



**RESOURCE WISE™**

**EDUCATION PROGRAMMES**



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**WASTE MINIMISATION GRANT**

**HOW TO APPLY**

The Taupō District Council has a grant available through our Waste Minimisation Fund to support individuals or organisations to reduce waste. Applicants can apply for up to \$5000 to fund a project that does one of the following:

- Reduce the generation and consumption of waste
- Divert waste from landfill through reuse, repair, recycling, and composting
- Educate about the problems with food waste, single-use plastics, or other wastes
- Encourage a circular economy through recovery of materials into new products or energy

For information on how to apply, please visit the Waste Minimisation page of the TDC website

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**WASTE MANAGEMENT AT EVENTS**

- Event organisers and stakeholders are required under the Solid Waste Bylaw to consider waste produced in planning and delivery of events. A waste management plan for each event must be provided and amended to the satisfaction of Council
- Taupō District Council supports event managers and organisers of events of all sizes to consider waste minimisation when they are planning and implementing waste management systems at events.

For more information, please contact [events@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:events@taupo.govt.nz)

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**BUSINESS**

**WASTE AUDITS**

The Resource Wise Business (RWB) Programme works directly with local businesses who make a commitment to reduce waste to landfill.

As part of the programme, businesses receive an annual waste audit, a summary report with a detailed action plan as well as resources and support to implement actions.

For further information, please contact [wasteminimisation@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:wasteminimisation@taupo.govt.nz) or visit the Waste Minimisation Page of [taupo.govt.nz](http://taupo.govt.nz)



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**COMMUNITY**

**PARA KORE**

Para Kore has a vision for all marae to be working towards zero waste by 2020.

Taupō District Council sponsors the Para Kore programme that is designed to support marae to reduce waste. The Para Kore team can give a presentation to your marae committee, provide waste advisors to work with your marae, deliver Para Kore wānanga to your whanau and help your marae set-up recycling and composting systems.



**LITTER CLEAN-UP EVENTS**

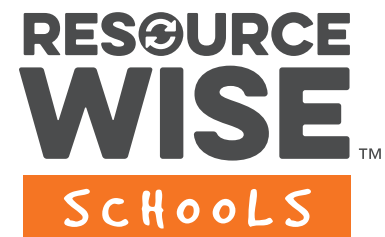
If you would like to undertake a rubbish clean up on public land, you must first register your event with Taupō District Council. Once registered and approved, the clean-up organiser will have access to rubbish bags, gloves and disposal arrangements for the waste (subject to meeting some health and safety requirements).

To register your clean up, please email [shanson@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:shanson@taupo.govt.nz)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION GET IN TOUCH WITH US**

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Resource Wise materials provided in partnership with Tauranga City Council



### PRACTICAL EDUCATION

This is a free programme available to all Taupō educational institutions wanting to start their journey (or continue on their way) to more sustainable resource use, waste minimisation and waste management. Participants move through four stages of wise resource use. Practical support is given to assist the school in succeeding at each level e.g. a waste audit, worm farms, compost bin materials, signage for waste bins plus more.

### WASTE AUDITS

As part of the RWS Programme, annual waste audits are conducted by a RWS Educator, to gather and analyse data on waste and resource recovery practices. Participants then receive a report providing recommendations on how they can make improvements to reduce waste and save costs on rubbish disposal.

To receive a free waste audit, schools must be part of the RWS Programme.

### CLASSROOM EDUCATION

Taupō District Council staff provide free classroom waste education to schools within the district. Each participating class receives a visit from an experienced educator who delivers a lesson hand-crafted based on the schools' individual interests or waste goals. Examples of topics include: food waste, plastic, Great Pacific Garbage Patch, and waste in the Taupō District.

The programme is offered from all schools from Early Childhood Centres to colleges.

The classroom teaching should complement the practical education if being undertaken in the institution.

### LANDFILL FIELD TRIPS

Many residents in Taupō have no idea what happens to their rubbish and recycling when it leaves the kerbside. A free tour through the Taupō Transfer Station can help solve that. Each tour is about 90 minutes and covers the recycling centre, ReUse Store, dump site, and landfill.

### PAPER4TREES

Paper4trees is a free paper and cardboard recycling programme for educational institutions supported by Taupō District Council. Institutions are required to collect paper and cardboard in bins provided, weigh the collected paper and cardboard, and then record the data. The data is then collated at the end of the year with institutions rewarded for their hard work by receiving native plants or trees, to be planted in school grounds or donated to community groups.

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### WASTE FREE WITH KATE WORKSHOPS

#### Waste Free Living

Prepare to be inspired, become motivated, and take control of your household's impact on our future. Get lots of exciting and inspirational education around ways you can minimise waste at home.

#### Waste Free Parenting

This is a humorous, entertaining and inspirational event full of tips and ideas around ways you can minimise waste at home.

You get a FREE \$100 goodie bag with each ticket, bursting with waste minimisation products. Workshops are subsidised by Taupō District Council to keep the entry cost low for participants.

#### Food Lovers Masterclass

At this educational masterclass, not only will you receive \$100 worth of goodies, you will get lots of exciting and inspirational advice around ways you can reduce your food waste.

Topics include meal planning, smart shopping, smart storage, plus learn about the first in first out approach/method, what is the difference between use by and best before and when all else fails the last resort options.

Check out the Taupō District Council Facebook page to RSVP to one of Kate's events the next time she's in Taupō!

### FREE COUNCIL-RUN WORKSHOPS

Taupō District Council hosts free workshops throughout the year focusing on waste minimisation. Keep an eye out for our annual Plastic Free July workshop in July, our holiday waste workshop in November, and more.

### COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS

Taupō District Council, in conjunction with Awahi Farm and the Taupō Community Garden, offers free 90-minute compost workshops throughout the year in Taupō and Turangi. These workshops teach participants how to start a compost pile or worm farm, and how to harvest the compost to use on gardens as a beneficial plant food and soil conditioner. Attendees at each workshop are in the running to win a free compost bin. Participants can go home and get started straight away!

In addition, we have vouchers available at our Customer Service offices for discounts off of a variety of different compost bins and worm farms.

Keep an eye on the Taupō District Council Facebook page for upcoming workshops or call 07 376 0899 for our 2020 workshop dates.

