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PVI Board
member:
Tangata
Whenua

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou –

Ko nga kohatu whakarekareka o Tamatea Pokai whenua te puke te rū nei taku ngākau

Ko Otākaro te awa e mahea nei aku māharahara

No Ōtautahi ahau

E mihi ana ki ngā tohuo nehe, o Kai Tahu e noho nei au

Na reira, Tenei tatou katoa

[The Port Hills are the hills that speak to my heart](#)

[The Avon is the river that alleviates my worries](#)

[I'm from Christchurch](#)

[I recognise the ancestral and spiritual landmarks of Kai Tahu where I live.](#)

I am a Māori woman who has grown up in the South Island and also have whakapapa links into Tainui. I have six children and very recently became a Nanny to my first moko.

For 20+ years I have worked within the education, health and social sector and am currently working in Barnardos as Operations Manager for Care across Te Waipounamu. Within my professional and personal life I am passionate about addressing inequity that can be demonstrated within the systems that surround our most vulnerable.

My youngest son has vision loss which has impacted on him in terms of negotiating the world around him and has struggled at the best of times.

I am fairly new to the Board however really look forward to committing the next two years to learning, growing, stretching and advocating for whānau, tamariki and rangatahi who live with vision impairment.