## How has LETS improved your life?

- Gives a new network of community when moving to a new area
- LETS has helped me to feel part of a community
- Improves social life
- Financial savings
- Learning new skills
- Recycling/re-using/rehoming things no longer needed
- Helping to de-clutter
- Better use of resources
- Knowledge sharing
- Can now afford "luxury" items
- Improved disposable income
- LETS is an extended family
- Sharing with like-minded people
- LETS has inspired me to look within to see what I have to offer the world
- Supportive: I'm not intimidated by asking for help
- I've become minimalist
- I've learned to value others' skills
- Learning new skills from others, having faith to allow an opportunity to learn
- Global network access
- Discovering new opportunities for trading overseas
- Opened my mind to sustainability initiatives
- LETS members have helped me prepare for my son's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday when I was just out of hospital cleaned my house, made a beautiful cake, decorated the house wonderful!
- Networking for our business to promote our product and services
- Allowed us to access products and services that we couldn't afford with \$ especially helpful when transiting through our relocation and new business set-up.
- Peace of mind knowing we have an economic alternative
- I enjoy being around LETS people who tend to be: creative, flexible, solution-finding, friendly, forward-looking, willing to try new things
- Makes life interesting

- Growing loving appreciation of different people's ways
- I appreciate meeting like-minded people
- I can ask people to do tasks that I find difficult, which gives me confidence.
- Has allowed us to expand our \$ budget because of trading bartles
- LETS has given HOPE for future generations
- Allowed a good quality of life when our salary was low (books, toys, clothes, massage)
- Lots of opportunity to garden and help people, both of which I love to do
- Proud to be a part of a radical movement to change the world for the better
- It's a practical way of implementing the principles of Permaculture
- Through working bees I feel needed and appreciated which gives me a much-needed boost as well as keeping me fitter, more alert, more active, so good for my health.
- I love to transfer my home-grown veges and stuff from my garden to people who like and appreciate them
- My first transaction got my beautiful Husky
- It's a vital post-retirement opportunity