Together we can save lives





South Canterbury Air Rescue and Air Ambulance Fund

We all know that anxious feeling when we hear the Westpac Rescue Helicopter overhead in South Canterbury. What has happened? Where are they heading? Who is involved?

Ironically the outcome would be so much worse if we didn't hear the helicopter. The Westpac Rescue Helicopter saves lives, it is as simple as that. South Canterbury is a unique place. Rugged coastlines and vast rural landscapes to lush forests and towering alpine peaks; it is an environment that has few equals. When things go wrong in these environments we are vulnerable and isolated. The Westpac Rescue Helicopter provides a critical lifeline for more than 55,000 people in the Aoraki region.

About the Fund

In partnership with the operator, GCH Aviation, the Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust provides an emergency helicopter and air ambulance service across South Canterbury. A Community Group Fund has been established to support the future of these services.

About the St. Vianney's Timaru Trust

The St. Vianney's Timaru Trust was established when the Sisters of Compassion sold the Morgans Road, Home of Compassion. The Trust has supported the Westpac Rescue Helicopter directly for a number of years. The trustees wanted a way to ensure future gifts supported just those services delivered in South Canterbury.

Working with the Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust, St. Vianney's Timaru Trust helped launch the fund with a generous seed gift of \$50,000.

"The Sisters of Compassion provided care for those in need in our community. It is in their honour that we have become the seed donor of the South Canterbury Air Rescue Fund"

- Dale Walden, St. Vianney's Timaru Trust



If you would like more information on how to support the Westpac Helicopter Service call Kirsty on 027 766 7157 or email kirsty@aorakifoundation.org.nz

Aoraki Foundation

The Aoraki Foundation is South Canterbury's Community Foundation. Governed by a group of experienced volunteer trustees, we provide a trustworthy vehicle for you to contribute to the local causes that really matter to you.

We believe in a better South Canterbury for all, and see this being achieved through the power of giving.

What is a Community Foundation?

Community Foundations are local, independent, and notfor-profit. They run a well-proven model of giving which has been growing across the world for over 100 years, and they are now established in 17 regions in New Zealand.

Community Foundations build long-term, reliable funding streams for their local communities by investing and growing the donations they receive. Our smarter giving model ensures your gift to the community is everlasting.

How our unique giving model works

- · We raise funds from donations and gifts
- We invest these funds retaining the capital and generating income
- · We grow the capital to protect against inflation
- · We use the remaining income to provide grants to local charities, in this case Air rescue service in South canterbury







"The South Canterbury community has had a long and proud history of supporting this essential life-saving service. Every gift to the Community Fund counts and ensures we can deliver the best possible outcomes for those in the region."

Kathryn Marshall, Fundraising Director







AND THE ONGOING

How to support the South Canterbury Air Rescue Fund

Give Today

You can make a oneoff donation that will continue to grow and make a difference in perpetuity.

Give Regularly

Set up a monthly contribution to the fund knowing that your gift will make a difference where it is needed most.

Give in your Will

It is simple to set up a gift in your will. This could be for a percentage of your estate or a specified

All donations qualify for a tax rebate of 33%

Where can I donate?

The simplest way to donate is directly on the Aoraki Foundation website. There is a dedicated page for the South Canterbury Air Rescue Fund that can be reached from this QR code. Alternatively contact our team for more details.





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