

WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD GOOD CITIZENS' AWARDS 2019

Our next award in this category goes to **UN Youth New Zealand** for their important work empowering youth as change makers.

UN Youth provides civics education with the aim to connect young people with others who care and help them develop confidence in their own beliefs and abilities.

The charity engages secondary and tertiary students in the most pressing affairs of their country and the international community through interactive workshops and discussion groups. UN Youth equips young people to become informed, engaged, and critical New Zealanders who understand their global context and the connections between the local and the global.

Each year, around 300 volunteers devote endless hours to the organisation, providing high-quality civics education to our youth. Teresa Lee, who was a recipient of one of our Children and Young People awards tonight, is one of these dedicated volunteers.

Last year, UN Youth engaged with over 1500 Auckland rangatahi. This year, UN Youth has already engaged with almost 1000 youth and have several more conferences and events in the works.

We are thrilled to present this organisation with an award tonight as they represent a new generation of leaders.

Congratulations UN Youth New Zealand!