



PSA 

Stand up for library workers

5 May 2021

Wear Purple Day and support our library assistants' pay equity claim

Next Thursday 13th of May we are donning purple to show our support for our Library Assistants Pay Equity claim. PSA lodged this claim with 6 Councils – Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin on the 13 May 2019, despite COVID, we believe that this has been taking too long to progress.

The current delay is over the employer Council group wanting to explore the use of the Strategic Pay evaluation tool in assessing the role. We have asked the Councils to use the fit for purpose work assessment tool developed with the Government, Unions and Employers. We are currently awaiting to hear back from the Councils in order to proceed to the work assessment phase.

We are encouraging all Council PSA members to **WEAR PURPLE** on the anniversary of the claim to show support for library assistants at the 6 Councils. This is a simple action that everyone could participate in. Showing your support for our claim by wearing colour has long been a staple of the activist's toolkit, not only does it stand out visually, but it is also a conversation starter: when people ask, tell them why you are wearing purple. Tell your friends, your whanau, your library patrons, your community, that Council library assistants are frustrated on the lack of progress on their claim. Wear purple to tell Councils that library assistants are **Worth 100%**.

There is a prize for best-dressed group and/or use of merchandise of \$100 worth of book vouchers. Send your photos in to comms@psa.org.nz

We need everyone to get involved and support this claim. For more information visit our website [campaign page](#)

Your PSA member number is **7378015**

For further information regarding wear purple day or the libraries campaign please contact

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