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### AROHANUI HOSPICE PARTNERS WITH HUMPHRIES CONSTRUCTION TO RELOCATE HOME

Arohanui Hospice partnered with UCOL in 2013 to build a 111 square metre relocatable home. The home was constructed by a group of 18 Certificate in Carpentry Level 4 students at UCOL's Regional Trades and Technology Centre in Palmerston North.

Since the completion of the build the Hospice has been working to find a suitable section to relocate the home.

Hospice's Louise Curtis, Director of Strategy and Operations, is excited to announce this week that they have partnered with Humphries Construction and will be relocating the home to Humphries' Wescombe Grove development in Feilding.

Louise explains, "We have been working with Paul Humphries and his team to find a suitable site to relocate the home to. We are thrilled to have secured the site and have work commence on this project."

There have been a number of sponsors and supporters who have worked with the Hospice throughout this project. Two key sponsors that have offered crucial support throughout the entire project are Mitre 10 Mega and E3 Architects. More sponsors are coming on board now to assist with the relocation.

"We are very grateful for the support and generosity of the many businesses that have helped us with this project. We are especially grateful to Humphries Construction and Central House Movers for coming on board and helping us complete the project," continued Louise.

Humphries Construction Director Paul Humphries is happy to be helping with the project and helping raise crucial funds for the Hospice.

"Humphries Construction is thrilled to be involved in this partnership. Arohanui Hospice has provided care and respite for some of our team's nearest and dearest, so to have the opportunity to 'give back' is rewarding. Easy living and a homely welcome is what Wescombe Grove is all about, the subdivision will be further enhanced with the addition of this community project," said Paul.

The site is currently being cleared and prepared for the relocation with the goal to have the house ready to go to market complete by early May.

When complete the home will offer 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, separate laundry, spacious open plan living and dining, and a stand alone double garage. The home has fantastic indoor outdoor flow leading onto an outdoor living area and landscaped garden.

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The Hospice is aiming to have the home on the market in May, with the profits from the sale going towards their annual funding shortfall which currently sits at \$2.5 million for the 2016/17 financial year.

To find out more about Arohanui Hospice and the services it delivers, visit <a href="https://www.arohanuihospice.org.nz">www.arohanuihospice.org.nz</a> or contact 06 356 6606.

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#### **Notes to Editors:**

- Since 1991 Arohanui Hospice in Palmerston North has been providing specialist palliative care for people with a life-limiting illness in the Manawatu, Tararua, Horowhenua and Rangitikei regions.
- Care provided by Arohanui Hospice enables patients to achieve the best possible quality of life, and provides support to their families.
- Hospice care is holistic, encompassing the physical, psychosocial, spiritual and cultural needs of the patient and their family.
- Care is free of charge and provided wherever people need it at the hospice inpatient unit, at home or an alternative comfortable environment.
- The services provided include support of the patient in the community, inpatient care, respite care, 24-hour advice, outpatient clinics, day procedures, an activities-based day programme, social work services, family support, pastoral and bereavement support.
- The majority of patients cared for each year by Arohanui Hospice have cancer. However, also it also cares for people with non-malignant conditions such as motor neurone disease, respiratory disease and heart disease.
- Arohanui Hospice is only partly funded by the government and each year needs to make up the shortfall in funding. In the 2016-2017 financial year the hospice needs to raise \$2.5 million from the community.