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Annual Report 2024
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We are Clare, welcome to our fourth annual report.

Message from our Founder and Chair: Anna Stuck

It has been a joy to see the Foundation scale up over the last year and grow the number of investments and long term partnerships. This was our largest granting year with over \$5,246,270m given or committed in future years.

It is inspiring hearing from our partners about the positive impact they are making in our communities now and for future generations. Personal highlights were visiting Northland to see the tooth brushing programme in action, learning more about the incredible work that Ara Taiohi do and the launch of the End Women's Homelessness Coalition.

Whakawhanaungatanga remains a core part of how we work and the team continue to build relationships across the philanthropic sector with involvement in the youth in philanthropy rōpū, and the environment and rainbow funders networks, as well as across each of our strategic focus areas.

In reflection of the enormous impact that Clare's gifting and investments has generated since launching in 2020, a further significant boost to the funds available will enable Clare to flourish and support even more organisations.

In June, we welcomed Jan Logie to the team to lead the amplifying opportunities for women portfolio and she has hit the ground running. I'm delighted with the team and their insightful and thoughtful approach to creating transformative change across the country.



Message from our CE: Alice Montague

It is with immense pride and gratitude that we present this year's annual report. This past year has seen significant growth in our mission to create lasting positive change; we have increased the number of and size of grants, further extending our support to a range of initiatives that align with our core values and goals. The dedication and hard work of our strategic partners have been hugely inspiring. Their efforts and resilience have driven meaningful progress across our strategic pou, and we are honoured to stand alongside them.

None of this would have been possible without the extraordinary dedication of our team and the unwavering support of our board. Their passion, commitment, and tireless efforts have been the driving force behind our progress, and I am profoundly grateful for their contributions. It is an honour to work with and learn from such capable and passionate individuals.

Over the past year, we have further developed our theory of philanthropy and woven more reflective practices into our work. We have expanded our understanding of working within the field of systems change in a complex and ever-changing world, to ensure we can most effectively achieve transformation for our people and planet. We remain committed to deepening our understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and reflect deeply on what it means to be a philanthropic funder in Aotearoa today.

Together, we have made remarkable strides, and I am excited for what the future holds as we continue to grow and evolve in our mission. Thank you for being a part of our journey.



Who we are

OUR VISION

To create extraordinary change for our people and planet

OUR PURPOSE

To stand alongside those solving the problems of today

The Clare Foundation has a unique identity and approach to giving, established through the vision of founder Anna Margaret Clare Stuck and her desire to create a better future for her children and generations to come.

Clare is a nod to the brave, bold, and generous women who have given their time and talents to better the lives of others. The name 'Clare' recognises the women in Anna's family, past and present, especially those who share this name.

Since establishment, Clare Foundation's approach has been further shaped by engagement with communities, social innovators and the philanthropic sector. These relationships have guided us on how we can best contribute to creating meaningful and lasting impact.

OUR BOARD

Anna Stuck - Founder and Chair

Rachel Farrant - Trustee

Claire Byrne - Trustee

OUR TEAM

Alice Montague - CEO

Anne-marie Maikuku - Strategic Funding Lead, Oral Health

Robyn Langlands - Strategic Funding Lead, Environment

Stevie-Jean Gear - Strategic Funding Lead, Youth Wellbeing

Zoë Williams - Administration and Operations Manager

In June 2024, Jan Logie joined the team to lead our women portfolio.

OUR ADVISERS

Thanks to our wonderful collective of mentors and advisers who help and guide us.

Christina Howard - Philanthropic Adviser

Katherine Short - Marine Specialist

Krissi Smith - Taiwi Māori Adviser

Whetū Campbell - Māori Adviser

Kat Dawnier - Strategic Adviser

Systems support - Jana Grossmannova

How we operate

We are a progressive foundation that is focused on creating meaningful long term change. Our approach sees us mapping the various systems across our four strategic pou, taking into consideration the many interconnected layers, complexity and non-linearity of things.

We look for organisations and people who are deeply embedded in their communities, and focus on finding key opportunities and spaces where we can contribute to change by investing in initiatives with potential to be transformative at all levels.

As a proactive funder, we intentionally identify community partners with whom we have vision and values alignment, and who have solutions with potential to achieve transformation in ways that can be sustained and embedded. We sit in relationship with them, build trust and identify ways Clare can best support.

Part of our proactive approach is also working relationally with existing partners to spot opportunities where Clare can further enhance or accelerate what we are already working on together. We avoid making assumptions about what communities need, and encourage our partners to be aspirational when thinking about our relationship with them.

We focus on spaces where there is momentum for change, as well as investing in things like convening and collaboration, research, advocacy, and community capability building. We're mindful of the power of collective action, the unique role that philanthropy can play to realise change, the value in taking risks and always 'do no harm'

We are committed to exploring, learning and continually reflecting on what our Tangata Tiriti role looks like as a philanthropic foundation through building our understanding of Te Ao Māori, Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the unique inequities that Māori have faced historically and today.

Whāia e koe te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe, me he maunga teitei
Pursue excellence – should you stumble, let it be to a lofty mountain

Our preferred way to fund is by building strategic long term partnerships where we are focussed on being a catalyst for extraordinary change. We also fund specific projects with one off support that are doing great mahi right now.

We are values driven

Our values are important to everything we do - they guide how we engage, influence our culture, and come to life through our relationships with our partners.

Brave

We are comfortable in the unknown, we take risks, and have a learning environment.

Agile

We pivot and change. We are responsive, fast and adaptive. We are impactful.

Independent

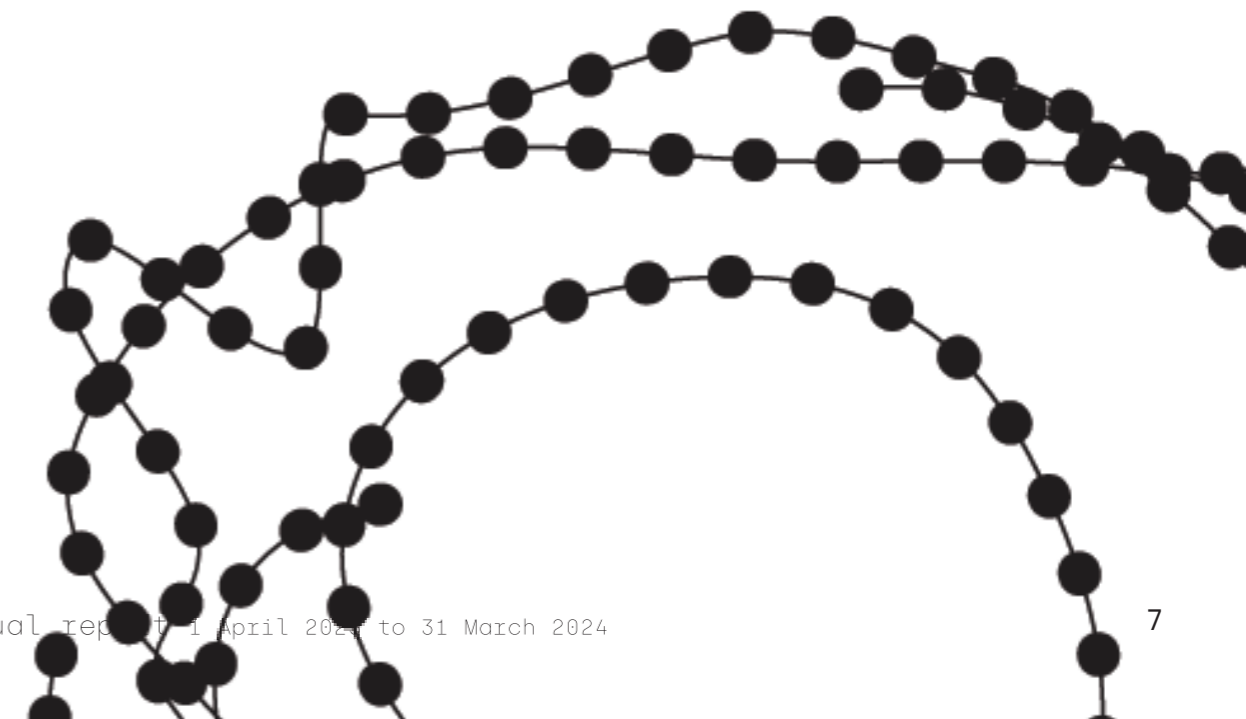
When we work together we have greater impact, but we navigate our own path with autonomy.

Kind

We see the person and the need. We are gracious with our time and spirit. We respect the mana of others and act with humility.

Curious

We create space for all voices. We listen deeply and seek to understand.



Meet some of our partners

Environment

Toitu te marae a Tane, Toitu te marae a Tangaroa, Toitu te iwi
If the land is well and the sea is well, the people will thrive.

The Environmental Defence Society

The Environmental Defence Society (EDS) is Aotearoa New Zealand's leading environmental law and policy organisation. They combine staunch advocacy with relationship-building to protect and restore Aotearoa New Zealand's outstanding landscapes, freshwater systems, oceans, and indigenous biodiversity.

Clare was proud to support EDS in their comprehensive submission on the proposed Waikato Regional Coastal Plan. Marine protected areas are one of the most powerful and effective ways of ensuring degraded marine ecosystems and threatened species can recover and thrive. EDS aims to maximise spatial protection in the Waikato coastal marine area and limit activities (including fishing) which may negatively impact upon areas where there is significant biodiversity.



Mountains to Sea – Love Rimurimu project

We continue to support the Love Rimurimu team in their goal to regenerate the seaweed forests of Wellington's coasts. They've achieved some significant milestones in the last year, obtaining a 5-year resource consent from Greater Wellington Regional Council for seaweed restoration sites, which allows for annual planning, research, and plant out activities until 2028.

They also set up a programme called the Kelpers where they train students from Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Ngā Mokopuna and community members to assist with seaweed planting out and monitoring. This is now yielding high-quality data sets about the harbour. Four seaweed plant outs have been completed in collaboration with Taranaki Whānui, Victoria University of Wellington, and NIWA.



Women

*Me aro koe ki te hā o Hine-ahu-one
Pay heed to the dignity of women*

End Women's Homelessness Coalition

Over 50,000 women in Aotearoa don't have a safe or secure place to call home. Women are sleeping in cars or on couches to protect themselves from the risks of sleeping rough. They are returning to abusive relationships for their children or because it's safer than any alternative. Another scenario exists for older women are priced out of a housing market that doesn't meet their incomes or their needs.

We are supporting The Coalition to End Women's Homelessness to change that – building a national movement to advocate for a specific strategy and funding which addresses the unique and complex context for why so many women in Aotearoa today are unhoused.



The Systems Change Advocacy, Support and Solidarity (SASS) group

SASS was founded in 2022 by experienced, hands-on changemakers fiercely passionate about community-led, relationship-based, collaborative systems change and creating a more equitable future in Aotearoa, New Zealand.

The group is a diverse network of wāhine and non-binary humans who gather together through the grace of Te Tiriti o Waitangi as systems changers grounded in community. SASS works together in various forums to create a safe space to be together as they go deep and share their wisdom to enrich others practising as systems changers.

Their 'not-white' paper: Voices from the Frontlines: Community-driven pathways for systems change in Aotearoa is an important resource to everyone who is passionate about creating a more equitable, inclusive, Te Tiriti-based Aotearoa. The information in the paper has been organised into five key pathways, each with clean, actionable steps for those who want to contribute to an inclusive, beautiful future.



Oral Health

Me mahi tahi tātou, Mo te oranga o te katoa
We must work together for the wellbeing of all

ActionStation Aotearoa

We are supporting ActionStation Aotearoa's campaign calling on the Government to bring universal dental care into the public healthcare system to make it free for all.

Bringing dental care into the public health system means everyone's teeth and gums can be looked after. In Aotearoa, we choose to resource our public health services because we recognise that everyone deserves to be looked after. We already make sure children under 18 years old can access free dental care and it's time to extend that care to adults too.

No one should be turned away from healthcare because of their incomes. That principle of care should include mouth health too. Now is the time for bold action that tangibly improves the lives of people in Aotearoa. Action that puts whānau wellbeing at the heart of our public services that are infrastructure of care.



Community Water Fluoride Research

As part of our commitment to invest in solutions that have transformative potential and universal benefits, Clare is proudly backing Associate Professor Tim Chambers from the University of Canterbury and his team on their Community Water Fluoride (CWF) Research project.

The project attempts to counter the current oral health disparities amongst young New Zealanders, with the aim of quantifying how many dental caries in the community could be due to poor compliance from CWF over the past decade, and how to change the pathway moving forward.

Dental decay is largely a preventable condition, and CWF is a population-level public health intervention that improves oral health and can reduce health inequities. New Zealand's most recent national oral health survey shows on average 40% less tooth decay experience for children in fluoridated areas than in those areas without it.

The study will analyse fluoride exposure from drinking water using data from all 67 councils from 2008-2021, with a key outcome being a 'Fluoridation Index' to provide communities and iwi with the tools to hold the Crown (Central and local Government) to account over any inequities in access to and performance of community water fluoridation across the motu.



Youth Wellbeing

E kore koe e ngaro, he kākano koe i ruia mai i Rangiātea
You will never be lost for you are a seed born of greatness

Make it 16

Make It 16 is a youth-led, non-partisan campaign aiming to uplift and strengthen youth voices by lowering the voting age to 16. The group believe 16 and 17-year-olds are just as affected by government decisions as people over 18. Noting that they are already feeling the impact of decisions made, without any input with them. As voices of the future, the group is advocating to let them be involved in the democratic process and have their say.



Ara Taiohi

Ara Taiohi has continued to actively support building capability and capacity, in order to support the needs and aspirations of young people across ngā motu. The Youth Work and youth development sector has continued to serve rangatahi through a year of rising cost of living, legislation challenges, and declining mental health statistics.

To resource the sector to meet these needs, the past year has had a dual focus for Ara Taiohi: investing in leadership structures to ensure sustainability, and delivering on our commitments to resource, connect and advocate for the sector.



Other Partnerships

Weave

We are proud to be a part of the Weave whānau of family Foundations supporting collaborations across the motu. In the last year, the group approved funding for a range of organisations including Wai Wānaka, Shared Kai in Otautahi and Kai West in West Auckland.

Our Team



Alice Montague
Chief Executive Officer

Alice's experience spans roles in Australia, New Zealand, and her native UK, across a range of high-profile organisations such as the Red Cross, Experience Wellington, Creative New Zealand and most recently in her role as Executive Director at the Nikau Foundation. Alice's extensive breadth of experience is ideal for Clare's proactive, progressive approach.



Robyn Langlands
Strategic Funding Lead, Environment

Robyn Langlands is the Strategic Funding Lead for the Environment, a role that harnesses her skills and experience in the not-for-profit sector, various research roles, and as a Clinical Psychologist. Robyn co-founded Kaibosh Food Rescue, a charity that links the food industry with community groups to ensure that quality surplus food reaches those who are struggling rather than being needlessly discarded.



Anne-marie Maikuku
Strategic Funding Lead, Oral Health

Anne-marie Maikuku is a passionate advocate for oral health in Aotearoa. She has over 10 years of experience in the oral health sector, working as a dental assistant, oral health therapist, and the Initiative Lead for Pou Waka Niho tautahi via the Waikato DHB. In her previous role, Anne-marie was responsible for developing and implementing a range of oral health programs for tamariki and rangatahi. She is also a strong advocate for cultural safety in oral health, and has worked to ensure that oral health services are accessible and inclusive for all.



Stevie-Jean Gear
Strategic Funding Lead, Youth Well-being

Stevie-Jean has eight years' experience working within the Youth sector, having spent time in both the community and public sectors; advising, advocating, mentoring and creating youth programmes. Stevie-Jean brings a range of diverse knowledge in both youth work and youth development.



Jan Logie
Strategic Funding Lead, Women (Joined June 2024)

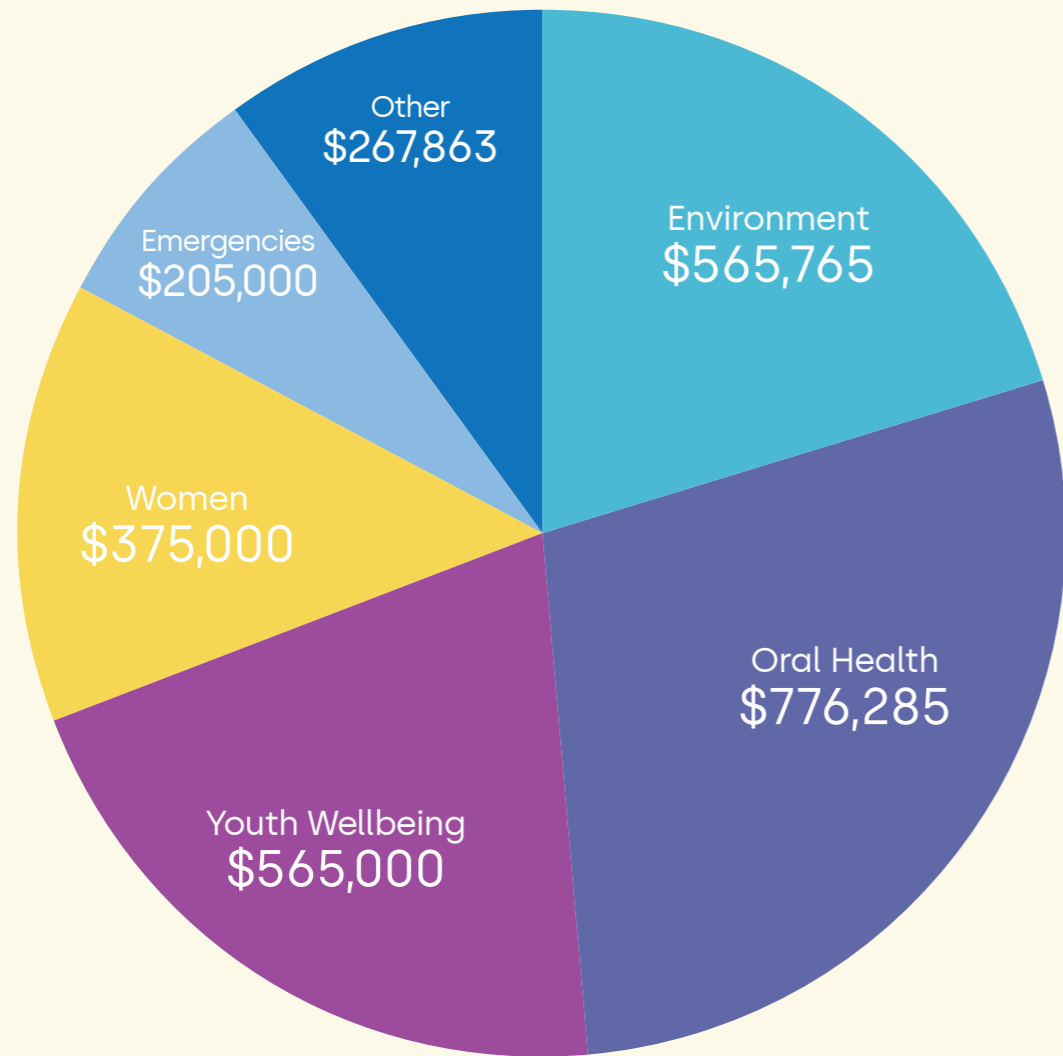
Jan's career spans decades in leadership roles centered around women and wellbeing – including the YWCA and Hutt Valley Youth Health Service (now known as VIBE) – as well as overseeing high-profile portfolios in the community sector, human rights, social development, women, children, local government, immigration during her time in Parliament.



Zoë Williams
Administration and Operations Manager

Zoë is responsible for supporting the team with effective processes and making the physical office an exceptional place to work. She has a background in various administration, hospitality, and community engagement roles, which perfectly complements her ambition to contribute to mahi that makes a difference in the world, while working with passionate and caring people.

Breakdown of grants by strategic giving areas for 2023/24 year



Our Impact Investments



Our Giving:



In the 2023/24 year:



(2022/23: \$1,683,335)



(2022/23: 29)

How are we tracking?

Statement of Financial Position

Clare Foundation As at 31 March 2024

Account	31 Mar 2024	31 Mar 2023
Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank accounts and cash	1,867,914	1,821,377
Term Deposits	65,000,000	-
Other Current Assets	130,532	48,320
Total Current Assets	66,998,445	1,869,697
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	298	902
Intangibles	14,375	14,375
Investments	28,171,555	28,985,657
Total Non-Current Assets	28,186,227	29,000,934
Total Assets	95,184,673	30,870,631
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Employee Benefit Liabilities	14,768	9,901
Trade and other payables	217,174	149,463
Anna Margaret Clare Ventures Trust	92,468,775	29,662,775
Total Current Liabilities	92,700,717	29,882,139
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Net Assets	2,483,955	1,048,492
Accumulated Funds		
Accumulated revenue and expense	2,483,955	1,048,492
Total Accumulated Funds	2,483,955	1,048,492

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Statement of Financial Performance

Clare Foundation For the year ended 31 March 2024

Account	2024	2023
Exchange Revenue		
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	462,885	710,319
Total Exchange Revenue	462,885	710,319
Expenses		
Volunteer and employee related costs	421,293	276,536
Costs related to providing services	291,660	258,694
Grants and donations made	2,749,912	1,683,335
Other expenses	834	47,963
Total Expenses	3,463,699	2,266,528
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	(3,000,814)	(1,556,209)
Other comprehensive revenue and expense		
Distribution received	2,194,000	-
Other Revenue	2,242,277	(1,295,491)
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	1,435,463	(2,851,700)

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