



"St John Health Shuttle in Feilding has a team of 21 volunteers who are both drivers and assistants. Feilding is the busiest Health Shuttle service in New Zealand, which means our volunteers put in many hours. A typical day for a team of 2 in a shuttle can cover nearly 300ks, there at least 2 shuttles out and sometimes 3. We cover PN, Feilding, Bunnythorpe, Awahuri, Rongotea, Kopane, Ashhurst, and Wellington for medical appointments. Our team is made up of wonderful caring people from all walks of life. Some are retired, working, looking after grandchildren, or volunteering for other organisations and yet they give their time to help run this service. Not only do they get people to and from their appointments, but they enrich the lives of those people in countless ways. The conversations they have getting to know our clients, offering a listening ear and empathy, the smiles they give, the umbrellas they hold up in the rain, the stopping at the chemist so the client can get their prescription, and so much more. They are also a team who cover each other when needed, drop in flowers, ring, or visit when another volunteer is unwell, pop in for a chat with me to pass on client feedback and offer their own feedback as they are the eyes and ears on the ground. I could truly sing the teams praises all day. They are all an amazing bunch and St John is very blessed to have them. ."

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