# **Taiohi Ararau - Passport to life**

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# Moerewa

#### Tūtahi tātou i te aroha mō tō tātou whānau whānui

#### Let us stand together, in the love of our family and community

He lwi Kotahi Tātou Trust's mission is to create a positive future for the people of Moerewa and outlying areas. The Trust is working towards a community where everyone is responsible for shaping a strong and sustainable future, through wairuatanga, whanaungatanga and waiora.

He lwi kotahi tātou trust was one of four providers selected to participate in a pilot programme in Te Tai Tokerau by Te Puni Kōkiri. The programme Taiohi Ararau engaged taiohi Māori aged 15-24 not in education, employment or training (NEET) and not receiving a benefit. Taiohi Ararau is taiohi-centred, manaaki approach to obtain essential documents; birth certificate, IRD number, bank account, and driver licence, to increase eligibility and access to employment and educational pathways.

He lwi Kotahi Tātou Trust exceeded the total number of 10 taiohi contracted for, with a total of 28 taiohi in the programme.

# Kō wai rātou?

Who are they?

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Ages:	•
16	20%
17	10%
18	6%
19	28%
20	6%
21	6%
23	6%
24	6%
25	6%
28	6%

### Gender:







#### Historical Issues

In some cases taiohi came to Taiohi Ararau with set court dates, warrants for arrest and intergenerational abuse. These along with numeracy and literacy concerns have been identified as distinct barriers to taiohi progress.



#### Communication

The geographical spread of taiohi within this rohe, access to phones and reliable cell and internet coverage has tested Kaitono in their attempts to maintain regular contact with taiohi.

## Ngā Rongoā – Solutions



#### Support

Taiohi were supported in developing life skills and encouraged to make good decisions.



#### Communication

Kaitono demonstrated far-reaching commitment to taiohi particularly in the area of pastoral-care, going beyond expected practice to ensure taiohi were well informed and supported in reaching their goals.

"Taiohi Ararau helped me in a lot of ways, because I went to court [with kaitono support] they made me get on this programme. Then I made it through that, and got the certificates and stuff. I stay close to my family. I look after the house, my mum, and my siblings." TAIOHI TĀNE "I would turn up on their door steps, send them messages on Facebook, constantly on their case, like what do you need done? Have you sent your application in for North Tech? Have you received your birth certificate yet? It was about continuously being there." KAITONO

### Ngā Hua – Impacts

Impact 1

Gaining key documents has increased taiohi confidence and led them to set goals they would not otherwise have made including further education, training and employment. Impact 2

Kaitono have accessed and activated relationships with local providers to offer taiohi services they are entitled to but not aware of.

"My goal is to do the excavation course. I've just started the forklift license course at the probation office up in Kaikohe. [I want to] save up and get a flash car or something... and nek minute \$9 undies!" TAIOHI

"It's like a better environment. You get stuff done instead of mucking around. I'm more confident, got people skills." TAIOHI KŌTIRO "Rural Beat was amazing, they are a sexual health clinic in Kawakawa and it's not really talked about. Our taiohi have no concern for their sexual health, none at all! We had the service of set appointments for check-ups. They gave us a lot resources, and for me networking was vital! We have added them to our wider provider services as well." KAITONO

"That they actually come to you and visit you, and push you to get to your goal that you want. That's what I like about it, they actually push you." **TAIOHI TĀNE**