

# Volunteering Changemakers Hui

## Friday 20 September



8:00am	Registration opens
9:00am	Mihi Whakataau: Te Taumata Tapu o Ngāi Tūāhuriri
9:10am	<b>Conference opening and welcome</b> MC Curtis Tohiariki
9:15am	<b>Changemakers! Get ready to lead and make change</b> Michelle Kitney, Chief Executive, Volunteering New Zealand
9:20am	The Hon Louise Upston, Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector
9:25am	Opening keynote: <b>Resilience for community organisations - how to thrive with change and lead for a new kind of future</b> Rose Challies, Chief Executive, Terra Nova Foundation
9:45am	Panel discussion: <b>Strategic volunteer engagement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon Louise Upston, Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector</li> <li>• Rose Challies, CE Terra Nova Foundation</li> <li>• Kate Sclater, Head of Community Impact, Rata Foundation</li> <li>• Dr Katie Bruce, CE Hui E! Community Aotearoa</li> </ul> Facilitator: Curtis Tohiariki
10:15 am	<b>Key highlights from the State of Volunteering Report 2024</b> Michelle Kitney, Chief Executive, Volunteering New Zealand
10:30am	<b>Morning tea</b>
11:00am	Panel discussion: <b>Emergent tech and tools to make volunteer engagement easier</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Andrew Lensen, Senior Lecturer in AI, Te Herenga Waka Victoria University: <i>The evolving AI landscape</i></li> <li>• Dr Katie Bruce, Chief Executive Hui-E!: <i>Deep dive into Charity GPT</i></li> <li>• Tony Goodrow, President, Better Impact: <i>The benefits of volunteer management systems</i></li> </ul> Facilitator: Curtis Tohiariki
11:45am	Panel discussion: <b>Inspiring volunteering leaders</b> A discussion with volunteering leaders who have created change through the power of volunteers, and/or empowered volunteers to grow. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Captain Hayden Smith, <i>Sea Cleaners</i></li> <li>• Lynda Halverson, <i>Lions New Zealand</i></li> <li>• Dina Dimiri, <i>Inspiring the Future</i></li> <li>• Susan Jackman, <i>Hapai Foundation</i></li> </ul> Facilitator: Curtis Tohiariki, MC

12:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:15pm	<p><b><i>Inclusive engagement practice: connecting with diverse volunteers</i></b></p> <p>Hannah McKnight, Strategic Communications Consultant</p> <p>Interactive workshop, including table discussions, and take-home tools.</p>
2:15pm	<b>AFTERNOON BREAKOUT OPTIONS</b>
Option 1	<p><b><i>Engaging young volunteers</i></b></p> <p>Jane Zintl and Dayna Carter from Ara Taiohi, the peak body for Youth Development</p> <p>An introduction to the national youth development principles of Mana Taiohi.</p> <p>Reflect on engaging with rangatahi as volunteers through the lens of Mana Taiohi.</p>
Option 2	<p><b><i>Valuing volunteers</i></b></p> <p>Tony Goodrow, President, Better Impact</p> <p>Explore tools for reporting the full value of volunteer engagement. An introductory session, demonstrated through real examples worked on in yesterday's mini masterclass.</p>
Option 3	<p><b><i>Challenging behaviour</i></b></p> <p>Alison Marshall, Learning and Development consultant</p> <p>Equipping you with tools to navigate challenging conversations and situations. You will learn about tools, and thinking and behaviours that impact on mindsets and approaches to difficult situations.</p>
3.30pm	<p><b><i>Conference closing address</i></b></p> <p>Sam Pilisi, Pacific Health Researcher, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, University of Auckland</p>
4:00pm	<p><b><i>Closing remarks – Volunteering New Zealand</i></b></p> <p>Michelle Kitney, Chief Executive Volunteering New Zealand.</p>
4:05pm – 5pm	<p><b><i>Networking event</i></b></p> <p>Seek Volunteer networking event, with light refreshments</p>