

## The Wellington Multiple Sclerosis Society Treasurer's Report for 2023 Financial Year

The 2023 year was satisfactory financially, resulting in a surplus of \$14,328.

Thirty percent of our income came from Whaikaha - Ministry of Disabled People. We continued to be supported by our major charitable grant funders: Pub Charity, Lottery Grants Board, COGS, Jack Jeffs, Eastern Community Trust, Nikau Foundation, Kapiti District and Upper Hutt Councils. We were pleased to have a generous donation from Bluestar for the first time. We called on \$20,000 from the Dorothy Hamilton Memorial Trust.

We revived the Street Appeal and gained \$10,074 and some local publicity for the organisation. A big thanks to those who collected.

I would particularly like to thank those individuals who give regularly, some annually, most month by month. Not only does it give us the funding we can rely on, it also indicates the positive way our services are viewed in the community we seek to serve. People in the region were particularly generous this year with donations from individuals reaching over \$34,000.

Expenditure is mainly staff related. Costs were less in 2023 than 2022 because in 2022 we had an grant specifically for extra staff hours to do welfare checks and set up the Infoodle database.

Ross Judge Treasurer