



Muscular Dystrophy New Zealand

The removal of cheques in NZ and how to keep supporting MDANZ

Thank you for the support you have shown members of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of New Zealand (MDANZ).

As you may be aware, New Zealand banks have started phasing out cheques. This is due to the cost and time it takes to process cheques, and their decline in use.

Kiwibank went cheque-free in February, and from 29 May, we will no longer be able to use our bank to process cheque donations from the ANZ.

If you are a cheque user, we appreciate this will be a big change. However, MDANZ and the banks, are well equipped to help you find giving options that suit you.

With 40% of MDANZ's gifts coming in by cheque, the potential loss of this support is significant to us. In order to keep supporting our members at the current levels, here are the ways that you can donate without a chequebook.



Make your donation in person at your bank or a NZ Post Shop.

Local bank branch. One-off donations can be made by visiting your bank.

NZ Post Shop. You can make a one-off donation using cash or eftpos. Their systems are set up and ready to accept charity donations.



Giving over the phone

Calling MDANZ. If you don't have a computer, you can call us and provide your debit or credit card details over the phone.

Phone banking service. If you use your bank's phone banking service, you can make a one-off donation through that system.

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Using the internet

Bank website. If you are familiar with online/internet banking, simply log in to your bank and make a one-off transfer or set up an automatic payment.

MDA website. Our website accepts secure donations via credit or debit card. Go to www.mda.org.nz and click the donate button.



Posting your donation

Handwrite your card details. Using the check box on our quarterly appeal donation form, you can write down your debit or credit card details.

Cash. Using the check box on our quarterly appeal donation form, you can put cash into an envelope and post it to us.



Become a regular monthly supporter

Direct debit form. By making regular donations to MDANZ as a Regular Giver you retain control of your giving by deciding how much you wish to donate and how often. We can provide you with the direct debit form or you can set up an automatic payment through your bank.

If you need extra support, or have any questions, please reach out to your bank or call our friendly team on 0800 800 337.

We will continue to issue receipts as usual. However, we would be grateful if you could please provide your email address on the donation slip enclosed. That way we can send your receipt by email.

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge your support of our association. Your gifts continue to make a real difference to the lives of New Zealanders living with muscular dystrophy.

Kind regards,

Mike Nolan

National Chairperson