

## TAMAKI COLLEGE DRIVER TRAINING CAR PROJECT

Tamaki College is a decile 1 co-educational school in Auckland's eastern suburbs. The college has adopted the goal of assisting its students to obtain driving licences while at the school. By this means, it aims to assist the students to be career-ready when they leave the college.

The Rotary Club of Auckland East, NZ, determined that the existing 15-year-old driver training vehicle used by the school was well past



## TIMOR RYLA GRADUATES BECOME BLOOD DONORS

Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) graduates in Timor-Leste are leading the way with blood donations to support the local hospital campaign.

Since 2016, RYLA Community Services has organised a national event with RYLarians and students to volunteer blood donations to support the campaign conducted by Hospital Nacional Guido Valadares Timor-Leste.

The CVTL (Cruz Vermelha Timor-Leste – Red Cross Timor-Leste) and Banco de De Sangue have a partnership with RYLA in Timor-Leste to organise volunteer blood donations every year.

The three-year partnership commenced in 2016. Some 140 people have donated 140 litres of blood four times each year through to 2018.

RYLA in Timor-Leste has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Red Cross for ongoing support of the blood donor program. Donations took place again on November 24, 2018, and a similar event is planned for September 7, 2019, to mark the 10th anniversary of RYLA in Timor-Leste.



**Rotary Club of Auckland East president Bevan Iles, left, and Tamaki College Principal Soana Pamaka with the new Suzuki Swift.**

its use by date and commenced a program to raise funds to replace the car with a newer model. A total of \$10,000 was raised through donations from individuals, businesses and charitable trusts, as well as a Give a Little Page. The school raised an additional \$9000 from a local trust, which enabled the purchase of a brand-new Suzuki Swift, arranged by Rotary Club of Auckland East.

The car was formally handed over on December 10.