

# PORT WATCH AUCKLAND

A monthly newsletter from the Auckland International Seafarers Centre



## By The Numbers—2024 in Review



Our team completed 1015 ship visits in 2024, connecting with over 3000 crew onboard their vessel.

4728 visitors to the Centre represented a 54% increase in the number of visitors in 2023.

Our team exchanged over \$100,000USD in 2024, helping seafarers maximize their shore leave.

## A Christmas Party to remember



This year over 50 people visited the Centre to celebrate the work in 2024. Supporters, families, agents and seafarers all joined in the festivities.

Chaplain Aaron explained to the gathering that the motivation for the Centre was “Philoxenia” - the love of the stranger.

The night also doubled as a birthday party for Commander Larry Robbins from Sailors Society!

## Sailors Society and Mission to Seafarers Collaboration



Both societies are collaborating to promote each others' global services onboard ships visiting ports where Mission to Seafarers and Sailors Society have an active presence.

Sailors Society has over 70+ Online Peer to Peer Support Groups through the Whats APP platform. Groups are based around common-ground like rank, gender, ethnicity and sexuality.

Mission to Seafarers administers a Global Happiness at Sea Survey that gathers real-time data on crew well-being that helps provide welfare insights to the sector and policy makers.

*“Seafarers are welcomed at the Centre what makes them feel better. Warm atmosphere makes crew feeling like being at home”*

## Evaluation Survey Response

Maritime Welfare Ltd delivers services at the AISC with grant funds from Maritime NZ and local partners.