



**HOLOCAUST CENTRE  
OF NEW ZEALAND**

*Te Pūtahi Urupatu o Aotearoa*

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Nga Tawa Diocesan School at HCNZ

# ANNUAL REPORT 2022





**THE HOLOCAUST CENTRE  
OF NEW ZEALAND IS THE  
COUNTRY'S NATIONAL  
HOLOCAUST EDUCATION  
AND REMEMBRANCE CENTRE**



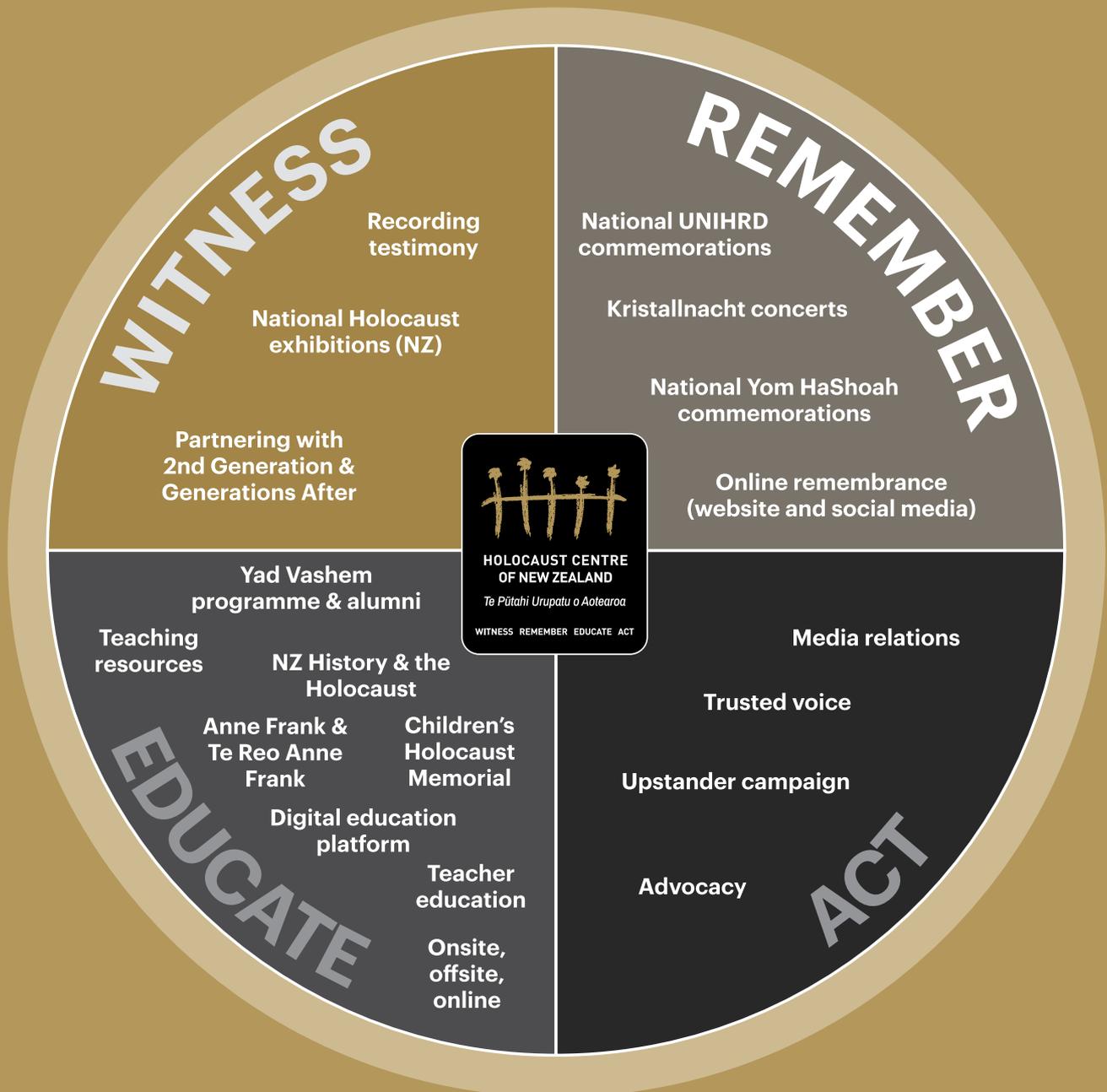
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# MISSION STATEMENT

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand inspires and empowers action against antisemitism, discrimination and apathy, by remembering, educating, and bearing witness to the Holocaust.

## STRATEGY



"The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand was founded to honour the survivors who came here, cherish the memories of those who were murdered, and teach the relevance of the Holocaust to New Zealand society."

Steven Sedley MNZM, Founding Chair

# BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

For another year, Covid-19 has impacted on our work, but we have been resilient and now we are seeing more visitors and a return to some kind of normality, albeit not as it was.

I wish to acknowledge my fellow Board members. It is a steady and sure team, who each contribute to the success of the Board. Once again Miriam Bookman has been my able deputy, taking the load off me and spearheading a number of projects. Jeremy Smith continues to ensure our finances and has a wealth of information, given his longevity on the Board. I also thank Board members Rivkah Nathan, Helene Ritchie, Marcus Blomquist and Diana Wichtel. Diana steps down from the Board this election and I particularly want to acknowledge the careful and considered approach she has given to our Board.

We appointed a new Chief Executive in January - Gillian Wess. She has hit the ground running and in her first seven months in the job has already contributed hugely to our systems, our professionalism, and our fundraising, to name just three areas in which she has excelled. We are indeed very lucky to have someone with Gillian's special mix of skill, experience, and warmth. She heads our hard-working team of Kris Clancy, Sarah Williams, Tom Rockman Arielly and Lizzy Eaves. We are hugely fortunate in having dedicated and skilled staff upon whom we can and do rely.

We are indebted to our indefatigable volunteers. We are a volunteer-led organisation and the breadth of what we can achieve is because of you. Thank you. And to our many sponsors, supporters, and benefactors, thank you. To our members, thank you. And to our precious survivors and their families, thank you for sharing your stories.

**The foundations of the Centre are:** educate, bear witness, remember and act, as well as ensuring our infrastructure.

**I will leave it to others to report in detail, but some highlights:**

Infrastructure is often what people think of as the boring stuff to enable the exciting projects but it's also our base. We have worked on new policies, including Media and Health and Safety policies. We are in the final throes of finalising a Board Charter. And the Board has approved work on a new integrated operational platform for our database, events management, communications, and memberships that is likely to be delivered in the coming year. We are still working on another space to augment our Wellington centre, in Auckland. I expect work will gather pace in the coming year.

It is wonderful to tell you that the Inge Woolf Memorial Seminar for NZ Educators at Yad Vashem is able to be again made available for applicants. I travelled to Israel and met with our partners at Yad Vashem, who are intent on assisting us in our work, as well as hosting our teachers in 2023. The programme is more expensive now, largely because of travel costs increasing. We are still looking for funders, but we are grateful to the Astor Foundation, Claims Conference, Jonathan and Ephrat Ofer, Primeproperty Group, and the Raye Freedman Trust, for their generous support committed to funding our teachers thus far.





We worked with the New Zealand Jewish Council to help ensure that New Zealand became an observer member of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance. This is a wonderful achievement which will help to safeguard Holocaust education and remembrance in New Zealand.

We are often called on to comment in the media and this year we were contacted frequently – on the misuse of the Holocaust in anti-vaccine protests, young people dressing as concentration camp detainees and the rise in antisemitism.

The standing of the Centre continues to grow, as evidenced by the warmth of the message from Her Excellency the Rt Hon Dame Cindy Kiro when she became our Patron for the term of her office and the growing number of attendees, including dignitaries, at our many events.

We can't do it without you. Please continue to support us. Be a member, volunteer, donate, leave us a bequest. We appreciate whatever it is you can contribute. And we thank you.

B'shalom

Deb Hart

# CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

I have pleasure in presenting the Chief Executive report for the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand's 2021-2022 financial year.

I took up my new role of Chief Executive at the beginning of February 2022, towards the close of this reporting financial year, stepping in to lead the operations of an organisation already well-grounded with strong foundations and convictions, and deeply committed to the important work we do. In the short time of my appointment, I have had the honour of working among those who built the Holocaust Centre from its beginnings, and those who continue to strive to maintain its viability and recognition as the national institution for Holocaust remembrance, education, and testimony.

As reported in this annual report, the span and range of HCNZ's operations and activities have developed with strength over the last year, following the direction of the Board's strategic plan. While Covid-19 may have restricted how we delivered some of our programmes, it did not impede our activities, rather it created opportunities to widen our reach and influence to new national audiences and stakeholders.

Through our educational programmes, touring exhibitions, national civic commemorations and wide-ranging events, HCNZ now has a national presence that reaches across Aotearoa New Zealand, raising greater awareness and understanding of the important history of the Holocaust, its stories of immeasurable loss, survival and resilience, as well as its current day relevance to all peoples of our nation. This national engagement enables New Zealanders everywhere to access our important resources, and to participate in, and support, our work. We are also achieving the respected status of being the organisation that provides support to confront and address cases of antisemitism, often performing this sensitive work out of the public gaze.

The success of HCNZ is driven by a visionary Board, a talented and skilled professional operational team, deeply committed and engaged volunteers, and valued members, donors and funders who ensure the financial viability of the Centre.



The challenge and excitement of our important work is that there is so much more to do. Whether educating students in their classrooms, providing Holocaust professional development to New Zealand teachers, expanding UNIHRD into new regions, fostering relationships with venues to host our exhibitions, receiving more visitors in the Centre, or sourcing sustainable income streams, we will continue to bring new ideas and resourcefulness to achieve our organisational objectives. The successful delivery of HCNZ's outward-facing initiatives depend on sound internal systems, and this following year will see the development of an improved integrated platform to support our professional operations.

I thank you for warmly welcoming me into the HCNZ community and look forward to another year of growth and development.

B'shalom

Handwritten signature of Gillian Wess in blue ink.

Gillian Wess  
Chief Executive



# PATRON



The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand is honoured to have the Vice-Regal Patronage of the Governor-General of New Zealand, the Rt Hon Dame Cindy Kiro, GNZM, QSO.

## Message for the Holocaust Centre

Shalom

As Governor-General of New Zealand, I am pleased to be Patron of the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand.

No country can afford to let the Holocaust fade from cultural memory. Each generation needs to learn what can happen when doctrines based on lies, hate and division take hold in a society – and the impact of that hate on innocent victims.

In bearing witness to the suffering of Jewish people and other groups (Roma, homosexuals, disabled, political dissidents, and Jehovah's Witnesses) under the Nazi regime, the Holocaust Centre reminds us that we cannot ever be complacent. Ongoing vigilance is needed to identify and resist the ideologies that underpin such acts of prejudice and persecution.

The Holocaust Centre's teaching looks beyond the statistics to individual stories of loss and survival, resistance and resilience. Connections are made between the past and the present day, and New Zealand's links with the Holocaust. Although our service personnel fought against the Nazi regime in the Second World War, unfortunately Aotearoa New Zealand aligned with other nations that turned their backs on refugees from Nazi-occupied Europe.

Education about the Holocaust helps to increase awareness of our ongoing responsibility to defend and advance humanitarian principles, and thereby contribute to peaceful and tolerant communities. In this way, we can all play our part creating a future free of hate, discrimination and antisemitism.

**The Rt Hon Dame Cindy Kiro, GNZM, QSO**  
Governor-General of New Zealand



## IN MEMORIAM

We pay tribute to the following Holocaust survivors who sadly passed on in the year since our last Annual Report. Pillars in their communities, and much loved and missed by their families, friends, and the wider community. May their memories be a blessing.



### Henry Levinsohn

**3 February 1928, Alt Ukta, Germany - 4 April 2022, Auckland, New Zealand**

Born in Alt Ukta, now part of Poland, Henry fled Nazi Germany with his family in January 1939 to England, then on the Dominion Monarch to New Zealand. Arriving speaking no English he completed school in Lower Hutt then Metallurgy at Otago university. Henry always felt grateful to the Labour government allowing refugees and voted for Labour all his life. Henry met Brenda first at Otago, then later in the UK while on OE and they later married and moved to Auckland where he worked at the Naval Dockyard for 30 years. Henry died on 4 April 2022 and Brenda died 5 weeks later.



### Yaakov Moshe / Jacobus Mozes (James) van Ameringen

**22 July 1921, Amsterdam, Netherlands - 22 January 2022, Tauranga, New Zealand**

Yaakov Moshe (James) van Ameringen was born into a family of Orthodox Jews in Amsterdam in 1921. He survived the Holocaust by hiding in cupboards, and on a farm, before being smuggled to Belgium, then getting to France, and ending up in England. Almost two dozen members of his extended family perished between 1943 and 1944. James immigrated to New Zealand in 1952 with his then fiancée, and later wife, Alice. More of James' story can be found in the New Zealand Herald: Bay of Plenty Times at <https://tinyurl.com/4jbepxku>



### Paul Seideman

28 March 1928, Prague, Czechoslovakia

13 November 2021, Wellington, New Zealand

Paul was born in Prague in the spring of 1928, the only child of Grete and Jaroslav, who ran a menswear factory. Just after his Bar Mitzvah in 1941 the family were deported to the Lodz Ghetto in Poland – here Paul's mother died in 1941, his father in 1942.

As a young Czech Jew Paul went on to survive Auschwitz, Gross-Rosen, a death march, Flossenbürg, and was liberated at Dachau, aged 17. After liberation, Paul emigrated to Australia, and then New Zealand, but Paul's Holocaust experience marred his whole life.

Throughout his life Paul had a great appetite for music, literature, and food, and he spoke Czech, German, and English. He had a brilliant mind, but it could not escape the consequences of the horrors of his teenage years. Although Paul suffered, he always kept his sense of humour and beaming smile.

To commemorate the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau by the Soviet Army on 27 January 1945, and to encourage students in Aotearoa New Zealand to engage in Holocaust studies, Paul endowed an essay competition for secondary students. Administered inaugurally in 2014,

this was first awarded in 2015 on UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day (UNIHDR), 27 January, at Parliament.

The Paul Seideman Holocaust Essay Competition grew into the Paul Seideman Annual Composition Prize to enable students to submit entries in a variety of formats to answer the questions posed on a Holocaust topic. 2022 was the first year that student winners sadly did not get to meet Paul as he passed in November 2021.

The competition is an annual reminder of Paul's generosity and inspires us as we strive to bring Holocaust education to all Aotearoa New Zealand students. Because only through education, such as that which Paul endowed, can we combat hatred, antisemitism, Holocaust denial and distortion.

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand is honoured to carry on Paul's legacy and continues to administer this competition, which annually engages hundreds of students across the nation in Holocaust education. From 2022 this is now the Paul Seideman Scholarship.



# HCNZ STATISTICS

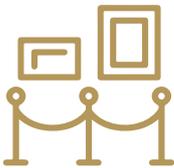
Summary for the financial year April 2021 to March 2022\*



**1246**

Number of guests at HCNZ events

Anne Frank Exhibition  
\*11/03/2021 - 31/03/2022



Children's Holocaust Memorial  
\*24/02/2021 - 5/12/2021



**1,431** Number of students reached by Holocaust education outreach presentations (see below)

**388** Number of students visiting the centre for education programmes

**212** Number of Visitors to the Centre (210 domestic, 2 international)

**93** Number of adults in booked group education sessions

**47** Number of HCNZ volunteers including Board members

**5** Staff members (4 full time, 1 part-time)

**160** Members (as of 18 August 2022)

**3** Number of venues Anne Frank exhibition

**10,972** Number of visitors to Anne Frank exhibition

**533** Number of student visitors to Anne Frank Exhibition

**2** Number of venues Children's Holocaust Memorial (CHM)

**40,718** Number of visitors to CHM

**2,130** Number of student visitors to CHM

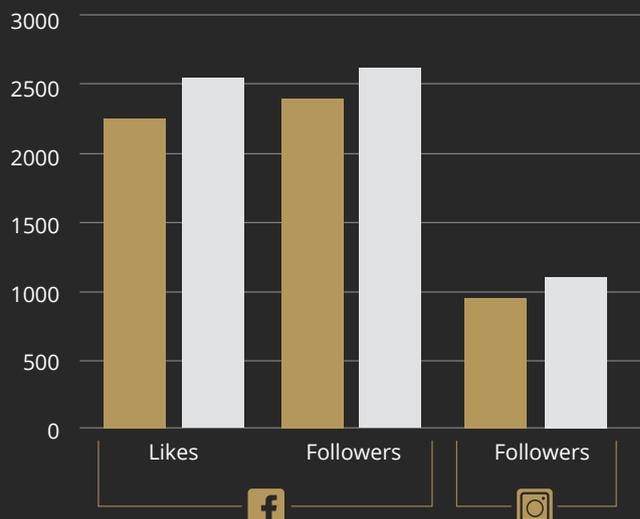
**9** Number of exhibitions touring (counting each venue) and held at the Centre

Anne Frank venues, CHM venues, Besa (Yad Vashem), Some Were Neighbors (USHMM), The Anguish of Liberation (Yad Vashem, shown at Auckland Yom HaShoah), Finding Hope (pre launch in Centre)

\*Unless otherwise specified

## Social Media Followers

Even more important during these pandemic times is our online presence and part of this includes our engagement with social media followers. We continue to increase engagement across Facebook and Instagram, with some posts reaching up to 15,500 people. Thank you to all who follow, like and comment on our social media platforms.



# EDUCATION REPORT

This has been a banner year for the education team at HCNZ. We continue to build up our online presence and awareness of the Centre with schools around the country. New partnerships with the Ministry of Education and Schoolkit have afforded HCNZ the ability to reach more students and farther than we have ever before. Our online Adult Education Series coincides with LMMUD NZ in Wellington for 2022 and we are excited to partner with LMMUD to bring our topics to an even wider audience. We will participate in the Social Studies Conference in Christchurch this October 2022, after a year of delays due to Covid-19. We are also keenly anticipating the return of the Inge Woolf Memorial Seminar of NZ Educators after a hiatus due to Covid-19 and we are very excited to be taking a new group of teachers to Israel to learn about the Holocaust and proper pedagogy in line with the Aotearoa New Zealand History Curriculum that comes into force in 2023.

## Education Team

HCNZ's Education Director Kris Clancy has led the educational team of part-time staff member Lizzy Eaves and volunteers Jan Lippert, Judy Regan, Marlene Levine, Courtney Powell, Desiree Gezentsvey, with Holocaust survivors Steven Sedley, Vera Egermayer, Irene Adler and Susi Williams giving testimony, and Board members Helene Ritchie and Rivkah Nathan providing their support during 2021-2022.

This reporting year, the CEO and education team worked to develop an Education Strategic Plan for 2022 to 2024. This strategic plan highlights growth opportunities for students and teachers as well as

new working partners to engage with in Holocaust education onsite, offsite, and online. We continue to identify the need for more volunteer educators to meet demand and are actively looking to recruit and to future proof our national educational delivery.

The education team is grateful for the contributions made by organisations and individuals over the past year including United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Yad Vashem, USC Shoah Foundation, Holocaust Educational Trust, Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, SchoolKit, Zikaron BaSalon, and many others.

## Adult Education Programme

From August to November 2021 HCNZ presented the following Adult Education Programme via Zoom.

- Jewish Doctors and The Third Reich, presented by Dr Susi Williams
- Porajmos: Roma Genocide, presented by Dr Cliff Harvey, representative of the Aotearoa Roma community.
- Psychology of Hate Speech, presented by Helene Ritchie
- Holocaust and Film, presented by Dr Giacomo Lichtner
- Seeking Refuge in Latin America, presented by Christina Chavarria, Programme Coordinator for United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (USHMM)
- Resistance to the Holocaust, presented by Kristopher Clancy, HCNZ Education Director.
- Intergenerational Trauma, presented by Dr Ann Beaglehole, from the Wellington Second Generation Group, and Diana Wichtel, from the Auckland Second Generation Group.



### Paul Seideman Annual Scholarship

This was the first year since the passing of Paul Seideman. HCNZ is forever indebted to him for endowing us with the ability to offer a scholarship to students for the last decade. We had some fantastic entries this year! Our Year 7 – 8 winner was Sophie Ineson from Southland Girls' High School. Our winner for the Year 9 – 10 category was Jaymee Davies, from Hauraki Plains College. The winner from the Year 11 - 13 category was Eden Li, from Westlake Boys High School.

We received a wonderful video entry from Sophie about how Sophie Scholl has inspired her to speak out against intolerance and discrimination in her community. Both Jaymee and Eden wrote incredibly well researched essays and their take on resistance during the Holocaust and its modern implications were wise beyond their years. All three winners spoke beautifully as they presented to the audience at Parliament as part of the Wellington UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day ceremony.

The education team looks forward to this year's entries continuing to have great quality coming from our young people. This scholarship continues to evolve, with students exploring different media when submitting their entries.

## National Education

We saw the roll-out of our new travelling exhibition, Finding Hope: Seeking Refuge in Aotearoa New Zealand and schools around the country immediately signed up to participate. This new exhibition was inspired by the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum that will come into effect in the 2023 school year. Nine banners, drawn in graphic novel style by Roger Mason, tell the New Zealand response to the events of the Holocaust. These banners allow students to see the direct connection between the events in Europe and here in Aotearoa. Two survivors, Inge Woolf and Hans Klisser, were highlighted for showing their impacts on wider New Zealand society.

### In 2022 the banners have been to:

- Freyberg College (11 April)
- Wellington College (1 June – 24 June)
- St Oran's College (27 June – 8 July)
- St Margaret's College (25 July – 12 August)

### The touring exhibition will continue during 2022 to:

- Wellington High School (starting 15 Aug)
- St Catherine's College (starting 29 Aug)
- Hutt Valley High School (starting 13 Sept)
- St Patrick's College (starting Oct 17)
- Scots College (starting Nov 28)

### Positive feedback received from students and teachers for Finding Hope include:

“Beautifully presented”

- staff from Freyberg College

“Part of our history that we never knew about”

- Year 11 student from Freyberg College

“Graphics are engaging and draw student's attention in immediately”

- staff from Wellington College

“Provides safe manner to learn about the impacts of the Holocaust on New Zealand”

- staff from St Margaret's College

“I never would have thought about the impact on us would have been so big. I cannot imagine what it would have been like growing up like Leora”

- Year 9 students from St Margaret's College



The banners have been seen by 3,387 students so far and have been incredibly popular amongst both students and teachers.

## On Site Education

It has been a strong year for our education initiatives; however, we are still feeling the impact of Covid-19 restricting school visits to the Centre. For the April 2021 – March 2022 financial year we have hosted 388 students in our Centre.

## Online Education

Our online education this year has been through rigorous testing by Yad Vashem graduates in preparation for the rollout of Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum. In preparation for the 2025 Social Studies Curriculum refresh, we have also been pursuing new activities to be published online that will be tested in the coming year.

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## Education Outreach

For the April 2021 – March 2022 financial year we delivered Holocaust education presentations at schools reaching 1,431 students.

During a five-day education outreach tour to Christchurch schools in August 2022, Kris Clancy, Education Director, presented to students at these schools:

- Papanui High School, 110 students
- St Margaret's College, 116 students
- Lincoln High School, 257 students
- Rangī Ruru Girls' School, 127 students

While in Christchurch, the Education Director also gave a public presentation at Tūranga Christchurch City Library to 20 attendees on "Resistance and Rebellion."

Another outreach tour will take place in Otago in September 2022 with Kris visiting schools in Dunedin,



Fiordland, Queenstown, Wanaka, and Alexandra. While in Dunedin, HCNZ will also be partnering with the Centre for Global Migrations and Dunedin City Libraries to offer a community presentation on Intergenerational Trauma of Holocaust Survivors.

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## Looking forward

The education team will continue reviewing our programmes and improving them so that they remain relevant to the needs of teachers and students, especially with the rollout of the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories curriculum in 2023 and the Social Studies Curriculum Refresh in 2025. We look forward to growing our outreach to schools and reaching more students through the programmes we offer and events that we run. Thank you to everyone who has supported and continues to support this vital work so we can educate all students in Aotearoa New Zealand on the important lessons from the Holocaust.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kris Clancy'.

**Kristopher Clancy**  
Education Director





**ANNE FRANK**  
NEW ZEALAND  
*Let me be myself*

## ANNE FRANK TOURING EXHIBITION – “LET ME BE MYSELF”

This year, despite the Covid-19 waves, the Anne Frank exhibition continued to be hosted across Aotearoa New Zealand, and we had only one cancellation, in Auckland.

During this reporting period the exhibition opened successfully at the South Canterbury Museum in Timaru. At the opening, we had wonderful support from his Worship Nigel Bowen, Mayor of Timaru, the City Council, and museum staff. An online presentation by Anne Frank NZ Chair Boyd Klap was also well attended and very well received.

From Timaru the exhibition moved on to Tairāwhiti Museum in Gisborne. Due to the museum’s vast exhibition space, we were able to exhibit the exhibition in its entirety for the first time in two years.

Her Excellency Mira Woldberg, the Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, officially opened the exhibition. Speakers, including HE Woldberg; Meng

Foon, Race Relations Commissioner of New Zealand; Her Worship Rehette Stoltz, the Mayor of Gisborne; Boyd Klap, Chair of Anne Frank New Zealand and HCNZ Chief Executive Gillian Wess, all gave poignant addresses to an enthusiastic audience. A special acknowledgement to Arohea Pewhairangi and Madeleine Poulter, who both read excerpts from The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank at the opening, in te reo Māori and English respectively, and to the museum’s Kaitiaki Māori, Mr Taharākau Stewart for his opening karakia.

From 5 August to 23 October the exhibition will be hosted by the Rotorua District Library.

Due to continued demand the Anne Frank ‘let me be myself’ exhibition will continue to travel throughout 2023. We look forward to enabling more students and members of the public alike to engage with the life story of Anne Frank, the Holocaust, and WWII, and to explore contemporary issues of prejudice and discrimination, through stories of present-day youth that feature alongside the historical components.





## CHILDREN'S HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL

From February to June 2021 the Children's Holocaust Memorial was hosted at Te Manawa, Palmerston North, where we received 38, 218 general visitors, and 2,130 students.

Following Palmerston North, we had the unique opportunity to bring the Children's Holocaust Memorial to the Waitangi Treaty Grounds Museum, where despite Covid restrictions, we had a very moving opening event and successful exhibition run from October to December 2021, with 2,500 visitors. There were no student numbers due to Covid-19 alert level two restrictions on school visits. At the Waitangi opening function, we had a full capacity of 60 guests. Education Director, Kris Clancy, represented the Holocaust Centre at this event in the role of MC. Kris' delivery, and the very moving presentation of the Memorial by designer Matthijs Siljee, created much interest and engagement from the audience. Much appreciation to Isaiah Apiata who led the powhiri.



## EXHIBITIONS AT THE CENTRE

### Some Were Neighbours (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum): December 2021 - February 2022

The exhibition 'Some Were Neighbours: Collaboration and Complicity in the Holocaust' addressed one of the central questions about the Holocaust: How was it possible? Whilst the central role of Hitler and other Nazi Party leaders is indisputable, the dependence of these perpetrators on countless others for the execution of Nazi racial policies is less understood. Within Nazi Germany and across German-dominated Europe, circles of collaboration and complicity rippled throughout governments and societies wherever victims of persecution and mass murder lived.

'Some Were Neighbours' examined a variety of motives and pressures that influenced individual choices to act. These influences often reflect fear, indifference, antisemitism, career concerns, community standing, peer pressure, or chances for material gain. It also looked at individuals who did not give in to the opportunities and temptations to betray their fellow human beings, reminding us that there is an alternative to complicity in evil acts—even in extraordinary times.



### BESA - A Code of Honor (Yad Vashem): February 2022 - May 2022

This exhibition featured large photographs taken by American photographer Norman Gershman accompanied by outstanding personal rescue stories of Muslim-Albanian families who saved Jews during the Holocaust and were recognized as Righteous Among the Nations by Yad Vashem.

The remarkable assistance afforded to the Jews was grounded in Besa, a code of honor, which still today serves as the highest ethical code in Albania. Besa

literally means "to keep the promise." One who acts according to Besa is someone who keeps his word, someone to whom one can trust one's life and the lives of one's family.

We look forward to rotating these exhibitions into our programme again in the future.



## EVENTS

### ANZAC Day 25 April 2022

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand was represented at the Wellington Citizens Wreath laying by Board member Rivkah Nathan and volunteer visitor host and educator Courtney Powell. This is an annual feature on the HCNZ calendar, and we are privileged and humbled to be invited to pay our respects. Lest we forget.



### Blessing ceremony of the name 'Parikōwhai' gifted by Te Ātiawa for the Anne Frank Memorial site

HCNZ staff in the Anne Frank NZ team were pleased to support Anne Frank NZ chair Boyd Klap in coordinating the event that had over 50 people gathered on a windswept, wet day, by the Anne Frank Memorial at Ellice Park, Mt Victoria, Wellington for the blessing and naming ceremony of the Memorial and its new signage in te reo Māori. This was held on 12 June 2022, what could have been Anne Frank's 93rd birthday.

Kaumatua Mark Te One unveiled the signage and gave a karakia, followed by his daughters Annie and Miriama Te One performing a waiata. A waiata response was given by Arthur Klap. Rabbi Ariel Tal of Beth El congregation sang a song in Hebrew and addresses were given by Boyd Klap, and the memorial designer Matthijs Siljee of Massey University, with a closing address by His Worship Andy Foster, Mayor of Wellington. The signage now enhances the visibility of the memorial and the te reo naming is very special.



# HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS



One of the four pillars that underline HCNZ's mission and strategic plan is 'remember', which includes holding public events of commemoration. The major annual commemorative events are UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day, Yom HaShoah, and our Kristallnacht concert. Unfortunately, we were unable to hold our concert in 2021 due to the impact of Covid-19, however we look forward to our upcoming November 2022 concert in Wellington, and for the first time, in Auckland.

## UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day: 27 January 2022

On 27 January, United Nations International Holocaust Remembrance Day, (UNIHDR), the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand held commemorations in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Nelson, and Christchurch. This day was nominated by resolution by the United Nations in 2005, as the international day for remembering the victims of the Holocaust and reinforcing Holocaust and human rights education, as it coincides with the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp by the Soviet Army in 1945.

The county moved to the red Covid-19 alert level just prior to January 27th. HCNZ event coordinators pivoted to successfully host events across the nation under the government health regulations which limited attendance numbers but still made for meaningful, respectful civic events in remembrance of all who perished under the Nazi regime.

The theme for this year's commemorative events was "Resistance", and in all cities we were reminded that resistance comes in many forms and even the smallest actions can make a big difference.

Speeches highlighted that the forces of antisemitism, hatred, and discrimination can and do rear their ugly heads to strike at the heart of our communities. This can happen at any time, anywhere, and in the most cultured societies. HCNZ and all who took part in the commemorations, recommitted themselves to fighting Holocaust distortion and denial, racism, antisemitism, discrimination, and apathy.

Across the nation the UNESCO Director-General's message was read in all regions. Where possible this was by the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO Youth Leaders. The message emphasised "our shared responsibility to protect the truth, and to keep alive the memory of all those who suffered under the Nazi regime..."

The event in Auckland, held at the Auckland War Memorial Museum, recognised the role of the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) as part of the Allied effort to defeat the Nazis and their collaborators. The Chief of Army, Major General John Boswell, spoke



about members of the 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force and the 28th Māori Battalion capture of Trieste, in northern Italy. This victory led to the Nazis fleeing the concentration camp at Risiera di San Sabba.

The daughter of 28th Māori Battalion member, Private Tahu Potiki Hopkinson, spoke about her father being haunted by not being able to help the Jewish people more.

Both the NZDF and Private Hopkinson were thanked by Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Chair, Deborah Hart, for their courage and for helping the Jewish people.

Reflecting on this year's theme, Holocaust survivor Vera Krukziener spoke about the amazing acts of bravery by her own parents, the Carmelite nuns of Budapest, and Swedish diplomat, Raoul Wallenberg, which saved her life.

Mayor Phil Goff reminded all present that we not only need to remember the atrocities of the Holocaust but also to heed its lessons, and commit to fighting antisemitism, prejudice, and discrimination.

HCNZ hosted the Hamilton commemoration at the Waikato Museum, attended by the Mayor of Hamilton, members of the Waikato Jewish Community, as well as representatives from the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO, New Zealand Human Rights Council and the Consulate of the United States of America. Mayor Paula Southgate spoke about Holocaust distortion used in discourse around Covid-19 and the health measures taken by governments,

as well as the need for vigilance against the rise in antisemitism and hatred in Aotearoa New Zealand.

USA Consul Sarah Nelson, in her first New Zealand public event, reiterated the commitment of the United States to combating antisemitism and ensuring that no matter where it rears its ugly head in the world, the United States would be at the forefront in stamping out hatred and providing support to communities worldwide. Rachel O'Connor, Lead Advisor to Race Relations Commissioner Meng Foon, rededicated the Human Rights Commission to supporting the Jewish and minority communities in stopping hatred and discrimination nationwide.

HCNZ Education Director Kristopher Clancy, the MC for the event in Hamilton, delivered a personal keynote testimonial with family connections to the theme. He expressed how acts of resistance were individual, communal, and on national scales, culminating in the defeat of the Nazis and their collaborators, and called on each of those in attendance to guarantee similar action continues.

A ceremony was held at the Jewish section of Makara cemetery, Wellington, with prayer, addresses and the laying of stones in the Jewish custom. Eva Woodbury shared testimony of her father's brave acts of resistance that saved the lives of 16 Jews, including her mother, in hiding in Poland, and Boyd Klap CNZM QSO shared his experiences as a member of the Dutch resistance. His Worship Andy Foster, Mayor of Wellington, also delivered an impassioned address.



Speaking in Parliament, Hon Grant Robertson, Deputy Prime Minister, reflected on how impressed he was by the personal testimonies heard at the earlier Makara commemoration, and how “Each of us knows the moment in our lives, in our days, when perhaps we turned away from those moments when we could show that individual resistance; and each of us knows that we can and should do better in those moments.”

Also, at Parliament we held the world premiere performance of the Partizaner Song (The Partisans’ Song) sung in te reo Māori, following it in Yiddish. This was performed by vocalist Anastasia Reid, and pianist Liam Furey of the New Zealand School of Music—Te Kōkī. Written in Yiddish by Hirsh Glik “Zog Nit Keynmol” (“Never Say”) was a triumphant and hopeful call for defiance, inspired by the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. The song became a beacon to many and quickly grew to be known as ‘The Partisans’ Song’. Translated by Hēmi Kelly (Ngāti Maniapoto, Ngāti Tahu–Ngāti Whāoa), of the Auckland University of Technology (AUT), for The Partisans’ Song initiative led by the WE ARE HERE! Foundation of Australia.

The first ever HCNZ UNIHRD event in Nelson was coordinated by Nelson’s Jewish community leaders and the wife of the Honorary Consul of Austria, with the warm support of Nelson’s Deputy Mayor, Judene Edgar. David Zwartz ONZM was MC. Fifty people attended, under Covid-restricted conditions, and were much moved by the ceremony, including the lighting of six memorial candles – for the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust – by six children from the Jewish community. This linked with the comments from

the Deputy Mayor’s keynote speech about the need for the messages from the Holocaust to be passed on to subsequent generations, to ensure that “Never Again” has real meaning.

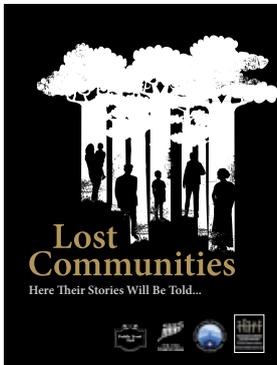
In Christchurch, the speakers at the New Zealand World Peace Bell, Sarah Pallet, MP for Ilam, Imam Gamal Fouda, Councillor Jimmy Chen, Second Generation Holocaust Survivor Ben Kepes, and the Dean of Christchurch Cathedral Very Reverend Lawrence Kimberley, all spoke eloquently, whilst advocating for a civil reflective ceremony, devoid of Holocaust misappropriation.

We take this opportunity to thank the nation-wide regional volunteer coordinators for all their hard work, including Gael Keren, Moshe Malal, Richard Noar, Maxine Noar, Martina Schneider-Leisser, and Yasmin Sellars.

*Commemorations in Aotearoa New Zealand were made possible thanks to the following partners, the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO, Ministry for Ethnic Communities, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Astor Foundation, New Zealand Human Rights Commission, Wilson Funeral Home, World Peace Bell Association, Canterbury Education Services, Council of Jewish Women, and the City Councils of Wellington, Auckland, Hamilton, Nelson, and Christchurch.*

## Yom HaShoah: 27 April 2022

On Yom HaShoah the New Zealand Jewish community and distinguished guests gathered in collective grief and remembrance.



At the Public Trust Hall in Wellington the theme of this commemoration of the Holocaust was “Lost Communities”. We heard the voices of North African, Greek and Italian Jews, whose voices and culture were almost eradicated by the Nazis and their collaborators.

Holocaust Centre of New Zealand CEO Gillian Wess was a guest speaker at the Auckland Yom HaShoah commemoration, held by the Zionist Federation of New Zealand. Their theme was Liberation. Gillian spoke about the double-edged nature of liberation: for survivors, the scars of the Shoah, and how the loss of entire families and communities continues.

We carry the mantle for those whose names and voices shall not be left to the annals of history. As stated in both venues, it is everyone’s responsibility to witness, remember, educate, and act.

Six memorial candles for the approximately six million Jews murdered in the Holocaust were lit by Daniel Rosenbaum and Jeremy Smith (Chairs of both Wellington Jewish congregations), George Neonakis and Miriam Bookman (Honorary Consul of Greece, and Deputy Chair of HCNZ), Malka Benita and Afnan Al-Rubayee (representing North African Jews, and the Kilbirnie Mosque), Marco Sonzogni and Assoc Prof. Giacomo Lichtner (representing Italians and Italian Jews), Steven Sedley MNZM and Eileen Silestean (Holocaust survivors), and HE Ran Yaakoby and Dr Michael Feiner (Embassies of the State of Israel and the Federal Republic of Germany).

Extracts of personal testimonies, written by victims of the Holocaust, were read by Matthijs Siljee, Daphne Otremsky, Irene Buxton, and Leo Smith. Prayers were recited by Rabbi Ariel Tal, Abi Buchalter, and Tom Rockman Arielly. Attendees also heard Unter Dayne Vayse Shtern (Under Your White Stars) sung beautifully, acapella, in Yiddish, by Matilda Wickbom - a poem written in the Vilna Ghetto by Avrom Sutzkever.

We thank Kaye & Maurice Clarke for sponsorship of the beautiful venue.



## Zikaron BaSalon, March 2022

Zikaron BaSalon (literally, “commemoration in the living room”) is a commemoration of the Holocaust in an intimate atmosphere, with friends, family, and guests.

Education Kris Clancy was invited to speak on the rise of online antisemitism in online gaming platforms at this gathering hosted by the Embassy of Israel in New Zealand, at the Wellington Club.

# PUBLIC TALKS

L’Dor VaDor lecture series: coordinated by Irene Buxton this lecture series had another successful year. Thank you to Irene Buxton, Greg Lewis, Greg Kent, Tom Rockman Arielly, Kris Clancy, and Sarah Williams, and all the following presenters. We also appreciate everyone who attended the talks and thank you to many who made donations which enable us to continue to offer these free public events.

- **July 2021:** Eva Woodbury shared the story of her father’s remarkable efforts to rescue Jews in Poland during the Holocaust.
- **May 2022:** Courtney MacDonald, PhD student at Victoria University of Wellington, and an HCNZ volunteer presented ‘Expressing the Echo:

Translating the poetry of Holocaust survivor Manfred Winkler’. This was a follow-up to Dr Monica Tempian’s talk ‘Cultural Mediation and Cultural Creativity in Contemporary German-Hebrew Poetry’ where Courtney was a co-presenter, as research fellow of Monica, along with Rick Sahar.

- **June 2022:** David Zwartz ONZM, Chair, Wellington Jewish Council, ‘Thoughts on New Zealand Jewish Identity.’
- **July 2022:** Gigi Fenster, award-winning author, spoke on the narrator as a reliable voice with reference to her book *A Good Winter*.



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## HCNZ Presentation at the University of Otago: *Where Did War Criminals Go?*

Presented by Kris Clancy, Education Director, and Chris Harris, former HCNZ Chief Executive

Through the Nuremberg Trials, new standards in international law were established to prevent future genocides, but not all the perpetrators were caught. What happened to them? What challenges does this create in bringing other perpetrators of genocide to justice? Where was New Zealand placed among this?

Through looking at the immediate effects of the Nuremberg Trials and those Nazis who evaded prosecution, Kris and Chris examined certain war criminals, from Nazis to modern day, who were able to escape prosecution and the role New Zealand played in bringing them to justice.

## VISITORS

Although Covid-19 continued to impact on our visitor numbers and our volunteers, we were open to the public every opportunity possible and had some lovely visitors, who we enjoyed hosting, fostering Holocaust knowledge and advocacy against distortion, denial, and apathy. Many visitors came with some amazing stories and connections to the Holocaust which we were honoured to hear, and many were fortunate to hear first-hand testimony from Holocaust survivor volunteers.



We also enjoyed mutually beneficial visits by Race Relations Commissioner Meng Foon and members of his team - Rachel O'Connor and Nera Tautau; NZ National Commission for UNESCO Chair Robyn Baker and Secretary General Vicki Soanes; Hungarian Ambassador HE Zsolt Hetesy; Ministers Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan and Hon Michael Wood; and Ms Yael Holan, the new Deputy Chief of Mission, Consul, and Head of Administration from the Embassy of Israel accompanied by Chaim Choshen, the Ambassador for Asia and Pacific Division.

Victoria of University student Ngauira Wirihana, with Holocaust survivor Steven Sedley MNZM (Founding Chair, and volunteer). An appreciative comment in our visitors' book thanked Steven for "the beautiful and memorable stories, although heavy and sad".

Thank you, Steven, for continuing to dedicate your time and share your testimony, imparting the relevance of the Holocaust to the youth of Aotearoa New Zealand.



Visitors Frank and Rosemary, with HCNZ volunteers Holocaust survivor Vera Egermayer, Dr Ann Beaglehole, and Carol Calkoen (and Mike Calkoen).

During WWII, in the Netherlands, Frank's grandparents, along with two other Dutch families, kept Jewish families safely hidden in their attic. Frank is undertaking the task of having them recognised as Righteous Among the Nations, with Yad Vashem. Historian and member of the Wellington Second Generation group, Ann Beaglehole, one of our Visitor Host volunteers gave them a tour and they were also fortunate to meet survivor Vera Egermayer and Second Generation Carol and Mike Calkoen Carol being the daughter of two of the centre's founders Hanka and George Pressburg.



Race Relations Commissioner Meng Foon and members of his team, Lead Advisor Rachel O'Connor, and Human Rights Advisor Nera Tuatau, with HCNZ Chief Executive Gillian Wess, Miriam Bookman Deputy Chair, and staff Sarah Williams, Lizzy Eaves and Tom Rockman-Arielly.

# VOLUNTEERS

The HCNZ volunteer team continues to be the foundation of the Centre. We thank all our special volunteers for their commitment to, and advocacy for, Holocaust education and remembrance in Aotearoa New Zealand.

At our end of year Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 15 December 2021, Carol Rankin, Jan Lippert, Courtney Powell, Irene Adler, and David Zwartz ONZM, were awarded certificates of appreciation for their commitment, dedication, and exceptional volunteer service to the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand.



Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once every three years, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in. (Author unknown)

**During this past year, since our last report, we welcomed the following new volunteers:** Irene Gottlieb (Keri-Keri), Greg Lewis and Flynn Fletcher-Dobson (Wellington), and we welcomed back Marni Guesgen. Thank you all for choosing to volunteer with HCNZ. Shirley Li and Phoenix Dingle also moved from weekly volunteering to on-call.

**Sadly, in the same period, the following volunteers have discontinued their involvement:** Sarah Cole and Linda Cohen. We thank them for their service and contributions and wish them the very best.

We always appreciate new people joining us and volunteering with the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand in a variety of roles. If you have relevant skills and some time to dedicate to a good cause, contact us.

**'He aha te mea nui o te ao?  
He tangata, he tangata, he tangata.'**

**'What is the most important  
thing in this world?  
It is people, it is people, it is people.'**



## MEMBERS

HCNZ's members are central to our organisation, providing support, stability, and a valuable income stream through their membership fees. Membership numbers at 18 August 2022 stood at 160. While geographically located across Aotearoa New Zealand the majority of HCNZ members are based in Wellington and Auckland. As we expand our activities and events nationally we aim to grow our membership more widely and to develop more regional networks of both members and volunteers, providing more membership benefits and opportunities for engagement.

**88**  
**MEMBERS**



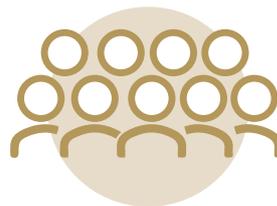
**2020**

**145**  
**MEMBERS**



**2021**

**160**  
**MEMBERS**



**2022**

**UP 10%**



## SPONSORS, DONORS, AND PARTNERS

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand gratefully thanks all our donors, funders, sponsors and partners for their generous support. In 2021-2022 we received financial, in-kind and organisational support from the following sources:



119	Number of donors: individuals
10	Number of grants
44	Number of working partners and in-kind support: individuals and organisations
9	Number of donors: trusts and foundations
2	Number of bequests



# HCNZ BOARD



**Deborah Hart**

Chair



**Miriam Bookman**

Deputy Chair



**Helene Ritchie**



**Jeremy Smith**

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**Gillian Wess**

Chief Executive



**Kris Clancy**

Education Director



**Lizzy Eaves**

Lead Educator & Bookings Coordinator



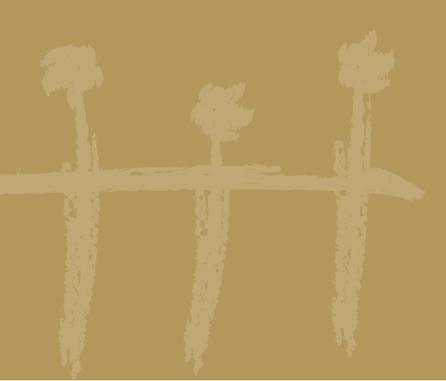
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Projects Manager



**Sarah Williams**

Operations Manager



# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Jeremy Smith, Treasurer

## FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

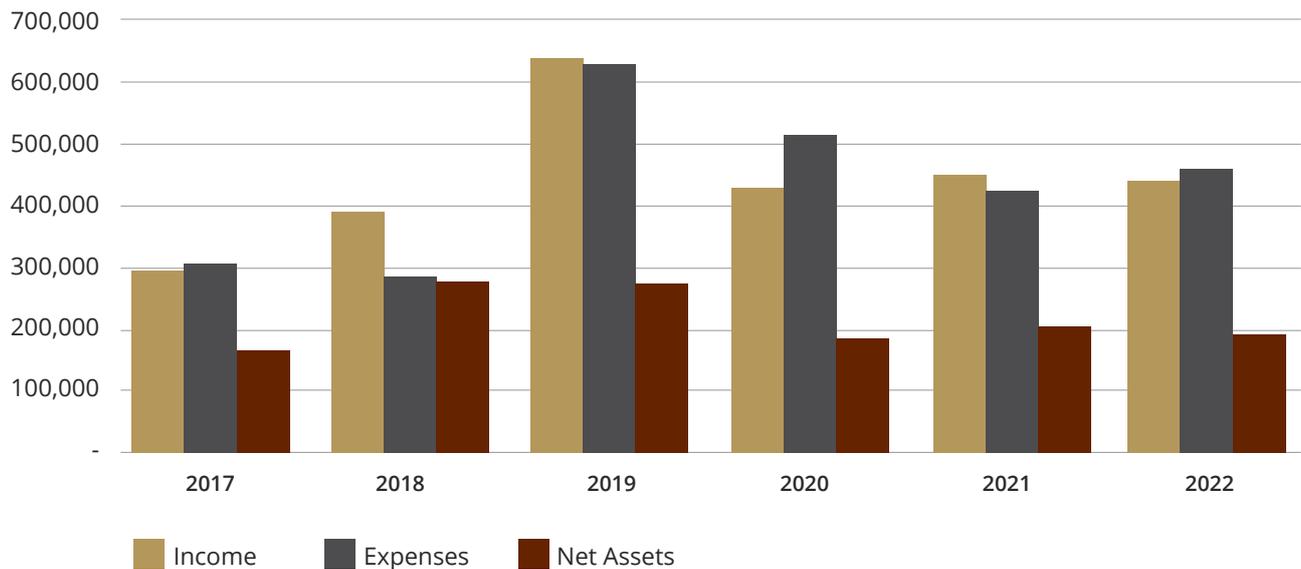
The financial results are in line with expectation following ongoing Covid-19 disruptions. Our team of professionals continued creating and delivering new material for teachers and schools to use. Again, we had to postpone the Yad Vashem Teachers Seminar, which is now scheduled for 2023.

Whilst several events did not go ahead because of Covid-19, we incurred costs on the Anne Frank exhibition, the naming of the Anne Frank Park in Wellington, the Children’s Holocaust Memorial,

extending the UNHIRD commemorations and the Finding Hope Project. Salaries account for 65% of our total costs. At the end of 2021 we appointed Gillian Wess as our new CEO to lead the team.

To deliver our wide range of programmes, expenditure of \$466k was incurred for the year which was in line with budget. Our income for the year was up on our budget at \$447k, we were well supported by our generous donors.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY



At year end, “unused donations and grants with conditions” of \$208k, which relates to the Children’s Holocaust Memorial, Anne Frank Exhibition and Anne Frank Diary translation projects and 2022 grants received before the year end.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our very generous donors and supporters, without you we would not be able to deliver our programmes. I also thank the Board, staff and volunteers for their incredible commitment and dedication to the work of HCNZ.



## HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR WORK

### BEQUESTS

Your gift through a bequest is your personal legacy for future generations, and can be made as follows:

**General Purpose bequest** – supporting the Centre’s ongoing operational costs

**Specific Purpose bequest** – supporting one or more key activities

**Gift in Perpetuity** – administered by the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand

**Artefact bequest** – for the preservation and exhibition of Holocaust Centre of New Zealand’s existing artefact collection.

For more information go to [www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/bequests](http://www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/bequests)

### MEMBERSHIP

Sign up as a member and your \$75 (inc. GST) annual membership subscription enables the Holocaust Centre to continue its work, whilst you get information on our activities, have voting rights at AGMs, and can stand for nomination on the HCNZ Board – you have an active opportunity to shape the future of the Centre.

For more information or to become a member go to [www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/membership](http://www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/membership)

### DONATIONS

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand is a registered charity, and all donations over \$5 are tax-deductible. You may make a general donation, or you can contact us and inform us which of our activities you would like to financially support specifically, and we will direct your donation there.

For example: Conservation management of artefacts, education programmes (onsite, online, offsite), commemorative events, new exhibitions and lectures, the Children’s Holocaust Memorial, Inge Woolf Memorial Seminar for NZ Teachers at Yad Vashem, and centre operational costs (such as general overheads, marketing, and staffing costs).

#### How you can donate:

- online via Givealittle at [www.givealittle.co.nz/org/holoc](http://www.givealittle.co.nz/org/holoc)
- online via our website: [www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/donate](http://www.holocaustcentre.org.nz/donate)
- EFTPOS onsite, or cash donations
- Internet banking: **To our account at Westpac 03-0515-0507281-000**

Your full name in reference, and please send an email to [operations@holocaustcentre.org.nz](mailto:operations@holocaustcentre.org.nz) so that your receipt may be issued.

Donors and members are vital to our being able to continue our mission well into the future. Thank you to all of our past and current donors and members.



# FINDING HOPE



Roger Mason

Seeking refuge in Aotearoa New Zealand



HOLOCAUST CENTRE  
OF NEW ZEALAND  
Te Pūtahi Unupatu o Aotearoa  
WITNESS REMEMBER EDUCATE ACT



# Financial Statements

Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated  
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Prepared by Bennett Currie (2014) Ltd

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# Compilation Report

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

Compilation Report to the Officers of Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated.

### Scope

On the basis of information provided and in accordance with Service Engagement Standard 2 Compilation of Financial Information, we have compiled the financial statements of Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated for the year ended 31 March 2022.

These statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Notes to these financial statements.

### Responsibilities

The Board of Officers are solely responsible for the information contained in this financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet your needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

The financial statements were prepared exclusively for your benefit. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the financial statements.

### No Audit or Review Engagement Undertaken

Our procedures use accounting expertise to undertake the compilation of the financial statements from information you provided. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review engagement has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

### Independence

We have no involvement with Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated other than for the preparation of financial statements and management reports and offering advice based on the financial information provided.

### Disclaimer

We have compiled these financial statements based on information provided which has not been subject to an audit or review engagement. Accordingly, we do not accept any responsibility for the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the compiled financial information contained in the financial statements. Nor do we accept any liability of any kind whatsoever, including liability by reason of negligence, to any person for losses incurred as a result of placing reliance on this financial report.

## Bennett Currie (2014) Limited

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Palmerston North

Dated: 17th August 2022

## Entity Information

### Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

#### 'Who are we?', 'Why do we exist?'

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated is New Zealand's national Holocaust education and remembrance centre.

#### Legal Name of Entity

Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated (the Society)

#### Entity Type and Legal Basis

Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated is a Society registered in New Zealand under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. The Society is registered under the Charities Act 2005.

#### Registration Number

CC48551

#### Entity's Purpose or Mission

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand inspires and empowers action against antisemitism, discrimination and apathy by remembering, educating and bearing witness to the Holocaust.

#### Entity Structure

The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated is governed by a Board of Directors and managed by a CEO. The CEO is responsible for the management of operations, whilst the Board is responsible for the governance of the organisation.

The current Board of Officers/Board of Directors of the Society are:

1. Deborah Hart - Chairperson
2. Miriam Bookman - Deputy Chairperson
3. Jeremy Smith - Treasurer
4. Rivkah Nathan
5. Diana Wichtel
6. Helene Ritchie
7. Marcus Blomquist

#### Main Sources of Entity's Cash and Resources

The main sources of cash and resources for the society are donations, grants, school bookings and membership fees.

#### Main Methods Used by Entity to Raise Funds

Fundraising methods include grant applications to regional and national philanthropic societies, trust and councils, applying to private donors, having memberships, general donations and to a lesser extent book sales and paid events.

### **Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services**

HCNZ is a volunteer driven charitable organisation and relies on donated services of volunteers operationally and in governance.

### **Physical Address**

80 Webb Street, Te Aro, Wellington, New Zealand, 6011

# Approval of Financial Report

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

The Board of Officers are pleased to present the approved financial report including the historical financial statements of Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated for year ended 31 March 2022.

APPROVED



Treasurer - Jeremy Smith

Date 1 September 2022



Chair - Deborah Hart

Date 1 September 2022

# Statement of Service Performance

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

### 'What did we do?', 'When did we do it?'

HCNZ continued to grow our regional, national and international profile, and we reached out to make Holocaust education accessible to as many learners across Aotearoa New Zealand as possible. Our educational aims were achieved with travelling exhibitions (Anne Frank 'let me be myself' exhibition, the Children's Holocaust Memorial, and Finding Hope: Seeking Refuge in Aotearoa New Zealand a new banner exhibition), education on site, off site and online, through our Yad Vashem Alumni teaching Holocaust education in their classrooms and using our resources, our public events and speaking engagements in a variety of regions from Auckland to Dunedin. We also continued to reach thousands online through social media platforms with educational, informative and topical posts.

The Holocaust Teaching Trunks education initiative launched in Term 1 2021 continued to be particularly popular in this financial period. With the use of replicas, supplied reading materials, and lesson plans with resources sent out to schools in literal trunks, 'we were able to bring Holocaust education into the classroom in a tangible format and further expand the accessibility of Holocaust education through Aotearoa New Zealand.

Finding Hope: Seeking Refuge in Aotearoa New Zealand, a new exhibition launched in term 1 of 2022, has direct applications to the new New Zealand Histories curriculum. It can be used with a variety of ages as it is in a very accessible graphic novel format, sharing stories of New Zealand's response to the Holocaust with individual Holocaust survivor stories included. The exhibition was launched at a local high school and will travel to another seven schools around Aotearoa New Zealand this year.

We made our library catalogue accessible online in 2021.

Throughout the year our Education Director fielded hundreds of emails from students seeking guidance with their scholastic endeavors on a variety of Holocaust topics.

We held annual commemorations of Holocaust remembrance: Yom HaShoah in April 2021 and UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day in January 2022. Due to COVID we were unable to hold our 2021 Kristallnacht Commemorative Concert.

### Description of Entity's Outcomes

#### **Children's Holocaust Memorial (CHM):**

During this financial period the Children's Holocaust Memorial was on display in Palmerston North and Waitangi. As a consequence of the memorial in Waitangi we made connections with Tangata Whenua, Kura and local high schools for education outreach.

#### **Anne Frank Exhibition**

The Anne Frank Exhibition 'Let Me Be Myself' continued to travel and during this financial year it was positively received by school groups and members of the public, in Napier, Nelson and Timaru.

#### **Commemorations**

##### **Yom HaShoah April 2021**

At the Wellington Jewish Community Centre members of the Jewish community including Holocaust survivors, descendants, and refugees, gathered with diplomats, councillors, MP's and members of the interfaith community in the Myers Hall. Every guest had the opportunity to light a candle in remembrance. A very moving ceremony with prayers, candle lighting, readings and a musical piece was attended by over 100 people, in contrast to the last year where COVID prevented such an in person event.

## **United Nations International Holocaust Remembrance Day January 2022**

On 27 January, United Nations International Holocaust Remembrance Day (UNIHHRD) HCNZ coordinated commemorations in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Hamilton and Nelson. This was the first time HCNZ had held UNIHHRD events in Hamilton and Nelson, which were in partnership with the local Jewish communities and with support from both councils.

Speakers and participants this year included the Secretary-General of the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO and their youth advocates, Holocaust survivors and their descendants, and descendants of Righteous Among the Nations, the Chief Human Rights Commissioner, Government Ministers, representatives of the NZ military, civic leaders, and Mayors, or Mayoral representation, with candles lit, testimonies, readings, prayers and songs performed across all events.

This year's UNIHHRD theme was 'Resistance', focusing on actions of resistance to the Nazi regime by Jews and non-Jews during the Holocaust - including by members of the 28th Māori Battalion, Sophie Scholl, the Hakkens family of Amsterdam, Eva Woodbury's father who saved 16 Jews in hiding in Poland, first-hand testimony of Holocaust Survivor Vera Krukziener who was saved due to the courage of her parents and nuns that hid her, and of Boyd Klap who was a member of the Dutch resistance and the Dutch army. Chief of Army, Major General John Boswell was a speaker, as was Gaye Stanley, daughter of Ngapotiki Tauhu Hopkinson of the 28th Māori Battalion. In all cities we were reminded that resistance comes in many forms and even the smallest actions can make a big difference.

Deputy Prime Minister Hon Grant Robertson MP hosted the Parliament reception for UNIHHRD and the Paul Seideman Award prize-giving for student winners of the annual composition competition on a Holocaust topic.

Due to COVID restrictions there were no more than 100 people attending any event - which is far reduced on past years.

### **Speakers at the Centre**

L'Dor VaDor Programme presenters were academics, authors, and Second generation Holocaust survivors.

### **Website**

Through the website we continued to receive school and adult group bookings, volunteer applications, student research inquiries and correspondence from members of the general public from New Zealand and around the world.

### **Education**

HCNZ's onsite student programmes were impacted by COVID-19 in 2021 and the first term of 2022, with few school bookings. Staff and volunteer educators were invited to deliver educational presentations at schools, and online presentations were also held. Online modules to be launched nationwide in conjunction with the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum have been tested by teachers at select schools.

### **Yad Vashem**

In May 2021 we held the HCNZ Rabbi Astor Yad Vashem Alumni Seminar. This seminar enabled all participants from years 2013 - 2019 to reconnect, share their educational undertakings in Holocaust education, and the impact of this professional development on their teaching practices. We are planning for our next cohort to go to Israel in 2023.

## Description and Quantification of the Entity's Outputs

### **Education Offsite:**

Education delivered by visits to schools engaged 1431 students from 14 schools, from Auckland to Southland. Due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic, some schools that had planned visits to the Centre opted for visits at their school.

### **On Site School Visits:**

HCNZ held on-site educational sessions with 388 pupils and 38 teachers from 18 New Zealand schools from as far north as Auckland and as far south as Dunedin

### **Education Online:**

59 adults registered for our 2021 Adult Education webinar series.

53 students received online delivery of our on-site education programmes, a class in Georgia, USA, and the other in Christchurch.

### **On Site Adult Group Visits:**

HCNZ had 5 booked adult groups comprised of a total of 93 people.

### **On Site Domestic Visitors**

We had 210 domestic visitors and 2 international visitors (Australia) and the Centre.

### **Events:**

1246 people attended 33 events (onsite, offsite and online). These included guest speakers presentations, information evenings and Holocaust commemorations.

### **VIPS:**

HCNZ had visits from 14 VIP including members of the diplomatic corps, Parliament, and the Human Rights Commission.

### **Social Media:**

**Facebook:** HCNZ Facebook page experienced a 9% growth in 'followers,' ending this financial period with 2612 followers, and a 13% growth in page 'likes' ending at 2541.

**Instagram:** We had a 16% increase in followers from 942 to 1096.

**Twitter:** 10% growth in followers from 398 to 437.

Anne Frank, 'Let me be myself' NZ Exhibition's Facebook page, administered by HCNZ, experienced 24% growth in 'followers' (516) and 'likes' (502).

**Anne Frank Exhibition:**

Napier: 11 March - 12 June 2021: 262 students and 778 general visitors.  
 Nelson: 2 July - 12 September 2021: 199 students and 8569 general visitors.  
 Timaru: February - March 2022: 72 students and 1625 general visitors.  
 71 students were trained as Peer Guides (57 Nelson, 14 Timaru).

**Children's Holocaust Memorial:**

Te Manawa Museum Palmerston North: 18 February 2021 - 27 June 2021: 2130 students and 38,218 general visitors.

Waitangi Treaty Grounds: 9 October 2021 - 5 December 2021: 2500 general visitors. Covid level three restrictions impacted schools and as such no school visits occurred.

	2022	2021	2019
<b>Description and Quantification of the Entity's Outputs</b>			
Number of Students that Visited the Centre	388	397	710
Number of General Visitors Visited Centre	210	159	399
Number of Attendees at Events	1,246	2,342	2,000
VIP's	14	13	52
Students Offsite (Outreach)	1,431	2,114	959

# Statement of Financial Performance

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

'How was it funded?' and 'What did it cost?'

	NOTES	2022	2021
<b>Revenue</b>			
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	1	436,741	440,444
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	1	339	382
Admission Fee		2,087	2,779
Events, Conference & Seminars revenue		265	10,433
Book Sales & DVD's		7,677	6,951
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>447,109</b>	<b>460,990</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Volunteer and employee related costs	2	296,510	287,954
Costs related to providing goods or service	2	158,320	132,788
Other expenses	2	11,432	12,800
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>466,263</b>	<b>433,542</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year</b>		<b>(19,154)</b>	<b>27,448</b>

# Statement of Financial Position

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated As at 31 March 2022

'What the entity owns?' and 'What the entity owes?'

	NOTES	31 MAR 2022	31 MAR 2021
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Bank and cash	3	372,794	483,864
Debtors and prepayments	3	615	10,876
Inventory	3	5,230	9,607
GST	3	6,127	2,516
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>384,765</b>	<b>506,863</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	18,416	23,657
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>18,416</b>	<b>23,657</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>403,181</b>	<b>530,519</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Creditors and accrued expenses	4	3,385	14,055
Employee costs payable	4	24,804	28,896
Unused donations and grants with conditions	4	178,161	271,584
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>206,350</b>	<b>314,534</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>206,350</b>	<b>314,534</b>
<b>Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)</b>		<b>196,831</b>	<b>215,985</b>
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>			
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)	6	156,831	175,985
Reserves	6	40,000	40,000
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>		<b>196,831</b>	<b>215,985</b>

## Statement of Cash Flows

### Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

'How the entity has received and used cash'

	2022	2021
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts	347,333	566,043
Receipts from providing goods or services	26,254	36,982
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts	339	382
GST	12,662	15,287
Payments to suppliers and employees	(497,657)	(419,959)
<b>Total Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	<b>(111,070)</b>	<b>198,735</b>
<b>Net Increase/ (Decrease) in Cash</b>	<b>(111,070)</b>	<b>198,735</b>
<b>Cash Balances</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	483,864	285,128
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	372,794	483,864
Net change in cash for period	(111,070)	198,735

# Statement of Accounting Policies

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

'How did we do our accounting?'

### Basis of Preparation

The entity has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

### Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The entity is registered for GST. All amounts are stated exclusive of goods and services tax (GST) except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST. Grants received are exclusive of GST.

### Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the Centre and revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received. The following specific recognition criteria must be met before revenue is recognised.

### Donations, Fundraising and other similar Revenue

Donations are recognised as revenue upon receipt.

Grant revenue includes grants given by other charitable organisations, philanthropic organisations and businesses. Grant revenue is recognised when the conditions attached to the grant has been compiled with. Where there are unfulfilled conditions attaching to the grant, the amount relating to the unfulfilled condition is recognised as a liability and released to income as the conditions are fulfilled.

Revenue from legacies and estates that satisfies the definition of an asset is recognised as revenue when it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential will flow to the entity, and the fair value can be measured reliably.

### Revenue from providing Goods and Services

The Centre receives revenue from events, conferences, seminars, books and DVD sales with the New Zealand region. Revenue is recognised in the period the goods and services are provided.

### Interest Revenue

Interest revenue is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

### Income Tax

Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated is registered as a charitable entity under the Charities Act 2005 and is exempt from income tax under the income tax legislation.

### Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

### **Leases**

Payments on operating lease agreements, where the lessor retains substantially the risk and rewards of ownership of an asset, are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

### **Property, Plant & Equipment**

Property, Plant and Equipment are recognised at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation has been calculated to allocate the cost of assets over their estimated useful lives, at the following rates

Leasehold Improvements 15% DV

Furnishings 12%-40% DV

Equipment 10%-60% DV

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and are adjusted if there is a change in the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset.

### **Inventory**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method.

### **Changes in Accounting Policies**

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the financial year.

# Notes to the Performance Report

## Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Incorporated For the year ended 31 March 2022

	2022	2021
<b>1. Analysis of Revenue</b>		
<b>Revenue from providing goods or services</b>		
Exhibition Donations & Grants	84,606	102,610
Donations - UNIHRD	9,737	8,465
Covid Wage Subsidy	-	28,506
Donations	221,152	261,244
CHM donations	2	443
Grants Received	115,000	25,000
Interest Income	339	382
Admission Fee	2,087	2,779
Book Sales & DVD's	7,677	6,951
Events, Conference & Seminars revenue	265	10,433
HCNZ Membership Subscriptions	5,294	4,603
Travel & Accommodation Expenses Refunded	741	9,573
Miscellaneous	210	-
<b>Total Revenue from providing goods or services</b>	<b>447,109</b>	<b>460,990</b>
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>

## 2. Analysis of Expenses

<b>Volunteer and employee related costs</b>		
Wages & Salaries	296,510	287,954
<b>Total Volunteer and employee related costs</b>	<b>296,510</b>	<b>287,954</b>
<b>Costs related to providing goods or services</b>		
ACC	533	480
Exhibition Costs	27,993	15,794
Bank Fees & Commissions	1,093	1,037
Communications	2,921	5,552
CHM Project	9,071	13,249
Entertainment	645	403
Events, Conference & Seminar Expenses	30,791	33,831
Insurance	6,555	5,873
IT Expenses	8,090	11,539
Marketing - Advertisement & Printing	6,856	7,205
Membership Fees Paid	824	677
Office Expenses	3,076	2,673
Professional Development	-	17
Rent	13,012	18,242
Sundry Expenses	4,972	2,869
Travel & Accommodation Costs - other	2,744	1,577
Travel and Accommodation costs - CEO	2,725	7,151

	2022	2021
UNIHRD Event Expenses	15,585	820
Yad Vashem Conference Expenses	15,243	-
Books & DVD's Purchases	5,594	3,799
<b>Total Costs related to providing goods or services</b>	<b>158,320</b>	<b>132,788</b>
<b>Other expenses</b>		
Accounting Expenses	3,291	2,635
Audit Fees	2,900	2,800
Depreciation	5,241	7,365
<b>Total Other expenses</b>	<b>11,432</b>	<b>12,800</b>
	2022	2021

### 3. Analysis of Assets

#### Bank accounts and cash

General Bank Account	58,935	158,418
Long Term Savings Bank	310,230	324,914
Short Term Savings Bank	2,623	2,630
Credit Cards	1,005	(2,099)
<b>Total Bank accounts and cash</b>	<b>372,794</b>	<b>483,864</b>

#### Debtors and prepayments

Accounts Receivable	615	10,876
<b>Total Debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>10,876</b>

#### Inventory

Stock on Hand	5,230	9,607
<b>Total Inventory</b>	<b>5,230</b>	<b>9,607</b>

#### GST

GST	6,127	2,516
<b>Total GST</b>	<b>6,127</b>	<b>2,516</b>

	2022	2021
<b>4. Analysis of Liabilities</b>		
<b>Creditors and accrued expenses</b>		
Accounts Payable	485	11,255
Sundry Accruals	2,900	2,800
<b>Total Creditors and accrued expenses</b>	<b>3,385</b>	<b>14,055</b>
<b>Employee costs payable</b>		
Holiday Pay Owing	24,804	28,896
<b>Total Employee costs payable</b>	<b>24,804</b>	<b>28,896</b>
<b>Unused donations and grants with conditions</b>		
Undisclosed Benefactor	178,161	271,584
<b>Total Unused donations and grants with conditions</b>	<b>178,161</b>	<b>271,584</b>
	2022	2021

#### 5. Property, Plant and Equipment

<b>Leasehold Improvements</b>		
Leasehold Improvements Owned	3,243	3,243
Accumulated Depreciation - Leasehold Improvements Owned	(2,718)	(2,621)
<b>Total Leasehold Improvements</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>622</b>
<b>Furniture and Fittings</b>		
Furniture and Fittings Owned	85,031	85,031
Accumulated Depreciation - Furniture and Fittings Owned	(74,329)	(71,788)
<b>Total Furniture and Fittings</b>	<b>10,702</b>	<b>13,242</b>
<b>Plant and Equipment</b>		
Plant and Equipment Owned	51,713	51,713
Accumulated Depreciation - Plant and Equipment Owned	(44,524)	(41,921)
<b>Total Plant and Equipment</b>	<b>7,189</b>	<b>9,792</b>
<b>Total Property, Plant and Equipment</b>	<b>18,416</b>	<b>23,657</b>

#### Significant Donated Assets - Not Recorded

There are no significant non-recorded donated assets owned by the Society.

	2022	2021
<b>6. Accumulated Funds</b>		
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>		
<b>Accumulated Surpluses or (Deficits)</b>		
Opening Balance	175,985	188,537
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)	(19,154)	27,448
Recognition of Capital Reserves	-	(40,000)
<b>Total Accumulated Surpluses or (Deficits)</b>	<b>156,831</b>	<b>175,985</b>

	2022	2021
<b>Reserves</b>		
Capital Reserve - Bequests	40,000	40,000
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>196,831</b>	<b>215,985</b>
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>196,831</b>	<b>215,985</b>

### Reserves

The Capital portion of the bequests cannot be used for funding of normal operations. Only the interest can be used for funding of normal operations.

## 7. Commitments

### Capital Commitments

At balance date there are no known capital expenditure commitments (Last year - nil)

### Operating Commitments

The Holocaust Centre Of New Zealand Inc entered into a five year lease to rent the premises at Webb St, Te Aro, Wellington. The five year lease period expires on the 18th August 2024. There is a right of renewal for up to two additional three year periods.

Rent was paid two weekly in advance at \$514 (excluding GST) along with an additional charge for cleaning and maintenance paid monthly. Rental is increased on an annual basis by 1.8% of the existing weekly rent.

### Commitment Value

At Balance Date This Year	At Balance Date Last Year
\$68,088 (excluding GST)	\$95,590 (excluding GST)

## 8. Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at 31 March 2022 (Last year - nil).

### **9. Significant Grants and Donations with Conditions not Recorded as a Liability**

There were no significant grants and donations with conditions not recorded as a liability (2021: \$Nil)

### **10. Goods or Services Provided to the Entity in Kind**

The Centre relies heavily on the generosity of the community within the Wellington region both financially and the amount of donated time for volunteers. In the absence of volunteers, the services may not be provided. The amount of volunteer time donated to the Trust cannot be valued as there are no equivalent paid positions with the organisation.

### **11. Assets Used as Security for Liabilities**

No assets have been used as security for liabilities as at the reporting date. (2021: \$Nil).

### **12. Assets Held on Behalf of Others**

No assets are held on behalf of others at reporting date. (2021: \$Nil).

### **13. Related Parties**

There were the following transactions involving related parties during the financial year.

1) A board member is a Director and Shareholder of a number of bars, restaurants and hotels in the Wellington region. Often board members stay at the hotels owned by the board member. During the year, the cost of this accommodation was estimated at \$Nil (2021: \$Nil).

### **14. Events After the Balance Date**

New Zealand post balance date, has been shifted in and out of various alert levels, but hasn't had an alert level 4 lockdown since April - May 2020. Since then New Zealand has moved into a new Covid-19 protection framework known as the traffic light system. This targets various regions of New Zealand rather than New Zealand as a whole. As at year end New Zealand was in the orange traffic light system. The Holocaust Centre of New Zealand continues to receive donations and grants from various sources for the period of any alert level, the full financial impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on HCNZ would be seen as minimal due to the continuous support of their donors.

### **15. Ability to Continue Operating**

Having considered financial projections, the Board of Trustees believes the entity will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated

Report on the Financial information

### Opinion

We have audited the financial information of Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated on pages 11 to 20, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2022, the statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the financial information on pages 11 to 20 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated as at 31 March 2022 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with the requirements of Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) relevant to reporting financial position, financial performance and cash flows.

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described below in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial information section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated.

### Restriction on responsibility

This report is made solely to the Members, as a body, in accordance with the rules of the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

## Independent Auditor's Report (Contd.)

### **Other Information**

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the entity information and statement of service performance but does not include the financial information and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial information does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial information, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial information or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If based, on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Board's Responsibility for the Financial information**

The Board is responsible for determining that the Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) framework is acceptable in the entity's circumstances, for the preparation of financial information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit), and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial information, the Board is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Information**

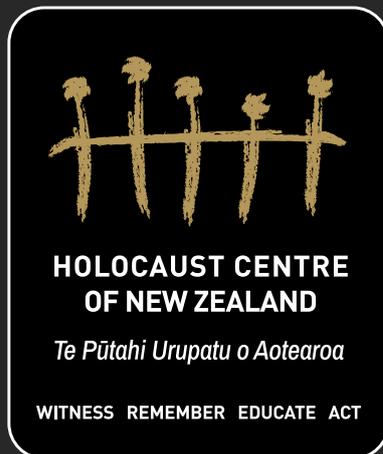
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial information as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial information.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Board and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial information or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management. We communicate with the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



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