# OUT IMPOICT Story 2024 edition







# we're now certified B Corp, and we're mighty proud of it



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Certified B Corporations are a global community of businesses that meet high standards of social and environmental performance. They lead a movement toward a more inclusive, equitable, and regenerative economy.





**2024 The Collective** Impact Report.

# our top notes

### our planet

# our people

We want to challenge the norm and prove that businesses can be both profitable and a force for good.

Becoming a B Corp is a natural step for us, as its values and ethos align with our business purpose to fight the good food fight. It's incredible to now stand alongside like-minded businesses, all working together to drive positive change.

This year, we achieved Toitū Enviromark Bronze certification, cut landfill waste by 25%, and introduced enhanced parental leave to better support parents during this special time.

These milestones are just a snapshot of our progress. This report takes you deeper into our journey toward even bigger goals. I hope you find it an inspiring and uplifting read!

Ngā mihi,



Ange Lewis;



# hello and what a year its been

We're proud as punch to join the B Corp<sup>™</sup> movement.



Head of Sustainability.

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# our purpose is to fight the good food fight

# planet reduce carbon scope 1 & 2 by 30% by 2030

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Measure	2022	2023	2024
Scope 1 & 2 carbon tonnes	496	594	605
Scope 1 & 2 carbon tonnes offset	496	594	offset in 2025
Difference vs prior year	baseline	20%	<b>2</b> %



# people 75% of employees to volunteer by 2026

Measure	2022	2023	2024
Percentage of staff volunteering	0	32%	<b>51</b> %
Staff volunteering hours	0	114	216





our products

# product 30% of packaging from recycled materials

5	Recycled content	2022	2023	2024
	All packaging	ユコ	31%	35%
	Tubs, lids & bottles	not measured	19%	25%
	Cardboard	ured	53%	53%
<u>.</u>	Pouches		0%	0%



our planet





# bicking carbon to the kerb





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# introducing our impact team

This crew leads sustainability at The Collective, meeting quarterly to tackle projects big and small. They focus on energy and waste reduction, organise volunteering, food donations, and even litter clean-ups.







# we're counting carbon

This year, we started embedding carbon reduction into our decision making. Shifting our impact tracking to monthly has given us greater visibility of our impact tracking.

Key actions: • started carbon reporting to leadership team and the board • mapped our 2030 carbon roadmap • formed an impact team to drive reductions in the business

our top notes



waste

our four focus areas ☆ heat & electricity ☆ freight & packaging ☆ waste & recycling ☆ employee commuting

# zooming in on carbon helps us better understand the impact of our daily operations



# our products

# vehicles



## our products



### staff saved 11,200 km of petrol through alternative travel

paid \$1,000 in perks to staff for using alternative commuting options

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# tackling scope 2 emissions with Meridian Energy

In New Zealand, not all energy is renewable. That's why we partnered with Meridian and purchased Certified Renewable Energy.

The Certified product supports renewable energy generation by funding see monotonic se

PROUD SUPPORTERS OF CERTIFIED RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY GENERATION



see meridian.co.nz/certified

carbon impacts: reduced scope 2 emissions to 36 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> in 2024 achieving zero scope 2 emissions from 2025







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# our factory and warehouses are now Enviromark certified

To help us to keep track of our environmental compliance obligations and identify areas for future improvements, we set up an Environmental Management System (EMS). The EMS is audited annually by the good folk a Toitū Envirocare.

this year we've learnt:







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# supporting local growth

This year, we set out to learn about and help protect our local waterways. These are the Whau River, where our stormwater flows and Oakley Creek. Partnering with Ngā Ringa o Te Auaunga Friends of Oakley Creek, we've started a native tree nursery and cleared weeds to help them thrive.





# first planted: 8 x Toe toe 5 x Nikau 6 x Ti kouka 5 x Kahikatea 5 x Pukatea 6 x Harakeke and 5 x Putaputaweta



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# proud to support global clean water access

In New Zealand, we're fortunate to have access to clean drinking water. Globally, access to clean water is becoming a growing challenge as the climate warms.

This year, through our scope 1 & 2 carbon offsets, we're supporting clean water projects in developing countries.



Scan to learn more about our supported projects.

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Supported project #1 Ceramic water filters, Laos

This project provides filters to clean water instead of boiling it. Saving CO<sub>2</sub> emission and improve health of the local community.



### our products

Supported project #2 Clean water access, Eritrea

Eritrea faces severe droughts, floods, and desertification, leading to food insecurity and malnutrition. This project helps communities repair boreholes for clean drinking water.

# our community





# we look after each other

We want working at The Collective to be fun and rewarding for our people.

We're committed to being a welcoming and inclusive workplace where everyone feels valued, respected and safe. Safe to be themselves in a safe work environment.











## our products

91% of permanent staff are eligible for health, life, and trauma insurance

our first two parents received paid parental leave 

# we value diversity

At our core, we want everyone at The Collective to feel included and have a sense of belonging. Our diverse team brings fresh perspectives that strengthen us as we grow, representing over 12 cultures and a high proportion of women.

To support gender equality, we offer flexible work, enhanced parental leave, career development support, and actively monitor the gender pay gap.

Gender Pay Gap	F24	F25	
at The Collective	14.0%	5.6%	
The NZ average gender pay gap is 8.2%.			

Reported by Ministry of Women 2024 www.women.govt.nz





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# fighting food waste with KiwiHarvest

In a world where 30% of food is lost from farm to fork, KiwiHarvest has rescued more than 14,000,000 kgs of food, providing over 31 million meals to Kiwis in need.

We're grateful to be part of this important mahi for a second year. Rolling up our sleeves to fight food waste and support the community.







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# lowering carbon with dairy-free

Our dairy-free tubs are designed with just a third of the carbon footprint of dairy yoghurt. All remaining emissions are offset with ClimatePartner.



Scan to learn more about our supported projects.

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The Collective dairy-free yoghurt



**ClimatePartner certified product** climate-id.com/5TAQ87

e Collective dairy-free yoghurt

The Collective dairy-free yoghurt 450g

REAL VANILLA BLENDED WITH COCONUT AND OAT MILK Probiotic dairy-free yoghurt 8509

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# our products



### Dairy-Free offsets support the Plastic Bank project

For the fourth year, we've continued to support Plastic Bank to help keep plastic out of oceans.

our people







in 2024, reusing pouch rails kept 80 tonnes of waste out of landfill

# our products

filled pouches heading to the boxing room

pouches arrive at our factory on rails, which are sent back to the supplier for reuse. then, new pouches are loaded onto the returned rails – closing the loop!

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# in 2025 our products will start to display ARL recycling icons

the icons align with NZ's waste system, this empowers consumers and industry to improve recycling and reduce landfill waste





we're looking into how to make our bottles recyclable



# our products



pouch

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recycling.kiwi.nz

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# pouch multibox





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# we advocate for positive change through industry groups

### our products



the PPPS is a project led by the Ministry of Environment, aiming to overhaul plastic recycling systems in NZ. in 2024, we submitted to the proposal outlining impacts on manufacturers and consumers

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# and that's a wrap on 2024 ... but this story is far from over!



