



ACTION STORY

MURI ENVIRONMENT CARE

A New Workshop for our Restoration Nursery

This grant enabled the construction of a workshop within a 40-foot shipping container at our restoration nursery. The workshop boasts a timber frame, a secure metal grate for ventilation and tool storage, a sturdy workbench, and a circular saw – significantly upgrading our carpentry capabilities. We were incredibly fortunate to have a skilled builder volunteer their time and expertise.



Nursery Focus: Research and Development

Our organisation is dedicated to researching and developing effective propagation methods for endemic and native Cook Islands plant species. Our current plantings represent experimental trials and pilot projects. The number of plants is relatively small, reflecting the limited history of restoration planting in the Cook Islands – we're essentially pioneering this work. We're committed to ensuring our methods are both culturally appropriate and locally sustainable.

Key Project Benefits:

The new workshop has delivered several key benefits:

- Improved Efficiency: Centralised tool storage and a dedicated workspace have significantly improved operational efficiency.
- Enhanced Capacity: The project has boosted our capacity for nursery infrastructure development.
- Stream Health Monitoring: Improved facilities now support stream health assessment and monitoring.
- Strengthened Outreach: The workshop strengthens the base for our educational and community outreach programmes.
- Riparian and Coastal Restoration: The project better supports our ongoing riparian and coastal restoration work.



Project Impact: Reaching Out to the Community

This project has had a wide-ranging positive impact:

Community Outreach: Thousands of households have been reached through broader educational outreach programmes.



Expression of Gratitude:

We are immensely grateful for your support. The difference is incredible! Before the grant, we were struggling to store our tools under the potting bench. This small grant has been massively successful – thank you so much! Please don't hesitate to contact us if you require any further information.



200-300 School
students



40-60 Volunteers



6-10 Landowners