakeholders include local authorities, universities, community groups, funders, libraries, corporates.

This position provides a rare opportunity to develop an insight into the character and importance of the community and voluntary sector, the length and breadth of New Zealand and how government, private or corporate funders contribute to its development.

Ideally the right person will be able to start in February 2007. For more information, or if you are interested about this position, go to our website, www.allaboutfunding.org.nz.

Merry Christmas

We will be closing the office from 22 December 2006 and reopening 3 January 2007. We wish all subscribers, funders, and friends of Funding Information Service a happy and safe holiday season.

If you need any urgent technical support issues during our close down period please contact techsupport@fis.org.nz.



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The Lottery Community Facilities Fund reintroduced

Community facilities funding

A significant increase in lottery profits has enabled the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board to set aside over \$8 million to reintroduce community facilities funding in 2007-08.

The Lottery Community Facilities Fund will support a wide range of projects to build or improve community facilities where community members can meet and interact in ways that strengthen the community.

The fund is not only for buildings. The committee will also consider applications for funding to improve existing buildings. This could include, for example, adding another meeting room or upgrading the kitchens or toilets.

Administered by the Department of Internal Affairs, Lottery Grants Board funding is generated from lottery profits run by NZ Lotteries. Profits are transferred to the Lottery Grants Board and flow on to directly benefit the community.

Detailed information and application material about the reintroduced Lottery Community Facilities Fund will be available from April 2007.

Initially there will be one funding round per year. Applications for the first round will open on 30 April 2007 and close on 27 July 2007. Funding decisions will be announced in early December 2007. To be considered for funding, projects must have a total cost of over \$30,000.

For more information about this fund keep checking FundView.

Photo - The cutting of the cake at the launch.



2006 Annual General Meeting

This year our annual general meeting was held at Transpower House in Wellington on 10 October 2006.

Chair of the Board, Tu Williams succinctly described the aim for Funding Information Service "to build on the gains of the past and to embrace the challenges of the future in an endeavour to position Funding Information Service as the premier funding information service".

Tu acknowledged Andrea Goble's role in building Funding Information Service and commented on Kevin Haunui's role, together with staff and the Board, to build on this.

From the Annual Report for 2005/2006, Kevin Haunui described the year in review. Kevin commented on developments such as new and revamped products, organisation changes and governance and outlined the new strategic plan for 2006-2009. He discussed the organisation's financial performance and also some of the challenges ahead, i.e., keeping people aware of our products and services, the organic nature of the community and voluntary sector as it continues to grow and the importance of good funding information.

The meeting ratified Bridget Gerie and Jeannette Vine as new Board members and paid tribute to the Board and Maori Advisory Group in their support of Funding Information Service.

In concluding the meeting, Robyn Scott, Executive Director of Philanthropy New Zealand provided an excellent presentation on "Thoughtful Grant making" and useful insight on international trends and what is happening locally.

We thank Robyn Scott for her presentation and look forward to further developments in the philanthropic sector.

The Annual Report for 2005/2006 and Robyn Scott's presentation are available to view at our website, www.allaboutfunding.org.nz.

CORPORATECITIZENS

Spotlight on: Searching by Brands in CorporateCitizens.

Did you know that Pump water is distributed by Coca-Cola Amatil? or that Arbuckles comes from PostiePlus?

Quite often the brand is marketed separately from the company, and a company may own several brands with quite different markets. When you try to strike up an ongoing relationship with a particular brand, understanding the company behind it is important. Equally, choosing a brand that matches your project can make all the difference. A company will want to see a good fit between their campaigns, culture and values and what you are trying to do.

This is why we include the brands (where known) on each CorporateCitizens record, and why we make the brands searchable.

Next time you're using CorporateCitizens, try the brand search to find out who is behind Xenical or Glassons. You might be surprised!

Bayer - Community Investment Programme

Bayer have launched a Community Investment Program to support employees in the charity and community activities that they are passionate about. Entitled GIVE, an acronym for 'Grow, Invest, Volunteer and Enrich', Employees can choose to help by:

Employee Volunteering

Bayer New Zealand is now offering one day's paid leave to all full-time, permanent staff who would like to volunteer in the community. By offering one day per year to allow staff to get a taste for volunteering, Bayer hopes to encourage more employees to make a difference to charities and to their communities.

Matched Giving

Bayer New Zealand will match all staff fundraising efforts (up to a certain limit) dollar for dollar.

Staff Sponsorship

Bayer New Zealand employees may apply for a staff sponsorship grant to assist with a community project they are involved with. Grants are measured against a set criteria including match with Bayer's key focus areas of education, environment, science, sport, culture and charity, and opportunities for positive exposure.



Give as you earn

Employees who make regular donations, perhaps by direct debit, to their favourite charity can now apply to have their donations matched by Bayer New Zealand up to a maximum of \$100 per month.

Bayer staff have embraced the GIVE program and are constantly planning new ways to make a difference to important causes with Bayer's support.

Find more Corporate Community Involvement programmes on CorporateCitizens.

GROW...INVEST...VOLUNTEER...ENRICH

PNZ Conference 2007

Te Papa Tongarewa is set to host the Philanthropy New Zealand Conference on 27 and 28 March 2007. The theme, 'Philanthropy Matters', will be explored by some of the world's foremost philanthropic thinkers from here and overseas. They will present keynote discussions and a range of attractive, interactive workshops.

Philanthropy Matters will advance the discussion about the relationship between philanthropic giving and grant making in New Zealand, to assess options for the future strategic direction of New Zealand philanthropy and to better appreciate the value of philanthropy and grant making to New Zealand society.

Philanthropy in Aotearoa, New Zealand is well placed to respond to the hopes, dreams and aspirations of our communities. Philanthropists and grant-makers play a key role in building the social fabric of our country. With this in mind Philanthropy Matters provides excellent opportunities to develop creative ideas about philanthropy and giving.

It is a time to celebrate and recognise the huge investment that New Zealanders are making through acts of philanthropy. The Conference will launch Philanthropy New Zealand's Giving New Zealand research which will give us a comprehensive understanding of giving by trusts, individuals and businesses. Over 200 people are expected from New Zealand and overseas, to participate in this inaugural Philanthropy New Zealand and Combined Community Trusts Conference. It is a unique opportunity to move philanthropy and grant-making in New Zealand to new levels.

If you would like more information about Philanthropy Matters please contact Jolly Fernandes at Philanthropy New Zealand 04 499 4090 or email - info@philanthropy.org.nz.

