



## **Jessica Tupai**



“I applied to be a Youth MP for 2025, because in the current political environment that we as a country are facing right now, I believe it is one of the most important times for the voices of our rangatahi to be heard, especially at the forefront of decision making in Aotearoa. I not only wanted to use this opportunity to bring my views and perspective to such an influential platform and part of our country, but to become a bridge for all of those in my community in Wellington, especially my Pasifika people, as well as the rangatahi and youth within my community to be heard as well. I wanted them to see that there is a way their voices can shape the future they see for New Zealand, by advocating for them and my community as a Youth MP.”

**Selecting MP: Tamatha Paul**

**Location: Wellington**