11. PROJECT AND DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

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The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Board to bring forward payment of \$5,000 of the 2003/04 Project funding allocation of \$10,000 to the Homemade Partnership Trust (Supergrans) and to inform the Board of a funding request for the Be Real Dance Project of the Crossroads Youth with a Future Trust.

HOMEMADE PARTNERSHIP TRUST

Supergrans have indicated an annual funding shortfall for the current financial year of \$50,000. Without additional funding Supergrans will be forced to either cease operation or go into temporary recess from Easter 2003.

Other funding allocations for 2003/04 will be available from June 2003, at which time Supergrans will return to financial viability. However, the current situation will be repeated in 2004 if a more permanent solution is not found.

Major funding sources have reduced their usual allocations, so alternative means will be investigated by Supergrans in partnership with the Aranui Community Development Adviser, other officers, and partners of the Aranui Community Renewal. Supergrans is a vital community organisation that is delivering essential services to individuals and families. It is never likely to become self-funding, as it is unable to charge clients for the services it delivers. Finding specific sponsorship for the courses that Supergrans deliver is one potential solution being investigated as these cost over \$80,000 to deliver.

BE REAL DANCE PROJECT

A request has been received from the Crossroads Youth with a Future Trust for funding for the Trust's Be Real Dance Project. The project was initiated approximately four months ago as a pilot in conjunction with the Trust's Stay Real youth agency and the Council. A seeding grant of \$650 was made to initiate the project.

The dance project has been running on Monday nights from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm in the Wainoni/Aranui Family Centre. The age range catered for is 12-16 years. The project started out with two students and has grown to 30 students. Two tutors are now required.

A fee of \$10 per term is charged (approximately \$1 per week) to cover refreshments. The other costs of the project are the fee for each tutor of \$20 per hour for 1.5 hours per week and the charge of \$15 per week for hiring the hall.

The Trust is seeking funding to cover the tutor's wages for the next six months. The total cost is \$1,560 (\$780 per tutor).

The Trust is securing sponsorship for the hire of the hall and looking for sponsorship for a new CD player. It is hoping to source enough funds through community and pub charity funding for the project to be self-sufficient by the end of 2003.

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Recommendations:

- 1. That the Board bring forward payment of \$5,000 of the 2003/04 Project funding allocation of \$10,000 to the Homemade Partnership Trust by allocating \$5,000 from the 2002/03 Discretionary funds.
- 2. That the officers involved continue to investigate future funding solutions with Supergrans.
- 3. That officers investigate funding for the Be Real Dance Project of the Crossroads Youth with a Future Trust from Aranui Community Renewal funds.

Chairperson's Recommendation:

That the abovementioned recommendations be adopted.