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File Ref: OIA 49216

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your information request dated 23 July 2024. You asked for the following information:

“Can you please provide us the total number of families that benefited from the Whānau Ora Programme alongside with the total Whānau Ora money provided to the three agencies tasked to oversee Whānau Ora. For the budget, if possible can you provide in percentage how much went to salary of staff and how many staff were hired to reached the whānau.”

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

In response to the first part of your request regarding the number of whānau supported we advise as follows:

For the financial year ended 30 Pipiri 2023, Whānau Ora Commissioning Agencies supported **57,752** whānau, comprising of over **128,040** individuals. Please note these are the most recently available figures, and that the support figures for 2023/24 and 2024/25 financial years are not yet available.

With respect to the second part of your request regarding budget we advise as follows:

The total Whānau Ora money provided to the three Whānau Ora Commissioning Agencies (Te Pou Matakana (trading as Whānau Ora Commissioning Agency), Pasifika Futures, Te Pūtahitanga o te Waipounamu) is listed below for the 2023/24 and 2024/25 financial years.

Kaupapa	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25 (note this is money committed as opposed to paid)
Total funds paid per annum to the three Commissioning Agencies	\$156,858,144.00	\$156,858,144.00

This information is publicly available

<https://budget.govt.nz/budget/2024/by/vote/maodev.htm> - Page 4 has the Whānau Ora appropriation for 24/25

In relation to your query about staff salaries and recruitment: Te Puni Kōkiri does not hold specific information on Whānau Ora Commission Agency operating expenditure including staff salaries or recruitment numbers. Accordingly, this part of your request is refused under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act as the information is not held by Te Puni Kōkiri.

For further information on staff salaries, please contact the individual Commissioning Agencies - note that they are not subject to the requirements under the Act. Their annual reports are available online on their respective websites.

I trust my response satisfies your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact us at uia@tpk.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi



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