# Part of Our Community

A strong and energetic group of volunteers is supporting the Cancer Society on the Kapiti Coast.

## Cancer auxiliary

The Cancer Society's Waikanae auxiliary raises funds for specific projects and equipment, for cancer health care and for the provision of services to cancer patients.

The auxiliary has been busy on the coast since 1981 and every year raises a significant amount of money to provide funding assistance to Kapiti cancer patients and their families.

The committee could not manage their fundraising activities without a willing group of people to call on, like at the annual Lions Garden Trail when auxiliary's associates bake muffins, scones or fruit loaves to sell to hungry participants.

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Donations made this year include:

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Cancer Society Wellington Division: \$5,000 to help fund the patient Driving Service

Mary Potter Hospice: \$300 for specialised Roho Matterz patient pillows and \$3,000 for a steam cleaner to clean patient Lazyboy chairs



The auxiliary is always encouraged to continue its work by the generous support received from the local community.

Anyone who would like to volunteer with the auxiliary can contact:

Sue Carley, president, 04 904 3040

Maureen Starke, secretary, 04 293 2729



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