

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR HAMILTON

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Dear Mike

These are very challenging times and I know that across our city, incredible work is being done to support Hamilton families most in need.

More than ever, your organisation is providing an extremely valuable service, for which our city is very, very grateful.

On behalf of Hamilton City Councillors, I would like to very sincerely thank you for all you are doing and will continue to do in the weeks and months ahead. During this time, your service is making life a little easier for those people who are most vulnerable.

The lockdown means I am unable to visit and offer my thanks in person. But I did want to reinforce to you that your work is not going unnoticed; indeed our Council is more appreciative than ever of our vibrant and caring community sector.

Please accept my very sincere thanks and pass on my gratitude and congratulations to your team and your fabulous volunteers who are giving of their time so generously.

Hamilton is a strong and resilient city and much of that comes down to organisations like yours. I look forward to connecting with you personally once restrictions are lifted and in the meantime, I continue to be grateful you are part of our city and wish you and your organisation all the very best.

Warm regards

Paula Southgate Mayor of Hamilton