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AOTEAROA

# ANNUAL REPORT



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# ENTITY INFORMATION

## 350 Aotearoa

### Nature of Business:

Charitable trust

### Charities Registration Number:

CC41367

### Staff Team:

Alva Feldmeier — Co-Director

Lisa McLaren — Co-Director

Adam Currie — Movement Support Manager

Iara Gelpi — Administrative Coordinator (outgoing)

Siobhán Friel — Administrative Coordinator (incoming)

### Board of Trustees:

Tania Sawicki Mead — Co-Chairperson

Kaeden Watts — Co-Chairperson

Andrea Black — Treasurer

Erica Brooks — Board Secretary

Áine Kelly-Costello — Board member

Holly Beals — Board member



# ABOUT US

## Mission Statement

We support a just transition to a [community-led renewable energy future](#) by fostering and enhancing a [resilient climate movement](#).

## Missional Context

We are part of a powerful climate movement in Aotearoa, working to deconstruct the pillars of support for the [fossil fuel industry](#) and dismantle the structures of oppression that enable it by running [strategic campaigns](#) and standing in [solidarity](#) with Māori, tangata Moana and frontline voices.





## Vision

Our vision is for a safe climate and a just, prosperous, and equitable world built with the power of engaged advocates.

### A true honouring of Te Tiriti

We believe in a future where tino rangatiratanga and mana motuhake is guaranteed to Māori; to the benefit of us as a collective society

### Interconnected & safe communities

We believe in a future where we have strong connections in our communities, and everyone feels safe and included

### A healthy Papatūānuku

We believe in a future where we ensure that our climate, air, rivers, moana oceania and land can thrive, creating a healthier future for all. Our communities will flourish when our relationship with Papatūānuku is restored.

### Resilient & accessible infrastructure

We believe in a future where our ways of living and travelling happen sustainably and are accessible to everyone.

### Alternative economic models for our society

We believe in a future where our economic systems can acknowledge our inherent interdependence with one another, whilst supporting everyone to live a comfortable life within the boundaries of a safe climate and thriving ecosystem.



## Values



**We value and are guided by Indigenous wisdom**



**We work towards justice and collective liberation**



**We are committed to grassroots-led change**



**We are accountable to past, present and future generations**

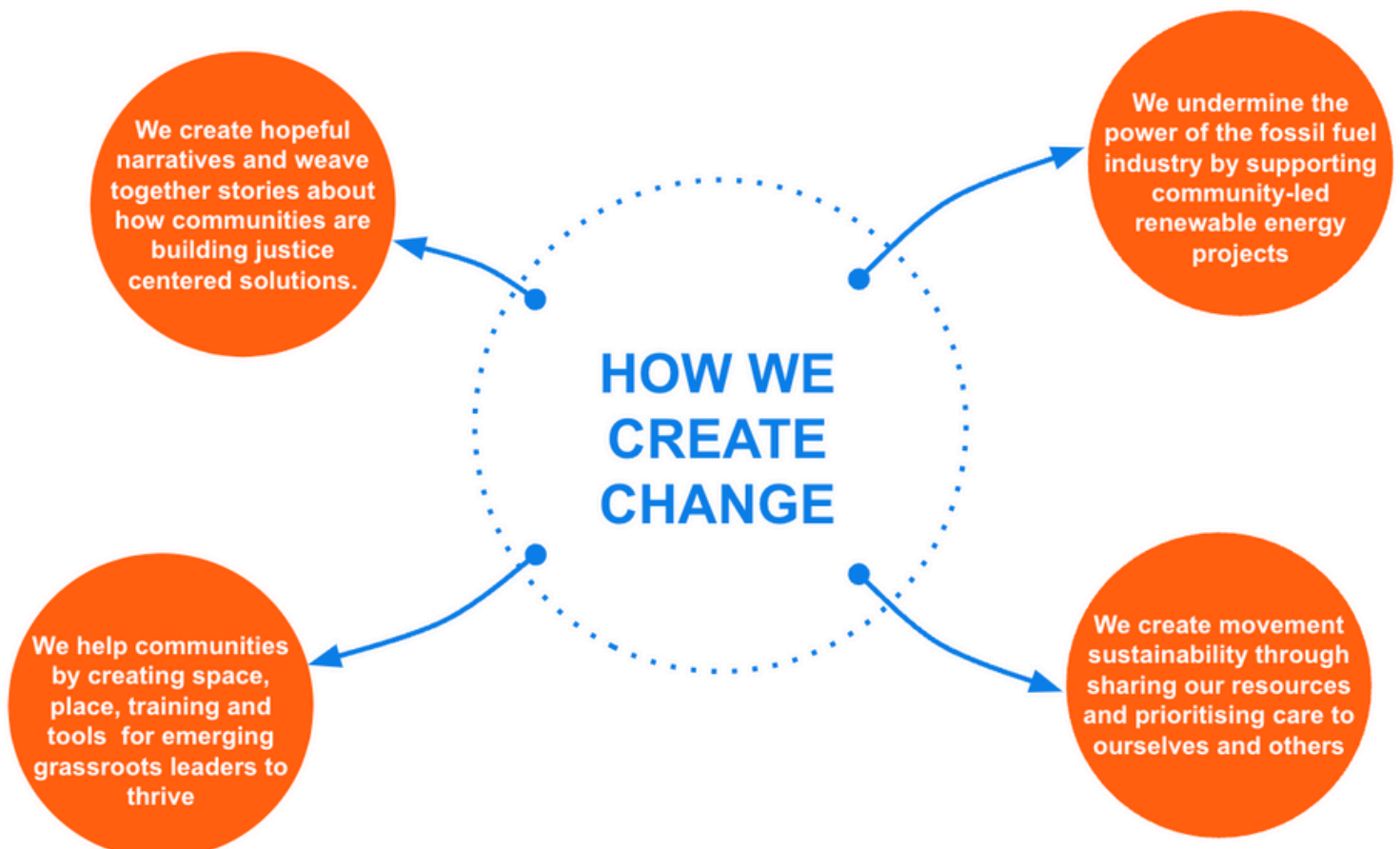


**We care for one another by creating safe, accessible and welcoming spaces.**



**We invest in meaningful collaboration**

## Our Theory of Change





## Te Tiriti Commitment

350 Aotearoa is guided by the four articles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in conjunction with He Whakaputanga o te Rangatiratanga o Nū Tīrene. We tautoko whānau, hapū and iwi assertions of mana motuhake and tino rangatiratanga. We recognise that hapū in Aotearoa never ceded sovereignty.

We recognise Mātauranga Māori is at the forefront of achieving climate justice in Aotearoa and our response to climate justice is guided, sustained and strengthened by the tangata whenua assertion of Tino rangatiratanga.

350 Aotearoa asserts that climate justice is only possible when whānau, hapū and iwi can realise kaitiakitanga and their aspirations for their rohe. We're committed to working in right relationship with mana whenua. We commit to constitutional transformation by actively working towards the recommendations set out by Matike Mai Aotearoa – The Independent Working Group on Constitutional Transformation.

To demonstrate our commitment to the Matike Mai recommendations, we actively support wider movement work to reform the 'kāwanatanga (crown) sphere', whilst supporting the expansion of the 'rangatiratanga (tangata whenua) sphere' which has yet to be recognised and respected by the crown. Working in right relationship means finding opportunities for appropriate collaboration, relationship building, and joint decision making processes, as we contribute towards the development of a functioning 'relational sphere'.

350 Aotearoa is an organisation grown out of the international 350.org movement, on a journey of being rooted in this land in right relationship with whānau, hapū and iwi. We are an organisation that acknowledges, supports, and prioritises te ao Māori and te reo Māori in relationship to being manuhiri of this whenua.

## Te Tiriti Commitment

We acknowledge the clear intersection of climate justice and Indigenous justice. The climate crisis is an intersectional issue that continues to uphold capitalist, colonial, white supremacist systems of oppression – and therefore disproportionately impacts marginalised communities.

Through our connection to the 350.org international community, we stand in solidarity with Indigenous, frontline, and marginalised communities across the world. We prioritise relationships with others in 350 Oceania and uphold our responsibility to act in solidarity with our Te Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa neighbours and whānau.

### For our 350 Board, staff, and volunteers living up to this commitment looks like:

**Relationships:** We prioritise relationship building with local Marae and kaupapa Māori initiatives and organisations. We do this through showing up to events such as environmental restoration days, working bees and land back occupations. In recent years, we've actively decided to host our annual volunteer wānanga at marae.

**Up-skilling:** We organise Te Tiriti Trainings for staff, volunteers and board members twice a year. We facilitate weekly Te Tiriti reflections in our core volunteer newsletter, where we share resources and learning based on things we've read, watched, listened to and experienced.

**Solidarity:** We support the wider movement fighting for tino rangatiratanga and mana motuhake by speaking up, making submissions, offering movement support, and helping supporters understand the connected struggles. We show and act in solidarity by linking global justice struggles to those experienced in Aotearoa. We assess the impact of the solutions we advocate for on people and communities around the world to centre climate justice in our work.

**In stating this commitment, we know we will make mistakes, but we are committed to learning from these and making things right.**



# CO-CHAIR REPORT

TANIA SAWICKI-MEAD & KAEDEN WATTS



Kia ora koutou,

The past year has been a challenging time for the climate justice movement. Across Aotearoa, we have witnessed a tide of political decisions that threaten to unravel hard-won protections for our climate, our communities, our most vulnerable, and our collective future. Policies and practices that once offered hope for a more just, equitable, and sustainable world have, too often, been met with rollbacks and resistance.

Yet, in the face of these headwinds, our solidarity has only strengthened. In moments of uncertainty, we have seen the 350 Aotearoa whānau, kaimahi, volunteers, and supporters rise up with courage and fierce determination. Together, we have stood shoulder-to-shoulder with tangata whenua, defended our taiao, and amplified the voices of those often left unheard.

This year, our movement has been called to action time and again. We have marched, chanted, written, and rallied, choosing not to accept the injustice, but instead rise against it through collective action. Whether it was standing in solidarity with communities on the frontlines of environmental harm, rallying in the halls of power, or pushing back against policies that undermine social equity, 350 Aotearoa has been there – sometimes leading, sometimes supporting, but always present.

In the face of this challenging context we believe it is even more vital that we remain focused on our long term vision for 350 Aotearoa as an organization, and the role we can play in building a climate safe future for the planet we call home.

As a governance team, we are deeply grateful to our kaimahi and volunteers of 350 Aotearoa for their relentless energy, compassion, and unwillingness to be bystanders to injustice. Your unwavering commitment to social and climate justice is the backbone of our kaupapa.

We were also thrilled to welcome new Board member Andrea Black, who has taken on the Treasurer role, joining a team of thoughtful and determined trustees who we are lucky to work with every day.

To everyone who has stood with us, whether you've opened an email, turned up to an action, donated your time or your resources – ngā mihi nui. You are the reason our kaupapa endures. As we look ahead, we remain steadfast in our commitment to justice, equity, and a thriving planet for all.

Mauri ora,

Tania & Kaeden

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tania Sawicki-Mead'.A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kaeden Watts'.

# CO-DIRECTOR REFLECTIONS

## A look back on the past year with Alva Feldmeier, 350 Aotearoa Co-Director

Since writing my contribution to last year's annual report, we've had one of our most powerful and demanding years yet at 350 Aotearoa. Like so many in this movement fighting for climate justice, a livable planet, and a better future, I didn't know what the year ahead would hold for us. What unfolded was a reminder of both the weight of the challenges we face, and the deep well of courage and commitment that lives in our community.

The year began with a real anchor point for me: our annual volunteer hui. This gathering of some of our most active and long-standing organisers came just after we finalised our new 2030 Strategic Plan. It was a moment to bring our long-term vision back to the people who had helped shape it — a collective celebration of where we're going, and who we're going with. The hui was full of energy, reflection, and deepening relationships. It affirmed our values and reminded me that our greatest strength lies in our people.

Soon after, the Government released an Emissions Reduction Plan that was, frankly, not worth the paper it was printed on. It marked a warning sign of what was to come: a year of policy backsliding, corporate greenwashing, and an emboldened fossil fuel industry. But it also marked the beginning of a year where we grew bolder and more strategic in our resistance.

Our energy justice work continued with sharp analysis and pointed critique, shining a light on gentailers like Contact and Mercury, who continued to profit from fossil fuels and energy poverty. We launched our Methanexit report, exposing how public money continues to prop up New Zealand's largest gas user, and laying the groundwork for deeper public understanding of our energy landscape. Alongside this, we formed our energy campaign team and supported our local groups who have been leading grassroots efforts to push for more resilient and equitable public infrastructure, from better bike lanes to more affordable public transport, essential pieces of a just transition that serves all our communities.

But the most defining arc of the year was the Fast-track fight. As this government moved to dismantle environmental protections and sideline community voices, we came together with allies to build a powerful coalition: Communities Against the Fast Track.

The campaign grew fast and fierce. We trained hundreds in new tactics, supported local organising, and worked closely with researchers to start preparing for the next stage, directly opposing the destructive projects themselves. This was people power in motion, and a testament to how quickly our movement can scale up when it matters most.

It was also a year of deeper learning. 350 staff and volunteers were privileged to take part in Hikoī mō Te Tiriti, alongside thousands who walked from Northland to Parliament in defence of Te Tiriti o Waitangi.





# CO-DIRECTOR REFLECTIONS

This experience was both humbling and galvanising. We're learning, and unlearning, both as an organisation and individuals, as we strengthen our understanding of the intersection between climate justice and Tiriti justice. The years ahead must be marked by deepening this work.

As the Fast-track campaign evolved, we moved into a new phase of directly resisting its worst projects, including a proposed waste incinerator plant, seabed mining, and new coal mines. We've been buoyed by the creativity and resilience of our volunteer network, who are balancing these fights with local-led action and fresh leadership.

One exciting development has been the formation of a new rangatahi Māori rūpū: activists I've had the joy of supporting behind the scenes. More on this soon, but it's safe to say the future is in good hands.

While the government and global forces of oppression try to drown us in despair, we've begun working on something bold: a future-focused project to shift the public agenda and define the vision for the transformation Aotearoa needs. It's still in the early stages, but I believe it's going to be a key part of how we reclaim the narrative and push for deep, systemic change.

I'm writing this after a morning in court, facing criminal charges for my part in a peaceful coal protest on the West Coast over Easter. And honestly, despite the nuisance of navigating the legal system for an action that was sorely needed, I feel cheerful and clear. This work continues to excite me. The community around us is getting stronger. Our movement is maturing. And the road ahead, while steep, feels full of promise.

We've always said this is a long haul. But together, step by step, we are building something powerful, enduring, and deeply rooted in care, courage, and collective power.

Ngā mihi maioha,  
Alva Feldmeier  
Co-Director, 350 Aotearoa



## Looking forward with Dr Lisa McLaren (QSM), 350 Aotearoa Co-Director

With the success of our work over the last year, we are so proud to be playing a part in securing a safe climate and a just, prosperous, and equitable future for all. We're grateful to do this work alongside the power of our amazing volunteer community.

As we plan for the year ahead, we are both excited and daunted by what's to come. Our work programme is full: preparing for two elections, responding to changes in government policy, supporting our local and campaign teams, being relentless advocates for renewable energy while campaigning against fossil fuels, and helping shape a national policy package that centres climate justice and constitutional transformation.

We see the upcoming elections, local government in 2025 and central government in 2026, as opportunities to get our key campaign asks into the political spotlight. Alongside direct political lobbying, we're gearing up to support communities to turn out to local election meetings and ask challenging questions of potential candidates.

We will continue our successful approach of being a movement-generous organisation, one that shares resources and supports kaupapa wider than our own in solidarity with others. As the government accelerates anti-climate policies, we will fast-track our own rapid-response campaigns to stop these destructive projects and make space for justice-centred solutions to emerge.

# CO-DIRECTOR REFLECTIONS

We'll keep catalysing the phase-out of fossil fuels and pushing for the expansion of renewable energy infrastructure, including community-led energy generation.

We are campaigning for the New Zealand government to develop a strategic, long-term plan for the country's energy transition, a critical gap that's currently driving underinvestment in renewables and backsliding on promises to phase out fossil fuels.

The potential resurgence of coal mining will remain a key focus. For many of us, it's shocking that we even need to campaign against new coal mines, a damning sign of how far this government has backtracked on a decade of climate progress. We will continue to ramp up pressure on fossil fuel companies and the businesses that support them. Here's looking at you, Bathurst Resources and ANZ Bank. Bold, creative actions will remain central to our work, with increased focus on place-based organising in local communities.

To deepen and scale our impact, we've spent the past year exploring how we can help drive a movement-wide campaign focused on deeper systems change. The beginnings of our Green New Deal-style policy package are already navigating the complexities of constitutional transformation and climate justice. Though still in its early stages, this project is shaping up to bring together a group of thought leaders to build a strategic, collaborative, and bold vision for the societal transformation we urgently need.

Our local group volunteers will continue to be the heart of our organisation. We're committed to supporting both current and new groups of climate campaigners. That means creating space, tools, and training for emerging grassroots leaders to thrive. We'll identify and mentor volunteer leaders to provide consistency, direction, and longevity to our local groups. We're also focused on continuing our financial stability, supporting a small staff team that can reduce pressure on volunteers while providing clear leadership and strategy.

We will keep crafting hopeful narratives and weaving together stories about how communities are building justice-centred solutions. Alongside our allies, partners, and 350 Oceania colleagues, we will continue to advocate for solutions rooted in justice, equity, and Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Dr Lisa McLaren  
Co-Director, 350 Aotearoa






# OUR IMPACT

IN FY25



**44 Online & Offline Events**



**21,833 People Involved in Our Events**



**1 Petition Delivered**



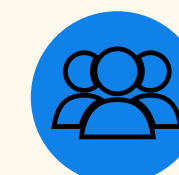
**74 Media Mentions**



**238 New Volunteers Joined**



**113K People Engaged on Social Media**



**6 Volunteer Groups Supported**

## KEY CAMPAIGN WINS

### FORCED THE CANCELLATION OF 2024'S IN-PERSON TARANAKI FOSSIL FUEL CONFERENCE

After years of sustained pressure and direct action targeting fossil fuel conferences, we succeeded in forcing the cancellation of all in-person elements of the 2024 Energy Resources Taranaki Forum. This annual event, hosted by fossil fuel lobby group Energy Resources Aotearoa (formerly PEPANZ), was set to take place in June, but mounting public opposition and campaigning made it untenable. This is a huge victory not just for 350 Aotearoa, but for the wider climate justice movement. It's proof that our resistance is working, and that we are actively disrupting the fossil fuel industry's ability to operate and expand in Aotearoa.

### FAST-TRACK DISRUPTED

While the Fast-track Approvals Bill ultimately passed, our campaign delivered key wins. 350 Aotearoa helped drive the submission of 27,000 responses, with over 90% opposing the bill, and played a leading role in building a broad national coalition. Our creative resistance and public pressure tactics pushed some companies to commit not to use the Fast-track process and forced the government to release hidden documents. We also secured significant amendments to the bill, including mandatory consultation requirements and the removal of unchecked ministerial powers.

### WASTE INCINERATION PROJECT STYMIED

When a waste incinerator proposal in Waimate was fast-tracked by the government, 350 Aotearoa supported a powerful campaign led by Why Waste Waimate. Together with local groups, the council, rūnanga, and the school community, the campaign stripped the project of its social licence and blocked access to land for the plant. The company behind the project has now abandoned plans in Waimate, a major win for local organising, and we'll continue to resist their attempt to relocate to Kaipara.

# CAMPAIGN UPDATES

## END THE FAST-TRACK

In the last year and half, 350 Aotearoa was an integral part of nationwide resistance to the Fast-track Approvals Bill, a sweeping attempt by the government to strip away democratic process, environmental protections, and Te Tiriti o Waitangi obligations in favour of rapid approvals for polluting developments.

Despite the bill passing, our campaign helped delay, disrupt, and dilute its most extreme powers, and built powerful public and political opposition along the way. The campaign mobilised a broad cross-section of society and set the foundation for ongoing resistance to fast-tracked fossil fuel and waste infrastructure.

We helped drive over 27,000 public submissions on the bill, more than 90% opposing it, while leading or supporting tactics including submission parties, oral submission training, public protests, lobbying, and a high-impact final action inside Parliament itself.

During the third reading of the bill, activists dropped banners and disrupted proceedings inside the debating chamber.

We used Official Information Act (OIA) requests and Ombudsman complaints to force the release of key documents, shining a light on backroom dealings and secret project lists the government had attempted to suppress.





Working alongside a famous investigative journalist, we hosted an OIA training for campaigners and launched follow-up webinars to equip communities with tools to fight fast-track projects in their areas. A mapping tool was developed to publicly track fast-track project locations and impacts.

Together with allies like Why Waste Waimate and Zero Waste Network, we supported local campaigns opposing specific projects, from submitting to the EPA on the Te Awamutu waste incinerator to supporting plume modelling research for a potential incinerator site in Kaipara. We also conducted a community survey to better understand what support people need to resist fast-track developments locally.

Our team ran a range of narrative interventions, including a satirical video highlighting the secrecy surrounding fast-track projects, and we co-developed letter-writing and social media campaigns with creatives.

We co-signed and placed a full-page open letter ad in the NZ Herald, holding the government to account for undermining Te Tiriti and Te Taiao, and helped coordinate cross-movement messaging.

Notably, we achieved several key policy amendments to the final bill, including mandatory consultation provisions and a requirement for expert panels to assess projects, pushing back against unchecked ministerial power. The release of the project list, which was made public a month earlier than expected following pressure from our campaign and allies, further demonstrated the government's vulnerability to public scrutiny.

As we move into the next phase, this campaign has not only shaped a more transparent and accountable process but built the infrastructure to challenge every fast-tracked fossil fuel or climate-wrecking proposal that follows.



Photo: Robert Kitchen



# STOP DENNISTON'S COAL MONSTER

Following the passing of the fast-track legislation, we shifted focus to resisting the individual fossil fuel projects it enables, with coal at the top of our list.

Of the projects likely to use the fast-track process, the two most dangerous are the proposed mega coal mines at Rotowaro (Waikato) and Denniston (West Coast). Combined, their lifetime emissions would exceed 66 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> - more than New Zealand's total annual emissions. The proposed Denniston mine alone accounts for an estimated 53 million tonnes.

350 Aotearoa has made the Denniston coal mine our top priority, with allied groups focused on Rotowaro. Bathurst Resources, the company behind both mines, is aggressively pushing for expansion, and we're fighting back.

In April 2025, we helped lead a large-scale protest targeting the Denniston project, elevating public opposition and media scrutiny. Our work is amplifying a growing resistance on the Coast and nationwide.







Alongside on-the-ground actions, we launched a national petition and targeted campaign urging ANZ Bank to cut ties with Bathurst Resources, the company behind the proposed Denniston and Rotowaro coal mines, and to fully phase out fossil fuel finance by 2030. This effort doesn't just target ANZ, but sends a broader message to the banking sector: continuing to bankroll fossil fuel expansion is incompatible with a liveable climate future.

As part of this campaign, nine powerful actions took place across the country, coordinated by local 350 Aotearoa teams. These actions build on nearly a decade of campaigning for fossil-free banking and mark a new phase of pressure, going after the financial pillars propping up the coal industry.

Our movement is building. We're determined to stop the coal monster and show that fast-track doesn't mean free pass.





# ENERGY CAMPAIGN

In the wake of the winter energy crisis in 2024, we learned valuable lessons about the vulnerabilities of New Zealand's energy infrastructure and the impacts of climate change exacerbated by the practices of the gentailer cartel. This experience reinforced our commitment to advocating for resilient, community-led energy solutions that prioritise climate resilience and equitable access to renewable energy.

Following the last few years of 350 Aotearoa's Homegrown Energy Campaign, we launched a new volunteer Energy Campaign Team, an issue-based group with the same support and structure we provide to local groups. Their focus is on building momentum for a national energy strategy that phases out fossil fuels and invests in affordable, renewable energy for all.

Alongside this campaign team, a researcher was contracted to explore issues in the energy system, especially energy narratives, connections to Te Tiriti justice, and 'levers' we could pull to make a difference for energy transition to be used for renewable energy/just transition campaigning in 2025. The research will be used by volunteers, allies, and staff for future campaign strategy development.

We also co-published a major new research report, Methanexit: Should NZ Be Subsidising Our Largest Gas User?, in collaboration with CICTAR and Common Grace Aotearoa. The report exposes how Methanex, which uses up to 45% of Aotearoa's fossil gas, has received over \$300 million in public subsidies over the past decade. This has helped keep energy prices high and delayed investment in clean energy.

To coincide with the report launch, we called on Minister Watts to review the industrial allocation scheme that props up companies like Methanex. E tū Union supported the call, advocating for a just transition for Taranaki energy workers and affirming: "Natural gas is not the answer for Aotearoa's energy future."



# END PRIVATE JETS

350 Aotearoa staff collaborated with volunteers' six month sprint campaign to expose the climate harm caused by luxury emissions, and build public support for targeting the most wasteful, least necessary sources of pollution. The campaign aimed to connect the dots between excess wealth and climate injustice, while also strengthening the capacity and creativity of our local groups.

We chose to focus on private jets as a powerful example of inequality in the climate crisis. Per passenger, private jets produce up to 15 times more emissions than commercial flights, yet the people already suffering the worst impacts of climate change are those least responsible and least likely to ever board a plane, let alone a private jet.

Our staff supported local teams across the country to take action in their communities. These included both airport-focused protests and creative street interventions:

In Tāmaki Makaurau, Ōtautahi, and Pāmutana, local teams launched the campaign with striking photo actions: volunteers dressed as ultra-wealthy private jet users walked red carpets toward airports, flanked by banners reading "End Private Jets."

In Ōtautahi and Tāmaki, groups hosted poster runs and potluck evenings, combining community-building with public outreach.

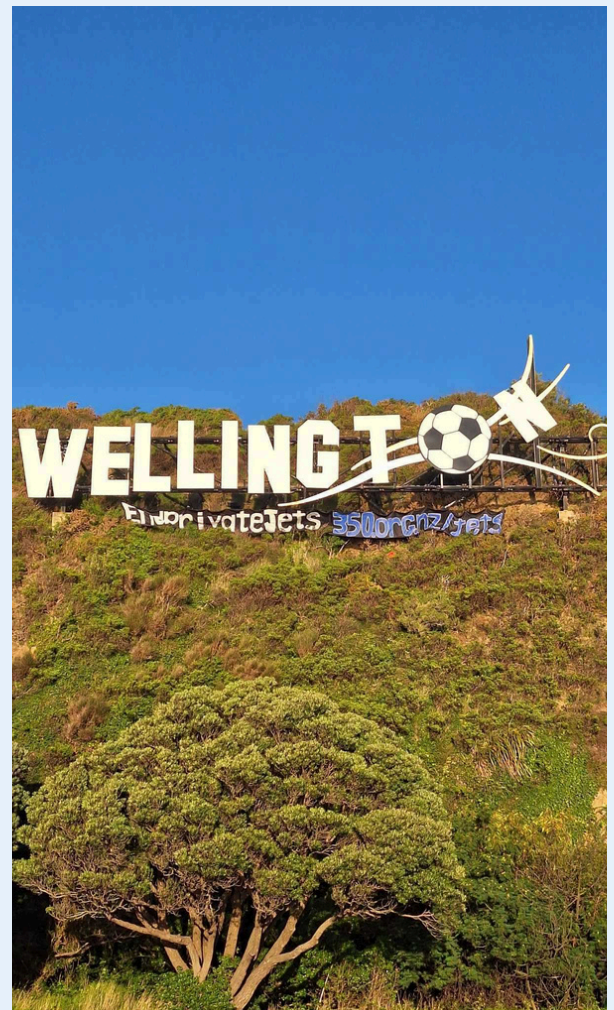
In Pōneke, volunteers spent months handcrafting a massive banner that they hung beneath the iconic Wellington sign near the airport, a bold visual protest visible to thousands.

The Tāmaki team also hosted a postcard-writing night, urging the CEO of Auckland Airport to take action on private aviation.

Finally, volunteers across the motu staged a banner drop over Wellington's motorway leading to the airport, making sure the message reached both travellers and the public.

The campaign sparked widespread interest, and its policy impact was tangible: the Green Party adopted a version of our tax proposal and included it in their 2025 Green Budget.

This is a clear example of how our strategic campaigning, combining local action, public engagement, and strong messaging, can influence mainstream political discourse and move the needle on climate justice



# PŌNEKE

## LOCAL CAMPAIGN

### CLIMATE POSITIVE INFRASTRUCTURE

350 Pōneke's local campaign is focused on building a thriving, connected, and climate-resilient city, starting with better infrastructure for low-emissions transport. The first phase of the campaign has zeroed in on cycle lanes, a hotly contested issue in Wellington over the past year.

Cycle infrastructure is a future-focused solution that tackles climate emissions, improves urban health, and makes our cities more liveable. But despite clear evidence of these benefits, a small but vocal group has been blaming cycle lanes for Wellington's broader economic challenges, claims not supported by data. 350 Pōneke volunteers knew this didn't reflect the views of their wider community.

To shift the narrative, the team has been actively campaigning to show Wellington City Council that residents do support cycle lanes and want the city to move forward with the Pōneke Pōneke bike network, a project council has already committed to.

Volunteers are also working to ensure cycle lane support becomes a key issue in the lead-up to the 2025 local government elections.

Over the past six months, the team has recorded interviews with a diverse cross-section of local community members about why cycle lanes matter.

These video interviews have been shared on social media to great effect, with more to be released throughout 2025. They also ran a month-long Phantom Billstickers poster campaign across central Wellington in April–May 2025 to raise public awareness and support.

This campaign is helping to build public pressure and positive visibility for climate-ready infrastructure, ensuring Wellington leads the way on climate action through people-centred urban design.





# TĀMAKI MAKAUROU LOCAL CAMPAIGN

## FREE FARES AND CONGESTION CHARGING



350 Auckland has been actively campaigning for more equitable and climate-friendly transport in Tāmaki Makaurau, focusing on free fares and ensuring congestion charging works for people and the planet.

Over the past six months, the team worked with the national Free Fares coalition to push for free public transport for students, one of the groups most affected by transport poverty. In the wake of fare increases, students across Auckland are facing serious financial strain, with some forced to skip classes or cut back on essentials like food. To highlight the scale of the problem, 350 Auckland surveyed 743 students from the University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology. The survey revealed that 85% use public transport more than three times per week, and 70% would use it more if it were affordable.

The group met with staff from both universities to advocate for institutional support and urged them to join the Free Fares movement. Their message was clear: free student fares would support a healthier, more equitable, and more accessible transport system, with co-benefits for mental health, academic performance, and climate resilience.

In mid-2025, the team pivoted to respond to new national legislation on congestion charging, officially known as the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill. While congestion charging can be a useful climate tool, equity and reinvestment are critical.

The Tāmaki Makaurau team made both written and oral submissions on the bill, calling for key changes to the current draft. Those changes included directing revenue into public transport and climate resilience projects; expanding exemptions to include local bus services and some disabled vehicle users; upgrading public transport systems before any charges begin; increasing local government decision-making power; introducing legislation as soon as it's passed; allowing for short-term trials; and ensuring any pricing mechanisms prioritise low-income and high-needs users.

This work continues 350 Auckland's commitment to climate justice through community-led campaigns that centre fairness, accessibility, and real climate solutions.

# 350 GLOBAL

## A snapshot from the global movement

This past year has seen powerful movement-building, landmark wins, and coordinated resistance across continents, reminding us of the global scale of our struggle - and our solidarity. As climate injustice deepens and fossil fuel interests continue to dig in, communities from the Pacific to the Amazon are rising up with clarity, courage, and creativity.

350.org has continued to play a central role in connecting local fights to a global movement for climate justice. Through gatherings, campaigns, and bold action, 350.org and its allies are growing people power and pushing decision-makers to act.

Here are just a few highlights from the global movement:

### Renew Our Power: Global Gathering in Brazil

*Brasilia, April 2025*

In April, over 200 climate activists from 70+ countries gathered in Brasília for the Renew Our Power summit - an international convergence of climate organisers, frontline leaders, and movement strategists. Hosted by 350.org, the event brought thousands more online in one of the largest global gatherings for grassroots climate leaders in recent years.

The week began in powerful solidarity with over 6,000 Indigenous leaders at the Free Land Camp (Acampamento Terra Livre), the largest Indigenous mobilisation in Brazil, where climate activists marched alongside communities defending their land and future.

Workshops focused on themes like community-led energy, using renewables as resistance, and accelerating policy change. The gathering culminated in a movement declaration, "The Answer is Us," and an open letter to the COP30 President calling for an end to fossil fuels and a just transition led by Indigenous and frontline communities.







## Power to the Ballot — 350 Pacific *Pacific, 2024-2025*

In the lead-up to the Australian federal election, 350 Pacific launched the Pawa to the Ballot campaign, mobilising Pacific Islander communities across Australia to make their voices heard at the polls. Recognising the significant Pacific diaspora in regions like Western Sydney, the campaign aimed to elevate Pacific climate priorities in the national political discourse.

The campaign focused on empowering Pacific communities by providing resources and information to ensure Pacific Islanders were informed and engaged voters. It also advocated for climate justice by highlighting the urgent need for Australia to end its reliance on fossil fuels and transition to renewable energy, in line with the concerns of Pacific nations on the frontlines of climate change. In addition, the campaign called for a just transition - one that ensures job security, fair training opportunities, and migration pathways for Pacific Islanders as Australia shifts to a sustainable energy future.

Community workshops, voter enrollment drives, and educational materials formed the core of the campaign. A central feature was the "Our Pawa" petition, which urged the Australian government to commit to a fossil fuel-free Pacific and to raise its climate ambitions in 2025.

By centring Pacific voices in Australia's electoral process, Pawa to the Ballot exemplified the power of diaspora communities in advocating for climate action and justice.





## Major Win: Chubb Becomes 30th Insurer to Drop EACOP

### Global / East Africa

In April 2025, Chubb, one of the world's largest fossil fuel insurers, announced it would not provide coverage for the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP), becoming the 30th major insurer to do so. This decision aligns with Chubb's updated conservation policy, which restricts underwriting oil and gas projects in sensitive biodiversity and protected areas, a category that includes EACOP's route through Uganda and Tanzania.

The EACOP project has faced widespread criticism for its potential environmental and social impacts, including the displacement of over 100,000 people and threats to critical ecosystems like Murchison Falls National Park. Chubb's withdrawal is a testament to the persistent efforts of frontline communities and climate justice advocates who have campaigned against the pipeline for years.

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Rachel Tugume, a Ugandan community member affected by the project, expressed hope following the announcement: "EACOP has brought only suffering - forced evictions, destroyed farms, and broken futures for our children. No amount of money can replace what we've lost, but seeing global companies reject this project gives us hope. The world is finally listening to our cries."

Chubb's decision adds momentum to the global movement challenging fossil fuel infrastructure and underscores the growing financial and reputational risks associated with such projects.

These stories are just a few examples of the powerful, people-led organising happening in every corner of the globe. From Aotearoa to the Amazon, our movements are connected - and our power is growing.

# TREASURER REPORT

Financial Overview from Andrea Black, 350 Aotearoa Treasurer



It is with great pleasure that I write my first Treasurer's Report for 350 Aotearoa. While my background is in tax, I previously had the privilege of serving as Treasurer for JustSpeak, where I first worked with Tania, now one of our Co-Chairs, who was Director at the time.

I'm delighted to report that 350 Aotearoa is in excellent financial health, thanks in large part to the hard work of our staff, volunteers, and Board.

We began the year on a high with the successful 350 Auction x Everybody Eats Dinner event in Tāmaki Makaurau, raising over \$16,000 and bringing together supporters, donors, and board members for an evening of climate action and community.

This year, we received generous funding from the Clare Foundation, Global Greengrants Fund, Lush Community Pot, 350.org, Radical Action Grants, the Carbon Critical Net Zero Trust, and others, enabling us to deliver bold campaigns across the motu.

We also received the second, third, and final distributions of the generous bequest from A. L. Spitz. The Board and Co-Directors decided to honour this legacy by ethically and fossil-free investing the funds to sustain the organisation's work through to 2030. This bequest has been the foundation of our current financial strength. Bequests like this are rare and powerful, they provide long-term security and the freedom to plan bold, strategic work for climate justice.

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With this additional income, we thoughtfully expanded our team to include two full-time Co-Directors, a part-time rapid response campaigner, and administrative support, significantly increasing our capacity.

We met our fundraising goals this year, giving us confidence and stability as we look ahead to the next financial year.

It's a pleasure to report that over 150 regular donors continue to give weekly or monthly, providing consistent support for our work. Hundreds more chipped in to support our Annual Hui, our fight against the Fast-track Bill, and coal resistance campaigns like the one on the Denniston Plateau. This community of support forms the financial backbone of our work.

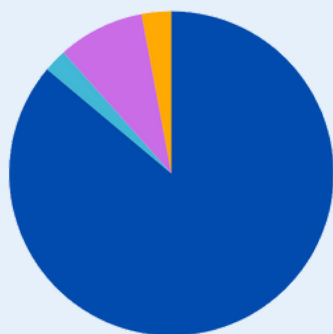
Although I've only officially held this role since the beginning of the year, the awhi and support I've received have made me hopeful that I'll be in this role for many years to come. I'd like to thank all our donors, volunteers, and staff, without whom the groundbreaking work of 350 Aotearoa would not be possible.

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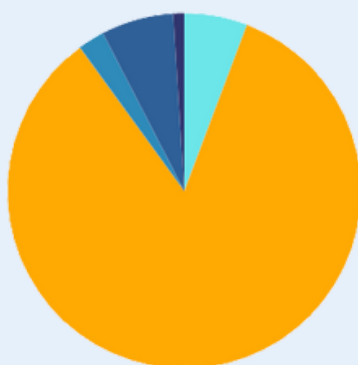


## FY25 FINANCIALS



### Revenue

		2025	2024
86.10%	Donations, koha, bequests and other general fundraising activities	810,901	109,078
2.31%	General grants	21,766	23,885
8.60%	Non-government service delivery grants/contracts	81,326	98,007
0.01%	Revenue from commercial activities	106	445
2.94%	Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	27,693	16,336
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>941,792</b>	<b>247,751</b>



### Expenses

		2025	2024
5.78%	Expenses related to fundraising	19,550	22,097
84.18%	Employee remuneration and other related expenses	284,785	183,017
2.43%	Volunteer related expenses	8,216	8,007
6.61%	Other expenses related to service delivery	22,376	19,262
1.00%	Other expenses	3,389	2,831
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>338,317</b>	<b>235,213</b>

<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year</b>	<b>603,475</b>	<b>12,538</b>
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## ASSETS

Current Assets	31 Mar 2025	31 Mar 2024
Cash and short-term deposits	390,765	251,253
Investments	325,204	307,039
Other Current Assets	14,346	12,520
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>730,314</b>	<b>570,812</b>
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	995	1,990
Investments	436,800	-
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<b>437,795</b>	<b>1,990</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,168,110</b>	<b>572,802</b>

## LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities	31 Mar 2025	31 Mar 2024
Creditors and accrued expenses	-	500
Employee costs payable	6,696	-
Other current liabilities	80,371	94,735
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>87,068</b>	<b>95,235</b>

**Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets):**  
**\$1,081,402**

# THANK YOU

To everyone who has marched, donated, organised, spoken out, or stood up, thank you. Our movement is powerful because of people like you. Together, we've challenged fossil fuel giants, shifted public opinion, and pushed for real political change in Aotearoa.

But the fight is far from over. The fossil fuel industry still holds political influence, and communities on the frontlines of climate change continue to bear the brunt of inaction. To keep up the momentum, we need your continued support, now more than ever.

## WHY YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

350 Aotearoa is a small, nimble, and determined organisation that punches far above its weight. We don't take money from governments or corporations. That means everything we do is powered by people like you. Your donations fund strategic campaigns, grassroots organising, and the bold actions needed to dismantle the fossil fuel industry and build a just, fossil-free future.

Whether it's through a monthly donation, volunteering your time, or leaving a legacy gift, your contribution helps drive real climate action in Aotearoa.

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