

(A) COMMUNITY SERVICE AND YOUTH AWARDS

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's guidance regarding the presentation ceremony for its 2003 Community Service and Youth Awards.

Traditionally, the Board has held two separate award ceremonies for its Community Service and Youth Awards, but decided this year to hold a joint ceremony in the Boardroom of the new South Christchurch Library/Service/Learning Centre. However, due to fire regulations, it is recommended that a maximum of only fifty people be present in the Boardroom at any time. It is believed the room would comfortably hold up to 60-65 people at one time.

This year there are six Youth Award recipients, with each nominee having four guests (including nominators), providing a total of thirty, plus Board members and staff. There are ten Community Service Award recipients, each having four guests (including nominators), providing a total of fifty, plus Board members and staff. As a joint ceremony would greatly exceed the maximum numbers permitted for the Boardroom, it is recommended that two separate ceremonies be held.

Suggested dates for two ceremonies are:

Thursday	4 September
Friday	5 September

Board members may also wish to consider what time of the day the ceremonies be held, and the actual format for each ceremony.

Staff Recommendation: For discussion.