



KATIKATI COMMUNITY CENTRE CHARITABLE TRUST



2025

ANNUAL REPORT

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A word from our Manager

Dear members of the Katikati community,

The past year has been one of steady progress, careful change, and continued commitment to supporting the wellbeing of the Katikati community. Despite operating in a challenging funding environment and responding to increasingly complex needs, the Centre has remained a welcoming, well-used hub where people feel supported and connected. Difficult but necessary decisions were made to protect long-term sustainability, including changes to staffing roles and the closure of the After School Care service, and I am grateful for the resilience and professionalism shown by staff throughout this period. Demand for our Community Advocate service continued to grow, alongside strong participation in programmes for seniors, families, and rangatahi, including Poutama and Calm'r, which support confidence, wellbeing, and pathways forward. Collaboration with local hapū, mana whenua, and community partners has remained a strong focus, reinforcing the belief that the best outcomes are achieved together. The Centre's strength lies in the collective efforts of our staff, volunteers, trustees, and supporters, and while the year ahead remains uncertain, our strong foundations and shared purpose give confidence as we continue to adapt and serve our community.

Ngā mihi nui to everyone
who has supported the
Centre this year.

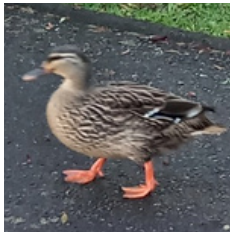
Warm regards,
Nicky Austin
Centre Manager



Katikati Community Centre

Charitable Trust

For 33 years, Katikati Community Centre has been a vital hub at the heart of the local community. Residents come here for practical assistance and genuine, person-to-person support. The Centre offers a welcoming space where people can gather, connect, work, and play. It also serves as a central access point for health and wellbeing services that might otherwise require travel to Tauranga. The Centre's doors are open to all residents of Katikati, regardless of race, religion, background, or circumstance.



Our Vision

A thriving, connected community



Our Mission

A thriving, connected community



Our Purpose

A caring, not-for-profit organisation providing accessible, accountable, high-quality information, services and programmes to meet the needs of the Katikati community in the areas of health, education and wellbeing.

Date of Incorporation:

18 November 2022

Date founded:

13 May 1993

Contact:

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Charity Registration Number:

CC59674

GST No.

135-358-835

NZBN

942 905 050 3728

Total Assets:

\$975,186

Our team

● General Manager

Nicky Austin

● Reception

Robyn Walters, Tracey Burton,
Di Free

● Business Administrator

Sally Goodyear

● Adult Education & Room Bookings

Sonya Mischewski

● Community Advocate & School Holiday Programme Coordinator

Rochelle Morrow

● Team Leader

Jan de Faye

● Child & Youth Services

Rochelle Morrow with Shona Graham,
Phoebe Graham-Cox, Lynne Smith, Leigh
Landman, Jane Munro, Heather Scott

● Poutama

Shaun Tata, Sjaan Rounds, Piripi Paraeana

Our board

● Chair

Carole Parker (Acting)

● Secretary

Lucy Vallely

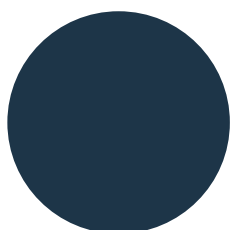
● Treasurer

Zinta Krumins

● Board members

Rita Elliott

As at June 2026



2025 at a glance

	<u>2025</u>
Enquiries for information and advice	12,168
Youths engaged in Poutama youth employment programme	54
Whanau engaged with the Community Advocate service	181
Volunteer hours	1,253
External room bookings (hours)	4,281
Community van enquiries	2,454
Wise & Wonderful attendees on average each week	37
Adult education courses offered	30
Adult education participants	279
Antenatal courses	4
Total mobility scheme assessments	33
Katikids school holiday programme average daily attendees	31
\$\$\$ Raised at our Blue Brunch for Prostate Cancer Foundation	\$290
\$\$\$ Raised at our Community Pink Breakfast for NZ Breast Cancer Foundation	\$1,000
Tonnes of food saved from landfill	45,651
Number of free Community Picnics	4
Number of free Community Breakfasts	44
Community Christmas lunch attendees	140
Facebook followers	2792



Adult Education



Total courses

26

Total students

279

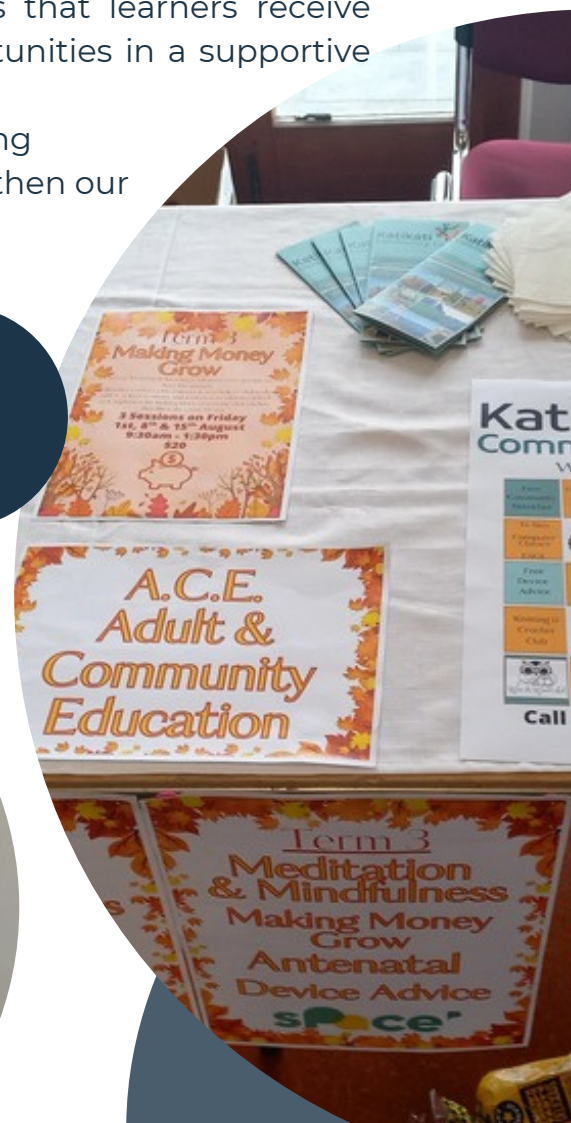
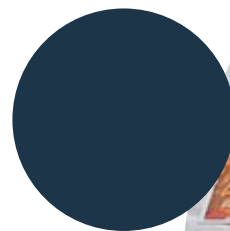
Total hours

3268

The Katikati Community Centre continues to deliver a diverse and accessible Adult Education programme, supporting lifelong learning within our community. With funding from the Tertiary Education Commission, we are able to offer a range of affordable courses that encourage personal development, skill-building, and social connection.

Our programmes are facilitated by experienced and knowledgeable local tutors who bring a high standard of expertise and a strong understanding of community needs. Their commitment ensures that learners receive quality, relevant, and engaging educational opportunities in a supportive environment.

We remain committed to providing inclusive learning opportunities that empower individuals and strengthen our community.



Community Advocate



Number of people/whanau helped in 2025:

261

Every day, on average, four people call or visit the Centre seeking help from our Community Advocate. Sometimes the support needed is something relatively small like help with their mobile phone, or something that we can refer to another agency such as budget advice, IRD or the Foodbank. Sometimes, however, people come to us feeling overwhelmed by a problem and unsure where to start. They need someone to guide them through a process, explain their options, and advocate on their behalf. A common example is people struggling to access support through WINZ and not making progress on their own.

The issues people face are diverse, but the demand for this service is constant. The Community Centre has become a trusted place where people know they can come for practical help, support, and guidance.

Rochelle took over the role of Community Advocate in August 2025, - a role she does in addition to organizing our school holiday programmes and the SPACE mothers and babies programme. She has quickly established herself as a knowledgeable and compassionate advocate. She has a natural ability to connect with people, understand their circumstances, and help them navigate challenges so they can move forward with confidence.

This service is making a significant difference in the lives of many individuals and families in our community. Yet, despite its proven impact and ongoing demand, it remains one of the most difficult services for us to secure sustainable funding for.

What we do:

- Work and Income support
- Job seeker support
- Advocacy
- Help with government agencies
- Help with online services
- Connection to community groups
- Counselling referrals
- Foodbank referrals
- Budgeting support
- *and more!*

Poutama Pathways for Rangatahi continued to provide intensive employment and life-skills support for young people aged 15–24 years throughout 2025. Delivered in partnership with Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tamawhariua, the programme supported rangatahi who faced a range of barriers to employment, education and training, including low confidence, limited work experience, transport challenges, family instability and social anxiety.

During the year, participants engaged in a combination of classroom-based learning, practical activities, work-readiness training, paid work experience and individualised coaching. Significant emphasis was placed on building confidence, resilience and life skills, recognising that sustainable employment outcomes require more than simply connecting young people with jobs.

Strong partnerships with local employers, schools, training providers and community agencies continued to be a key strength of the programme. Paid work experience opportunities and industry exposure enabled participants to gain valuable skills and experience while helping employers connect with motivated young people from within their own community.

An important learning from the programme has been the value of creating a sense of belonging and connection. Shared meals, pastoral care and ongoing support helped build trust and engagement, enabling many rangatahi to make significant progress within a relatively short period of time.

Beyond employment outcomes, Poutama continued to help young people develop confidence, independence and aspirations for the future. Many participants achieved important milestones such as gaining driver's licences, obtaining workplace qualifications and progressing into further education and training.

The positive impact of the programme extended beyond individual participants, contributing to stronger whānau, a more connected community and improved opportunities for the next generation of rangatahi in the Western Bay of Plenty



School Holiday Programme

Katikids Holiday Programme continues to be a valued service for local tamariki and whānau, operating for 10 weeks each year to provide safe, reliable, and engaging care during the school holidays. In 2025, the programme recorded an impressive 398 enrolments,

Total Weeks

10

Total enrolments

398

welcoming children from communities ranging from Athenree to Tauranga, as well as visiting children from overseas staying with grandparents. The programme continues to grow steadily, with new families joining each year and children progressing into the eligible age group. Katikids caters for children aged 5–13 years and remains committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment for all.

Throughout the year, tamariki enjoyed a wide variety of fun and engaging activities that encouraged creativity, teamwork, physical activity, and social connection. Activities included arts and crafts, sports games, swimming trips, bush walks, movie outings, bike riding, Nerf challenges, treasure hunts, and more.

Katikids continues to create positive, enriching holiday experiences where tamariki can build confidence, friendships, and lasting memories.



Youth at Risk

Our youth one-on-one counselling sessions and the Calm'er anxiety support programme continue to make a significant and positive impact in the lives of young people. Through Calm'er group sessions for Year 9 and 10 students, rangatahi are provided with a safe, supportive environment to explore challenges, build emotional resilience, and develop practical strategies for managing stress and anxiety.

Throughout the year, participants reported increased confidence, stronger communication skills, and an overall improvement in their sense of wellbeing. Many shared that they now feel more capable of navigating everyday pressures and responding to anxiety in healthier, more constructive ways.

The programme's holistic, youth-centred approach has not only supported individual growth but has also contributed to strengthened relationships within families, schools, and the wider community. Calm'r remains a valued and essential part of our commitment to supporting the wellbeing of young people in our region.

● **Total Students seen: 20**



Food Rescue



Food rescued in 2025

45 tonnes

Volunteer hours

498 hours

Since October 2024, in partnership with Good Neighbour, Katikati Community Centre volunteers collect food that is not good enough to sell but is good enough to eat from the local Woolworths supermarket, food which would otherwise go to landfill.

Three times a week the food is distributed to local organisations such as Katikati Food Bank, Kura Kai and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tamawhariua. Any remaining food is shared with our community via our food stand at the front of the Centre.

We have a team of 7 volunteers to help us run this service.



Space & Antenatal parenting programmes

Space offers a fantastic opportunity for mums to connect with other parents, share experiences, and learn about parenting and their baby's development in a supportive setting. Over 20 weeks of weekly meetings, participants engage in discussions on important topics like sleep, attachment, and brain development. Besides learning, families also get to enjoy music, books, and playtime activities, fostering not just knowledge but also friendships within the group. It's heartening to see such initiatives that prioritize the well-being, support and growth of both parents and their little ones. 20 mums and bubs completed the programme in 2025 The programme is run by two trained facilitators and a volunteer baby cuddler so mums can participate fully in the activities.

● **Volunteer hours Space: 81 hours**



The Play Trailer

The play trailer continues to be a vibrant hub of fun and connection throughout the year, bringing joy, movement, and imaginative play to families across the community. Fully stocked with a wide range of toys, games, and hands-on activities, the trailer featured prominently at centre-led events such as Play Day, the free community picnics, and was utilized by the community at events and local celebrations. E.g. the Avocado Festival, A & P show, Festival of Cultures, Christmas lunch, Children's Day and more.

Wherever it travelled, the play trailer created an inviting space for children to explore, learn, and build friendships, while giving parents and caregivers opportunities to connect and engage. Its presence helped remove barriers to play by offering free, high-quality resources in accessible, welcoming environments. A great asset for the community!



Community Breakfast

The Katikati Community Breakfasts, hosted at the Katikati Baptist Church, continue to be a valued and welcoming space for whānau and individuals from across our community. Each week, a dedicated team of volunteers ensures the morning runs smoothly — from preparing the kitchen and serving food to greeting every guest with warmth and dignity.

No. of breakfast sessions

44

No. of breakfasts served

1269

Volunteer hours:

814

We are also grateful for the ongoing support of the Katikati Lions, who faithfully staff the BBQ and cook the bacon and sausages that have become a much-loved part of the breakfast.

Together, these volunteers create more than a meal. They foster connection, reduce isolation, and offer a consistent place of belonging for anyone who walks through the doors. Their commitment reflects the very best of community spirit, and the breakfasts remain a cornerstone of local support and hospitality.

● Volunteer hours: 814 hours



Wise & Wonderful



The Wise and Wonderful programme provides a welcoming space and continues to bring seniors together for connection, friendship, and plenty of laughter. Each week, participants participate in a mix of cards and games, brain-teasing quizzes, sing-along sessions, and ever-popular bingo. The atmosphere is warm, welcoming, and filled with moments of fun as friendships grow and new skills are discovered. This programme remains a vibrant reminder that community, fun, and shared experiences have no age limit.

The programme for seniors 65+ years is run by a dedicated team of volunteers who contributed a total of 857 hours to support the programme sessions.

● **Volunteer hours Wise & Wonderful:
857 hours**



Bringing the community together

Throughout the year we have had a lot of fun organising small events that have brought the community together. Some events have been to raise awareness and raise money, others have been organised to simply have some fun. It's great to have our play trailer at these events.

Community picnics

Four picnics were held in November and December. We opened up the play trailer and manned the BBQ for some free community fun. Thanks to Good Neighbour, Lions and CLD Youth group for supplying food, cooking on the BBQ, and providing support on the day.

Pink Breakfast

We received tremendous support for our Pink Breakfast and raised \$1,000 for NZ Breast Cancer Foundation

Children's Day

Fun, games, sausages and ice cream to celebrate Children's day

Blue Brunch

Our first Blue Brunch raised \$290 for NZ Prostate Cancer Foundation



Thank you Katikati Veterans Community Trust!



Toyota Voxy

The Katikati Veterans Community Trust have very kindly donated their Toyota Voxy to the Community Centre and also paid for it to be rebranded. This vehicle will be used for transporting our rangatahi to and from the Poutama Pathways to Employment course and also to work when they do their work experience.

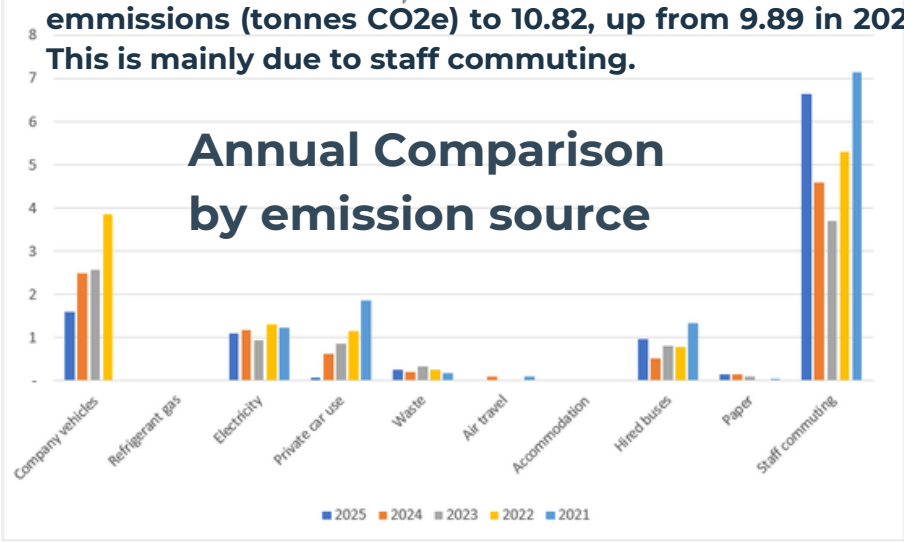
This vehicle joins our existing Toyota Voxy that was so kindly donated to the Community Centre last year by **Henry's Rod Shop**.

& Henry's Rod Shop!



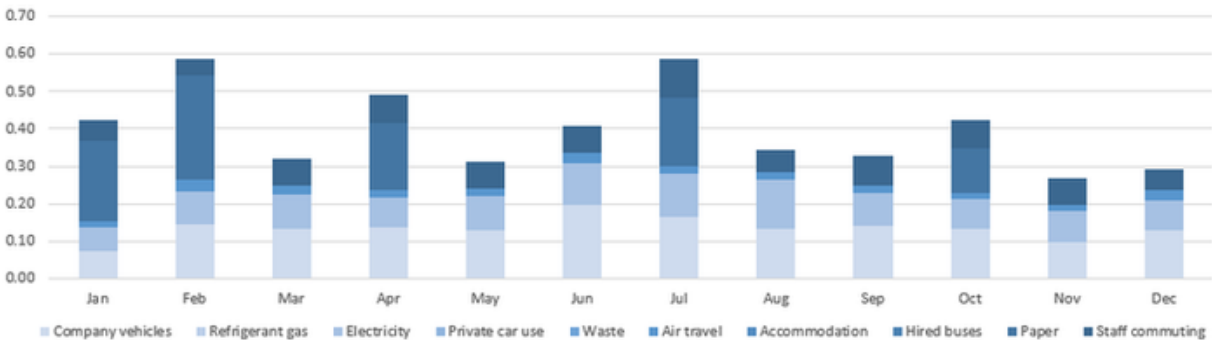
CARBON FOOTPRINT 2025

We have been measuring our carbon footprint since 2021. 2025 saw a slight rise in our total green house gas emmissions (tonnes CO₂e) to 10.82, up from 9.89 in 2024. This is mainly due to staff commuting.



Monthly emissions by operational category (t CO₂e)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Company vehicles	0.07	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.13	0.20	0.17	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.10	0.13
Refrigerant gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity	0.06	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08
Private car use	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Waste	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Air travel	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03
Accommodation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hired buses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Paper	0.22	0.28	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.00	0.00
Staff commuting	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.06
Total	0.42	0.59	0.32	0.49	0.31	0.41	0.58	0.35	0.33	0.42	0.27	0.29



Income Statement

Net Profit

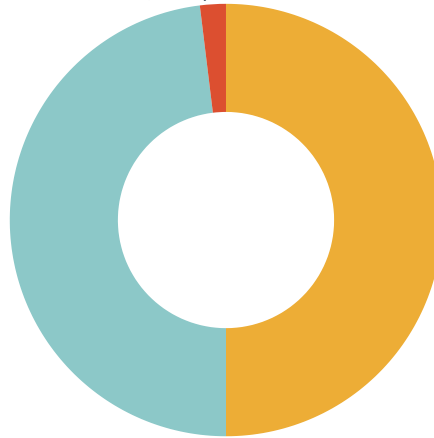
Profit: \$24,206

Expenses

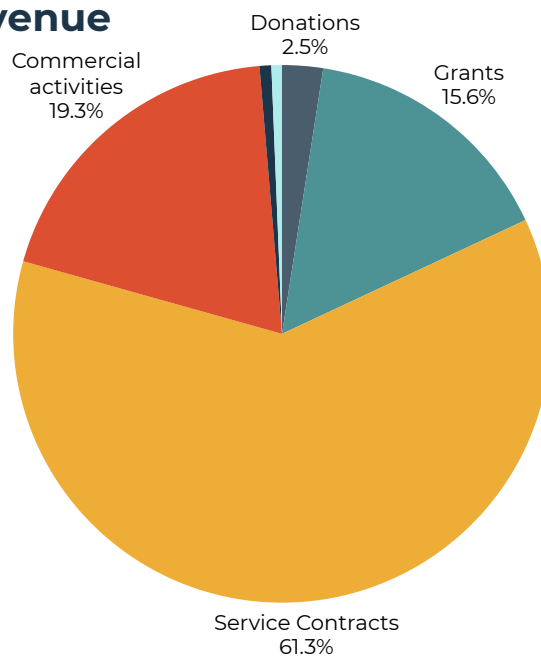
Total Expenses:
\$1,298,898

Revenue

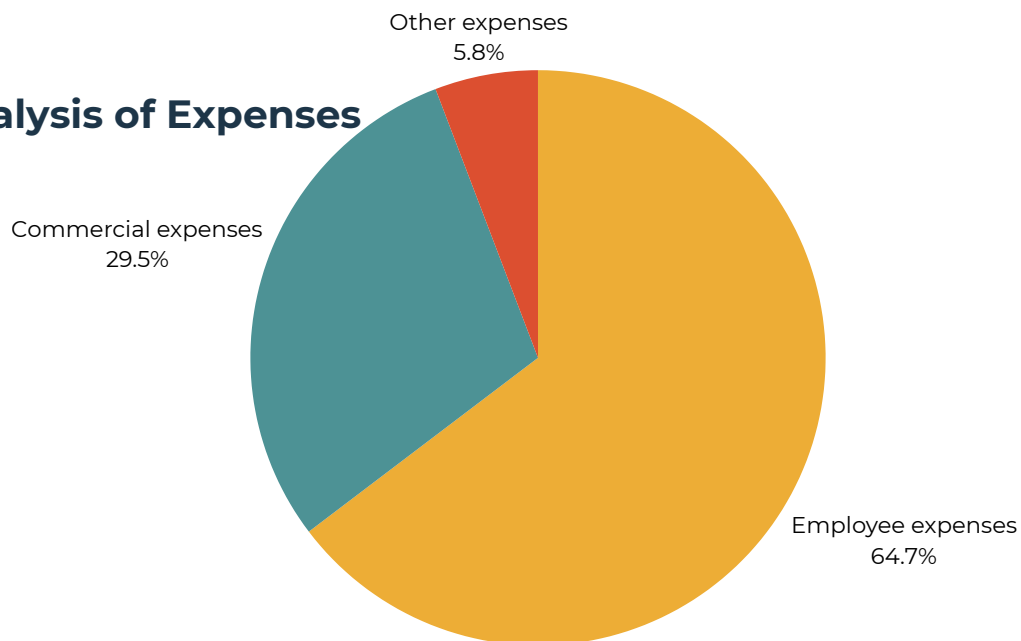
Total Revenue:
\$1,323,104



Analysis of Revenue



Analysis of Expenses



OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS



Our volunteers clocked up an amazing 1,253 volunteer hours in 2025!

Employee Spotlight



SHONA GRAHAM was voted Volunteer of the year in 2025. She has worked at the Community Centre for 30 years!