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# Community Fruit trees replanted



Our Fruit trees, planted in 2021 with the support of The Mazda Foundation outside 68 Aorangi Street, have been moved to our community garden. The trees will be cared for there and are intended to produce fresh fruit for our community sharing table.



**Hato Hone  
St John**

We were fortunate to receive a donation of baby and children's goods from the Hato Hone St John Feilding Area Committee. Their members discussed the challenges food banks are facing during the current cost-of-living crisis and decided to lend a hand.

In the photo, Rex Wheeler the Chairperson of the Feilding Area Committee is pictured with Ann Williamson the Executive Manager of Manchester House Social Services.

## SENIORS EXPO

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Friday 25th October 2024  
Civic Centre Feilding  
10am-2pm

Mini Seminars

- Enduring power of attorney • Pre-paid funerals • Wills • Reverse mortgages

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During our 50th celebration two years ago, **Bridget Gowan** generously presented Manchester House with a stunning Korowai. We have since framed and prominently displayed the Korowai in our meeting room for everyone to admire. Now, let's hear the story from **Bridget Gowan...**



(The Manchester House feathered cloak is about connection. A joy to weave.)



I have named it '**Te Piringa**' - The Refuge.

Each element of this kahu huruhuru was carefully created to reflect the essential work and connections Manchester House contribute to our local community. The māwhitiwhiti at the top represents the intertwining of relationships, and the strength that comes from mahitahi. I chose to use black and white recycled tshirt yarn for this as it reminded me of making the most of the resources around us.

The bottom of the cloak has the same yarn used to resemble piupiu - a symbol of dancing together in celebration when challenges are overcome. The first feathers are the colours of the tui bird, who's distinct call is known far and wide, just as Manchester House has a long history of service known and seen throughout generations.

I also decided to use brown feathers across the centre, representing the work put in day in and out to better our people. May this cloak be a reminder of community wrapping around one another - when our people are at their most vulnerable.

## Community Xmas Lunch

Our Annual General Meeting is approaching. If you wish to become a member, feel free to call in to pay your membership fee or make an online payment.



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