

## What's happening in your community

## Opening of Pukehinau kai hub, **Te Ngaehe o Rau Hīnau**

The 17th of December was a special day! Kaicycle and Te Toi Mahana welcomed tenants and wider community members to the Pukehinau Flats māra kai (food garden) learning hub. Nate Rowe generously opened the space on behalf of mana whenua Taranaki Whānui and gifted us the apt name Te Ngaehe o Rau Hīnau, meaning the rustling of the Hīnau trees - a tohu ora or positive sign of the abundance of this whenua (land)!

Over the past several months, talented tenants from Pukehinau and other Te Toi Mahana complexes have been germinating veges and sunflowers and building garden beds from wood kindly donated by Haines Pallets. The first few beds have now been filled with Kaicycle compost with the guidance and help of kaiwhakahaere/ Kaicycle project manager Tina Walker-Ferguson and local woodworking expert Clare Lennard.

We would love for you to come learn and share your food knowledge with us! Tamariki (children) are very welcome too. Weekly sessions in the space are on Wednesdays, 3:30pm-onwards.

You can email Community **Development Facilitator** 

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