



# COMMUNITY GOOD REPORT 2019



## OUR MISSION

Second Nature Charitable Trust inherently believes in 'achieve'. We are driven to achieve meaningful difference for our community, evidenced through a culture of setting goals every day, following through and putting power where we want it. A culture where achieving can become 'second nature.'

We believe that everyone can, and has the right to, achieve – whether it be one small step, or many very remarkable ones. One step leads to the next on any scale.

Our Trust's facilities and programmes are designed and delivered to share and instil this culture into the youth of the wider community, so that setting goals, following through and achieving can become their 'second nature' too.

*Thank you for your support as this enables a platform for long term financial stability. It is this sustainability that creates subsidised access to the facilities and programmes which are designed to engage with our community Inspiring them to set a goal, follow through and achieve.*



## WELCOME MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure that we present to you our Community Good Report for year ended 31 December 2018. The highlights of this report include the more than 51,000 children who have been able to utilise our facilities free of charge or at heavily discounted rates, enabling them to experience arts, drama, culture, music, sports and outdoor challenges they may not have otherwise been able to access.

Our community support over the past year alone has reached \$1.3 million, and since the establishment of the Trust, has now reached \$10 million.

The Vodafone Events Centre boasts the largest venue-based schools and community programme in the country. 40,000 children have used this facility over the past year in our community and schools programme.

For this year's Ballet In a Box, Royal New Zealand Ballet staged a Relaxed Performance for children with special needs. It was heartening to receive feedback from Philippa, a mother of a child living with autism. She expressed her great appreciation to the Centre and Royal New Zealand Ballet for the special performance, and said it was one of the few shows which accepted her child. Her daughter saw world class talent first hand and had a joyful, unforgettable experience.

Vector Wero Whitewater Park has hosted 11,000 children in our schools and community programme, and we aspire to be the largest such programme in the world. Our current promise to our community is that we will do all in our power to ensure that every child who goes to school in Auckland South will, at some stage during their schooling, be exposed to our water safety programme within the park.

One of the programmes we supported this year at Vector Wero was the Tamaki Paddle Sports Club of Canoe Slalom NZ. Through the club, South Auckland students Gabi Lolohea and Joseph Dunn are quickly becoming the new face of Polynesian white-water kayaking.

A warm thank you to all our supporters and sponsors, with special mention to Regional Facilities Auckland, who support programmes and activities within the Vodafone Events Centre. Without this support and sponsorship we would not be able to make such a great difference in our community.

**Sir Noel Robinson KNZM**  
Chairman

**David Comery**  
CEO





## VODAFONE EVENTS CENTRE

One of Second Nature Charitable Trust's main goal is to support the community, especially our youth, through the high-quality educational programmes and events delivered through the Vodafone Events Centre. In 2018, over 40,000 students took part in events and programmes at the centre.

We aim to create the largest free arts education experience in New Zealand provided by a venue. For over 15 years, with the support of AUT, the Ministry of Education and other art organisations and educators, we've delivered hands-on, fully-immersed programmes that build confidence in our students and teach them life-enriching skills.

Since 2010, we have been successful providers of the Ministry of Education's Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom (LEOTC), annually providing free programmes and workshops to more than 70 Auckland schools and facilitating a deeper learning of the arts to more than 5,000 students. Our programmes include Dancing with Mythology, Experience Pacifica, Royal New Zealand Ballet's "Ballet in a Box", and Toi Matariki, to name a few. The Centre has sponsored and supported numerous local school events.

We have also staged a collaborative production in 2018 with Maori Artistic Director and Choreographer Moss



Patterson entitled "One: The Earth Rises." It is a dance project and performance involving James Cook High School, UNITEC Performing Arts students, and the Auckland Chinese Philharmonic Choir. Musician Paddy Free provided the soundscape and New Zealand's very own Sandman, Marcus Winter, provided live sand art projection that served as the backdrop of the show. It was supported through the Auckland Diversity Project Fund of Creative New Zealand and Foundation North.

Outside of the arts education programmes, we have invested over to \$610,000 in local community groups, helping them with venue hire sponsorship, artist's fees, and staff and audiovisual hire for their events. We've supported community groups, low-decile schools, charities and non-government organisations, whether these are small functions or large-scale events involving the use of the entire events centre.



"My students are often not readily accepted in community events due to the public not being exposed to people with special needs... I am grateful for the fact that all people can attend this ballet and just be themselves without any prejudice because they are different."

**NAOMI MCPIKE**  
Rosehill School



"I hope that this experience will inspire them to further their studies with performing arts. For our young students, I hope that this has also inspired them and to know what is possible. Thanks you once again!"

**MOANA IESE**  
Weymouth Primary School



## VODAFONE EVENTS CENTRE STATISTICS 2018



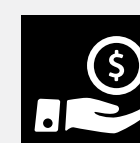
**74 SCHOOLS**  
**148%**  
OF TARGET SET BY MINISTRY  
OF EDUCATION



**5,018 STUDENTS**  
**202%**  
OF TARGET SET BY MINISTRY  
OF EDUCATION



**40,487**  
STUDENTS ATTENDED  
EVENTS AND PROGRAMMES  
AT THE EVENT CENTRE



**\$661,226**  
TOTAL COMMUNITY GOOD  
VALUE





## VECTOR WERO WHITEWATER PARK

Vector Wero Whitewater Park is committed to provide the largest community and schools programme for white water experience in the world. Our facilities offer multiple educational opportunities for local communities, businesses and international groups.

Through our partners Water Safety NZ, Active Auckland Sport and Recreation, and John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams, children are able to attend programmes where they acquire the confidence and skills to safely enjoy water activities, and the ability to manage moving water situations.

We have given nearly \$620,000 in sponsorships and subsidies, all to help promote active living and lower the national drowning toll.

It is also our aim to become the national centre for swift water rescue training for our frontline emergency services. We have hosted search and rescue teams from Australia and New Zealand, including the New Zealand Police, as they train for moving water assessment and rescue.

Canoe Slalom NZ is also based at the park and runs training programmes for our national and Olympic canoe slalom teams, as well as grassroots kayaking programmes for our youth.





"The benefits for our mainly Maori and Pasifika students to develop safe water skills, learn discipline in and around water, and lead healthy lives means they will more likely be inspired to continue their safe participation in water type events into adulthood."

**CHARLOTTE CASTLE**  
Principal, Red Hill School

"This trip definitely helped us build our teamwork to get along with each other."

**MARIETA**  
Student, Panmure Bridge School

## VECTOR WERO WHITEWATER PARK STATISTICS 2018

 **123**  
SCHOOLS  
SUBSIDISED

 **11,681**  
STUDENTS  
SUBSIDISED

 **\$618,005**  
TOTAL  
COMMUNITY  
GOOD VALUE



## HIGHLIGHTS

### Vodafone Events Centre

- More than 40,000 children and young people have attended more than 40 events, programmes, competitions, concerts, graduations, seminars and other activities focused on children and youth held at the venue.
- The Schools Programme's Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom (LEOTC) workshops and events are for FREE and participated by over 5,000 students across 74 schools mostly from the Auckland region. The total number of students is 202% of the target set by the Ministry of Education. (Based on LEOTC Contract Year January to December 2018).
- Venue sponsorships of almost \$400,000 and investments of more than \$260,000 for artist fees, staff and AV equipment hire.
- As an official LEOTC provider, we contributed to Māori achieving educational success and lifting Pasifika students' achievement and performance. We are the only venue offering regular performing arts workshops and activities delivered by professional Māori artists and artisans using Te Reo for instruction.
- Community Good value is more than \$660,000 for 2018.



**\$1.3**  
MILLION  
TOTAL  
COMMUNITY  
GOOD VALUE



### Vector Wero Whitewater Park

- Continued to invest in specialised life buoyancy equipment to allow paraplegic/disabled people to access moving water.
- Fully or partially given sponsorships worth more than \$376,000 to more than 13,700 children and adults through our Community and Schools Programme. Worked with Water Safety NZ, Aktive Auckland Sport, and John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams to subsidise almost 11,700 students.
- Invested more than \$206,000 in events and courses including NZ Open Slalom Championships.
- Donated over \$16,000 worth of community support and complimentary family passes to various community groups for fundraising prizes.
- Sponsored more than \$18,000 for the Vector Wero Kayak Club Nights. Working with the Manukau Canoe Club and University of Auckland Canoe Club, this has provided a gateway for students to a club environment and to high performance sport.
- Community Good is nearly \$620,000 for 2018.



## MOMENTUM HUB

The Momentum Hub is the container village of like-minded Not for Profit Organisations involved in leadership development, education and social innovation opportunities and is also the home of Canoe Slalom New Zealand.

- **Big Buddy:** Big Buddy offers a mentoring programme for fatherless boys between 7 and 14 years of age. It operates in Auckland, Waikato and Wellington on the simple philosophy that boys benefit greatly from having positive male role models in their lives.
- **Canoe Slalom NZ:** Canoe Slalom New Zealand (CSNZ) is the organisation that administers the Olympic sport of canoe slalom. Our aim is for New Zealand to have a greater representation and success at world events such as the Olympic Games, World Championships and World Cup races.
- **iSport NZ:** The iSPORT Foundation believes every child has a right to be physically active, have access to positive role models and be the best they can be regardless of their circumstances. It believes sport and character development have the ability to positively transform the lives of people and communities, providing a connection and sense of belonging toward a greater good.
- **John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation:** FYFOD's mission is to positively impact on the lives of young people by providing accessible sports and physical recreation experiences which promote character development, life-enhancing values, good health and community cohesion.
- **Life Education Trust Counties Manukau:** Life Education has been educating and empowering kids in New Zealand for over 30 years. It fosters a space for over 30,000 children to learn and explore key issues around health and nutrition, the human body, puberty, how to be a good friend and helpful and harmful substances.
- **Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust:** Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust was created by the former Manukau City Council to address and mitigate incidences of tagging in 2001. Since then, it has grown to also deliver educational programmes and major events to include teaching a much wider understanding of how young people and the community can contribute to the health of the natural environment.
- **Rising Foundation:** Rising Foundation aims to unlock the potential of New Zealand children, especially those who are on the verge of being lost to their families, schools and community. The Foundation does this through developing pathways, involving parents, schools and other agencies using outdoor education programmes, one to one mentoring and storytelling intervention.







## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS:

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**Second Nature Charitable Trust**  
Proud custodians of Vodafone Events Centre and Vector Wero Whitewater Park on behalf of the community.

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Every time you use our facilities you help support our youth through our water safety and creative arts programmes.

**ONE** of yours will make a difference **FOR ONE** of ours.