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Me Heke Ki Pōneke

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Kiwi Community Assistance 5 Peterhouse Street Tawa Wellington 5028 admin@kca.org.nz

Dear Tracy and Phil Wellington

Re:Letter of recommendation/testimonial

I wanted to recognise the value of having a relationship with Kiwi Community Assistance. KCA and the Tawa Community Centre have been working together since 2015 and have developed a strong and potitive relationship.

We have a contract where the centre collects an agreed amount of food each week and has it available for the centre's community (gets stored in assigned freezers in the centre).

The value is, with a higher cost of living, there is an increased need of support in our community and the food that people are able to come and collect is invaluable. Alongside the regular food is often additional supplies that come on a week by week basis. These can be such a treat for families and individuals that never have anything apart from the basics.

This service also enables communities to be connected and meeting other people. They tend to come in, get some food, spend time in the drop in lounge, connect with others and then use other services in the centre. It is a safe place for people, and the food connection helps with this.

Yours sincerely

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