

8. COMMUNITY FUNDING 2002/03

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the outcomes from the 2002/2003 Community Funding round.

This year there were 32 applications for the Community Development Scheme, an increase of two on last year.

The following details the amounts requested and allocated:

	AVAILABLE	REQUESTED	ALLOCATED
Community Development Scheme	\$37,639	\$48,943	\$20,405
Community Board Community Development Top Up	\$25,000	\$36,068	\$24,804

There was a balance of \$17,234 remaining in the Community Development Scheme which will be carried over into next year's funding round if no further qualifying funding requests for viable projects within the community are received.

Copies of the working summaries and allocations are **attached** for record purposes.

The Funding Committee expressed its concern at the increasing number of requests received to meet the needs of international students, and asks that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board seek an investigation of current ESOL programmes and the resourcing of migrant/refugee services to identify priorities, ensure the most efficient use of available resources and to prevent duplication.

The Community Advocate comments:-

"Members may recall that the Council has recently reviewed all aspects of its funding support to the community. One outcome was that the timing for the Community Funding round be changed in order that funds granted could be of better benefit for organisations in so far as planning and programme implementation is concerned. At the time of report preparation no decision had been made as to whether a further round will be initiated in 2003."

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the information be received.
 2. That the Community Relations Manager be requested to initiate a review of current organisations providing ESOL programmes and that the requested review also include a response on the above mentioned factors.

Chairman's

- Recommendation:** That the above recommendation be adopted.