

15. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

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The purpose of this report is to request the Board consider funding priority three applications from the 2004/2005 round of the Community Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

THE ISSUE

The Spreydon Heathcote Community Funding Committee (SHCFC) met on the 6th and 11th of October to consider the Community Development applications for the 2004/2005 round. Forty applications were received requesting \$97,889. The Committee had a total of \$48,187 to allocate. Due to the quality of applications all funds were allocated to priority one and two projects. Subsequently no priority three projects were supported through the Community Development Scheme. As a result, the Funding Committee resolved to forward the priority three applications with recommendations to the Community Board for consideration.

OPTIONS

The following table illustrates the group, their project, how much was requested and the Funding Committee's recommendations made in relation to the priority one and two recommendations and the Community Development Scheme Guidelines.

Group	Project Description and Cost	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
12 th Christchurch Girls Brigade	Training Course costs \$620	\$620	\$400
29 th Christchurch Girls Brigade	Leadership Training costs \$1,560	\$1,000	\$1,000
5 th Christchurch Girls Brigade	Leadership Training costs \$610	\$460	\$400
Hargest Crescent Kindergarten	Education equipment and games \$1,195	\$1,195	\$1,000
Landsdowne Terrace Playcentre	Gymnastic equipment \$746	\$500	\$500
Somerfield Playcentre	Play equipment costs \$1,422	\$1,222	\$1,000
St Martins Community Library	Purchase of books \$15,000	\$4,000	\$2,500 *dependent upon circulation rates
Cashmere Scout Group	Training camp costs and National Jamboree costs \$10,803	\$6,113	\$1,700 *committee requested that this be based on numbers of disadvantaged children wanting to attend

In relation to this request the Board may consider:

- allocating the recommended amounts as per the above table to the individual groups
- allocating \$8,500 (total recommended amount) to the Community Development Scheme for allocation in accordance with the above table
- declining the request.

PREFERRED OPTION

The most appropriate option for consideration would be that the Board allocate \$8,500 to the Community Development Funding Committee for allocation as per the above table. This would mean that the above applications would be included in the Community Development Scheme database which would present the true picture of demand and quality of applications of the Scheme. It would also mean that the Scheme's accountability processes would be followed.

In conclusion the demand on the Community Development Scheme exceeds what is available. Subsequently the Community Development Funding Committee has requested that the Board consider the shortfall.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Community Board allocate \$8,500 from its 2004/2005 Discretionary fund to the Community Development Scheme for the 2004/2005 round.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be supported.