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Birthright Horowhenua-Ōtaki (Incorporated) is part of a National organisation, and has been serving Ōtaki and the wider Horowhenua community, since 1968. Their philosophy is all children have a 'birthright' in all matters to do with education, development and advancement in life.

The organisation has a long-standing contract with the Ministry of Social Development to provide a spectrum of services – advice, information and advocacy support for “single led” families and whānau. Fieldworkers respond to more than 80 cases a year in the region.

Donations from individuals and organisations are gratefully received and have funded childrens camps, school uniforms and much more.

Birthright conducted two SKIP projects (Strategies for Kids, Information for Parents) in Foxton and Ōtaki, working with communities to ensure that whānau are

healthy, safe, housed, educated, and socially connected.

Birthright is working towards becoming a registered Charitable Trust. Trustees are being sought who can help build a sustainable portfolio of resources and funding, and subsequently expand and diversify the team of front-line staff. Trustees would ideally be people with experience in diverse communities and bring a wide range of skills with them. An independent Chair of the Trust Board is also being sought. If you are interested in becoming a Trustee contact the current Chairperson adriansgregory@gmail.com, Ph: 027 479 1576.

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