

ANNUAL REPORT

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2024 - 2025

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TE PU-A-NGA MAARA
RANGATAHI TAIAO INNOVATORS



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As I reflect on the 2024/2025 it was a year of significant growth, increasing responsibility, and organisational transition for Te Pu-a-nga Maara. Throughout the year, the organisation continued to deliver meaningful outcomes while remaining grounded in its kaupapa, values, and commitment to taiao regeneration.

Nгаа Koorero Tuku Iho continued to be evident in the way the organisation approached its mahi. The Board observed a continued commitment to ensuring maatauranga Maaori remained central to delivery through maramataka, waananga, environmental restoration practices, and community engagement. This continues to be a defining strength of Te Pu-a-nga Maara and an important point of difference in the work we undertake.

Nгаа Tuuhonohono strengthened further across the organisation during the year. Relationships with Mana Whenua, marae, councils, funders, environmental organisations, schools, corporate partners, and communities continued to deepen through shared action and trust. The Board acknowledges the importance of these relationships in supporting both the sustainability and impact of the organisation's mahi.

Nгаа Ringa Atawhai was reflected in the dedication and resilience of the kaimahi, Rangers, and leadership team. Delivery remained strong across restoration, community engagement, waananga, and environmental initiatives despite increasing operational demands.

The Board recognises the significant effort required to maintain this level of delivery while continuing to grow organisational capability and support staff wellbeing.

Nгаа Mahi Auaha became a stronger focus for governance throughout the year. As the scale and complexity of the organisation increased, the need for stronger systems, clearer operational structures, and long-term sustainability planning became more apparent. The Board continued to support the development of Te Haapai Oo as an important part of strengthening operational capability and supporting the future aspirations of the organisation.

The financial result for the year reflected a period of significant investment in staffing, operational infrastructure, programme delivery, equipment, and organisational development. While the organisation closed the financial year in a deficit position, the Board remains confident that these investments were necessary to strengthen the long-term sustainability and capability of Te Pu-a-nga Maara.

This year confirmed that Te Pu-a-nga Maara continues to grow in both capability and influence as a kaupapa-driven, rangatahi-led organisation. The Board's focus now is to ensure that future growth is supported by strong governance, sustainable systems, and the operational structures required to uphold the aspirations of Taiao Ora, Mauri Ora for future generations.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

Errin Henare





OUR VISION

Taiao Ora: Mauri Ora

Nature is Life!

OUR FOUNDATION

Founded in 2017, Te Pu-a Nga Maara is a rangatahi-led collective of Taiao Innovators, born from the shared vision of Makaurau Marae, Manurewa Marae, and Papatuuuanuku Kookiri Marae. We are dedicated to fostering environmentally sustainable and culturally grounded tikanga-based practices, ensuring the health and well-being of our whānau, hapuu, rangatahi, and mokopuna for generations to come.

OUR MISSION

Revive – Ngaa Koorero Tuku Iho

Reawaken and elevate ancestral knowledge and practices.

Reconnect – Ki Te Ao Tuuroa

Restore and enhance our connection with the natural world.

Regenerate – Ngaa Tai o te Ao

Renew and enrich our environment.

OUR VALUES

Ngaa Koorero tuku iho (Ancestral knowledge)

Reviving and elevating indigenous knowledge and practices to achieve
Taiao Ora Mauri Ora.



Ngaa Tuuhonohono (Reciprocal relationships)

Growing reciprocal relationships and meaningful connections with
nature to achieve Taiao Ora Mauri Ora.



Ngaa mahi Auaha (Innovation)

Rangatahi Innovating Indigenous Solutions to achieve Taiao Ora Mauri
Ora.



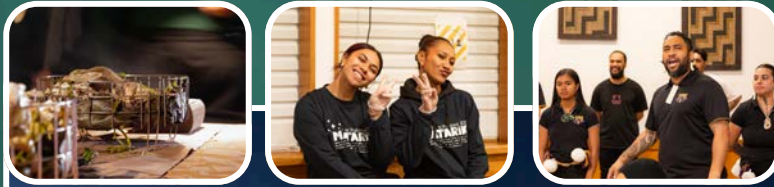
Ngaa Ringa Atawhai (Leadership)

Supporting kaitiaki, nurturing the growth of an environmental
regeneration movement to achieve Taiao Ora Mauri Ora.



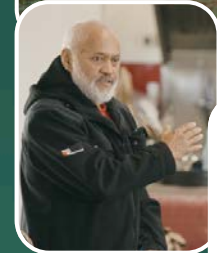
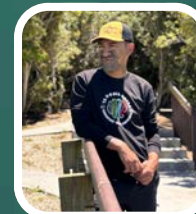
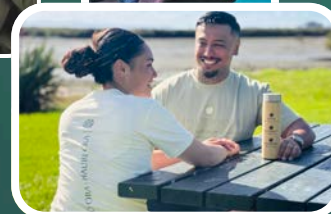
Matariki ki te Puhinui 2024

June

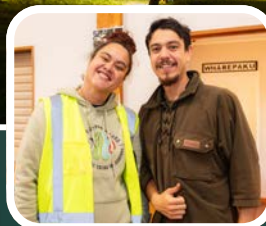


August 2024

Give Back Day Plunket Ave
Good in the Hood



Atua Matua
Kumara Collective
Te Wiki o te reo Maaori



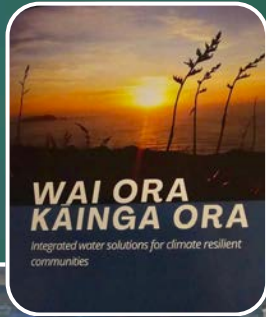
July

TPNM Governance Training
TPNM Launch Merch

September 2024

October 2024

Ngati Te Ata
Korowai Aroha Landcare
WOKO



Jan - Feb 2025

Cultural Induction
Matukutuururu
Marae & Urupaa Giveback



April-May 2025

Mastering Fencing
Pest Trapping
Hive Care
WOKO



Feb 2025

First Honey Harvest
Tuia Taiao



November

Give Back Days Huna
Final Corporate 2024

March 2025

Fencing Training
Tuia Waananga ki Tauranga

Tuia Taiao
SBN Huna Giveback Day

May 2025

HIGHLIGHTS & OUTCOMES 2024-2025

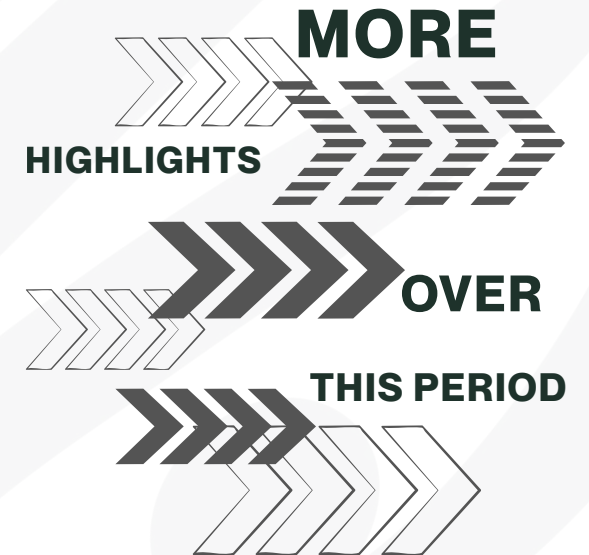
Te Pu-a-nga Maara's mission is to revive Korero tuku iho to reconnect people with our natural environments and create a movement of Taiao (environment) Regeneration for the future.

Key highlights and outcomes from Te Pu-a-nga Maara 2024/2025:

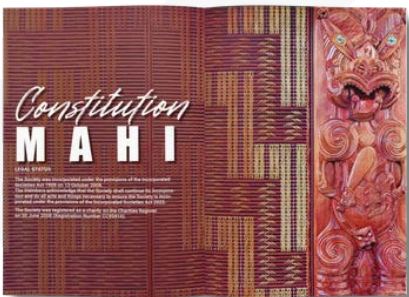
- **Revived and shared ancestral knowledge** related to culturally significant sites and the Maramataka through dedicated bimonthly Taiao give-back days and place-based environmental engagements. Corporate participation in these initiatives proved highly effective in raising awareness and building connection.
- **Reconnected** communities to Taiao through wānanga (learning forums) and community events, creating opportunities for local whānau and groups to contribute to environmental restoration with TPNM and other environmental organisations.
- **Advanced regeneration** of the Puhinui by drawing on ancestral practices in Taiao observation, and through planting, trapping, site maintenance, bee keeping, fencing and seed collection.
- **Partnered with Mana Whenua and local groups** to lead out Te Mātahi o te Tau and Te Wiki o te Reo Māori celebrations, promoting the value of our annual Matariki and Bilingual Hīkoi events and strengthening cultural and environmental connections and community relationships.
- **Strengthened operational base** at "Manu Tangi Ata" on the Puhinui Stream, functioning as a hub for TPNM rangers, educational programmes, and community events and supporting TPNM's long-term aspirations.
- **Officially launched the regeneration** of Matukutūrua (Matukutūreia / McLaughlins Mountain area), a major goal pursued by Te Pu-a-nga Maara over the previous three years, marking significant progress in site restoration.
- **Initiated the Wai Ora Kainga Ora** project, a four-year research and regeneration initiative focused on local waters and ecosystems, running in parallel with seven other kāinga (homes/communities) across Aotearoa.
- **Acquired and activated a new site** at Pūkaki Urupā and Crater (Pūkaki area), where 40 whānau members participated in the first give-back day, demonstrating strong community involvement.
- **Built practical skills and infrastructure** by focusing on fencing techniques; the team, together with participants, constructed and repaired approximately 1,000 meters of fencing on the Puhinui Reserve in preparation for the 2025/2026 planting season.

- **Beekeeping** wove itself into our taiao regeneration mahi, restoring the mauri of Te Puhinui. In January 2025, we harvested 300 litres of honey.

This period marked a significant shift and expansion in TPNM's impact, blending cultural revival, hands-on regeneration, community empowerment, and broader acknowledgment of the organisation's contributions.



- **Marae Ora:** TPNM supported Manurewa Marae in redefining governance through a Te Ao Māori perspective, strengthening cultural foundations, including the creation of Te Tuuaapapa oo te Paa oo Manurewa a 78 page printed booklet housing Whakapapa o te Whenua, Kawenata - Kingitanga, Whakapapa o te Marae – Ahi Kaa, Ngaa Koorero o Matukurua – Marae Ora: Mauri Ora

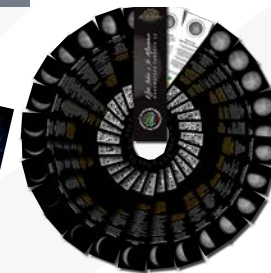


HIGHLIGHTS & OUTCOMES 2024-2025

- **Rangatahi Collaboration** Partner with Rangatahi to co-create resources and promote small businesses, fostering youth-led entrepreneurship.
- **Enterprise** Rangatahi-led business connecting with local and corporate groups, delivering Te Ao Māori capacity-building workshops as cultural experts.
- **Umbrella** Toi Mauri Ora Ltd: Employs two Rangatahi to lead Mau Rakau revival programs in South Auckland high schools, promoting cultural revitalisation.
- **Workshop Facilitation:** Engaged Rangatahi in facilitating workshops to build confidence in speaking about Mahi Tiaki Taiao, inspiring Rangatahi and Pakeke audiences.
- **Resource Development:** We are developing a unique Te Ao Māori resource brand, with ongoing creation and refinement of materials, including a refreshed Ngaa Taka o te Marama Maramataka Fandeck, new Matariki resources, and an Atua Whakapapa Card Series. These resources aim to educate and celebrate Māori culture and ancestral narratives.



Tiahomai Henare-Heke
Tikanga Advisor | Matauranga Māori Specialist



2024 - 2025 HIGHLIGHTS



RANGI

466

PARTICIPANTS AT
MATARIKI KI TE PUHINUI
COMMUNITY KAUPAPA

177

TIROTIRO TAIAO
TOHUTAKA
COMPLETED

120

LOCAL TAMARIKI
AT TE WIKI O TE REO 2024
BILINGUAL HIIKOI EVENT

325

MARAMATAKA RESOURCES
DEVELOPED & DISTRIBUTED



WHENUA

9

REGENERATION SITES
ON PUHINUI, GLEVEAGH
& MATUKUTUUREIA
+2 PUUKAKI SITES

**MAHI
TIAKI
TAIAO**

CLEARING, PLANTING,
TRAPPING, MAINTENANCE,
BEE KEEPING, FENCING

17,171

NATIVES PLANTED

997

METERS OF FENCING
REPAIRED / INSTALLED

240

KGS HONEY HARVESTED
FROM 5 HIVES



MOANA

WaiTiaki

KI UTA, WAITIAKI KI TAI
WATER QUALITY
MONITORING & TIROTIRO
BY THE MARAMATAKA

2

MANUREWA AWA WITH OVER
10 MONITORING SITES

PUHINUI

KI UTA, PUHINUI KI TAI
SNAPSHOT OF KAUPAPA &
MAHI ON PUHINUI STREAM

**Wai Ora
Kaainga Ora**

NATION-WIDE NETWORK
AND PROJECT SUPPORTING
8 KAINGA IN WAI RESEARCH



TANGATA

MARAE
ORA

TE TUUAAPAPA O TE PAA O
MANUREWA
GOVERNANCE SUPPORT &
DEVELOPMENT

14

TAIAO GIVEBACK DAYS
WITH 936 CORPORATE &
COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS

**RANGATAHI
LEADERSHIP**

UMBRELL FOR TOI MAURI ORA &
PARTNERED WITH 2 LOCAL
RANGATAHI ENTERPRISES

43

TAIAO & FOUNDATIONAL
TRAINING OPPORTNITIES

ALMOST
62%

OF TPNM EMPLOYEES WERE
RANGATAHI

PROGRAMME & PROJECT REPORT 2024-2025

Krissy Bishop

Mana Whakahaere

Tuia ki te Rangi, Tuia ki te Whenua, Tuia ki te Moana, Tuia te herenga Tangata, e rongō te pōo, e rongō te ao, Tihei Mauri Ora.

E ngāa mana, e ngāa reo, e ngāa rau rangatira maa, teenaa koutou, teenaa koutou, teenaa koutou katoa. The 2024/2025 year marked a significant period of growth, strengthening, and transition for Te Pu-a-nga Maara. Across the Puhinui catchment and surrounding spaces, our kaupapa continued to evolve through restoration, cultural revitalisation, rangatahi leadership, and stronger community connection.

This year reinforced our understanding that taiao restoration is not simply environmental work. It is the restoration of relationships between people and place, between communities and ancestral knowledge, and between future generations and their responsibilities as kaitiaki.

Koorero Tuku Iho continued to guide our delivery throughout the year. Through waananga, giveback days, maramataka resources, environmental monitoring, and community activations, we created opportunities for whaanau and communities to reconnect to taiao through practical action and cultural understanding. Maramataka principles continued to shape aspects of our planning and engagement, helping reconnect restoration practice with tikanga and seasonal observation

Ngāa Tuuhonohono strengthened considerably during the year. Relationships with Mana Whenua, marae, environmental organisations, schools, funders, councils, and corporate groups continued to deepen through shared mahi and collective aspirations for taiao regeneration. Community participation remained strong through giveback days, waananga, and restoration activities, creating opportunities for people to actively contribute to the wellbeing of whenua and wai.

Ngāa Ringa Atawhai

The year also saw important growth in capability and infrastructure. Our team developed fencing skills and completed approximately 1,000 metres of fencing repairs and installation across the Puhinui Reserve in preparation for future planting seasons. We also continued progressing the regeneration aspirations for Matukuturaa and supported the ongoing development of the Wai Ora Kainga Ora rangahau kaupapa alongside communities across the motu.

Ngāa Mahi Auaha became increasingly important throughout the year as organisational growth created greater operational and leadership demands. The scale of delivery, reporting, compliance, systems management, and partnership coordination highlighted the need for stronger infrastructure to sustain future growth. This year confirmed the importance of continuing to strengthen Te Haapai Oo to better support frontline delivery and long-term organisational sustainability.

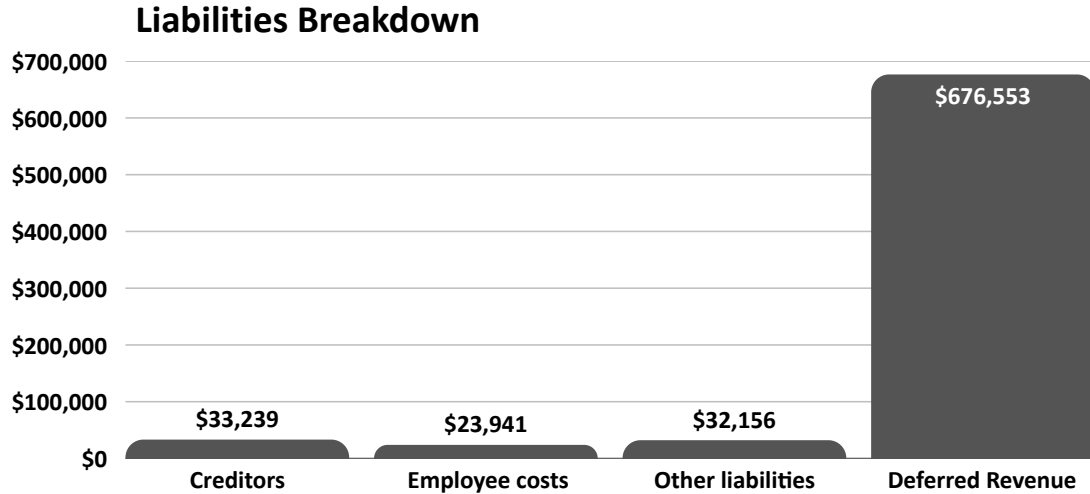
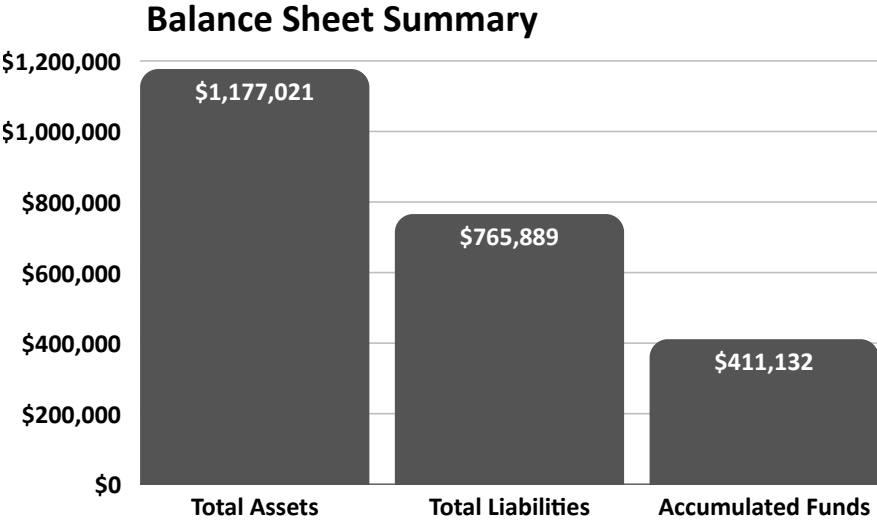
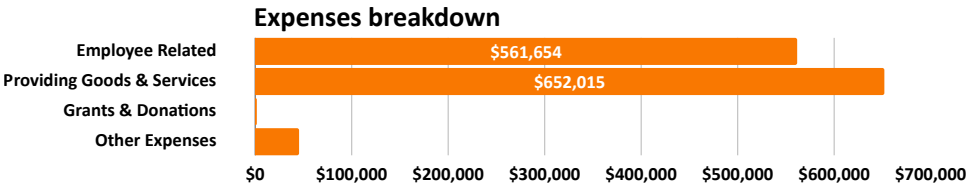
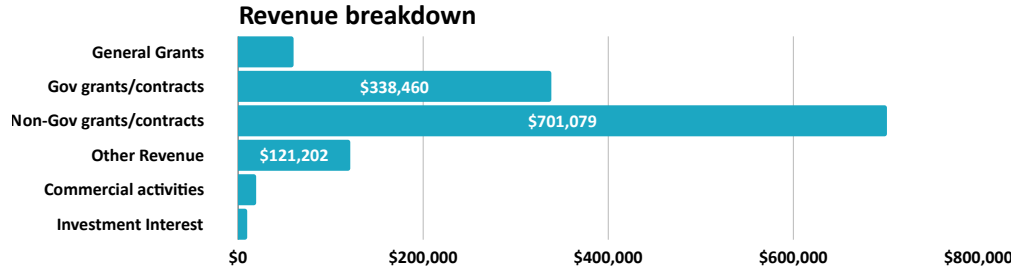
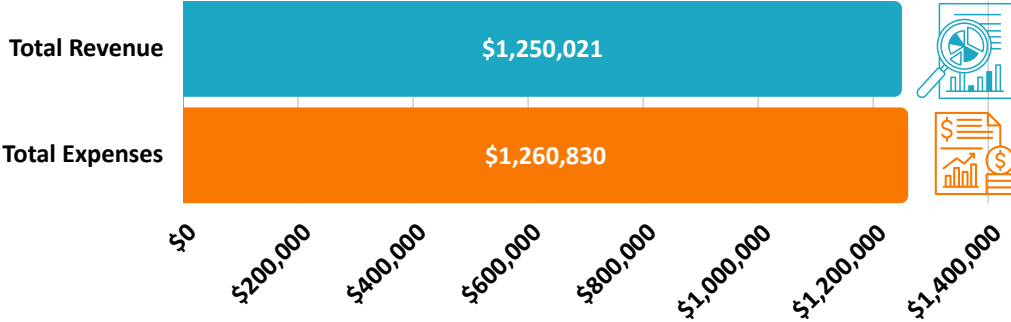
Financially, Te Pu-a-nga Maara remained active across a broad range of funding partnerships and programme delivery contracts, generating total revenue of \$1.18 million during the financial year. While the organisation closed the year with a deficit of \$85,669, this reflected a year of significant investment into operational capability, staffing growth, programme delivery, equipment, infrastructure, and future-focused organisational development.

This year demonstrated both the strength of our kaupapa and the increasing responsibility that comes with growth. As we move into the next phase of development, our focus remains on strengthening systems, deepening relationships, investing into rangatahi leadership, and continuing to uphold the aspirations of Taiao Ora, Mauri Ora for future generations.

Noo reira, teenaa koutou katoa.

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT YEAR END JUNE 2025

Nadine Inia



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OUR TEAM 2024-2025

Board of Trustees



Te Haapai & Specialty Advisors



Taiaro Rangers over the period 2024-2025



AFFILIATIONS FUNDERS & SUPPORTERS

E mihi ana ki a koutou katoa.

Our Te Pu-a-nga Maara Whaanau extends heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing support, which empowers us to connect our Taiao and Rangatahi, inspiring others to engage in this vital work. We are grateful and acknowledge



TAIAO ORA : MAURI ORA