

**3. 2004/05 COMMUNITY WORKERS SUPPORT FUND – BRYNDWR CHURCHES COMMUNITY SUPPORT SOCIETY ACCOUNTABILITY AND OUTCOMES REPORT**

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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to provide a summary on outcomes achieved through the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's 2004/05 Community Workers' Support funding provided to the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society.

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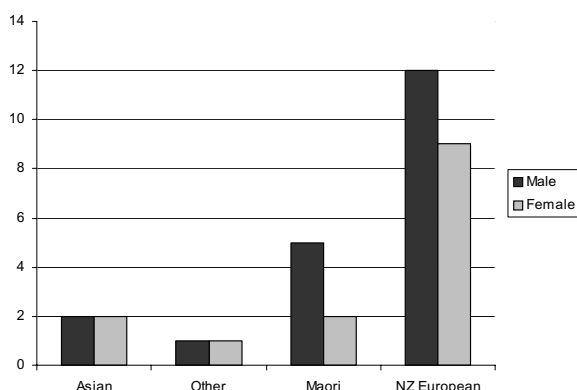
2. Amount received: \$20,000  
Project duration: July 2004 – June 2005  
Project description: Employment of a Youth Worker

**AGREED OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES:**

**(a) Effectively target and engage young people who are not currently known to other services or supervisory agencies:**

3. Currently 34 young people aged between 10-13 years are engaged in the programme. The referrals to the programme come from Breens and Cobham Intermediates. Thirty of these young people were not known to any other support agencies.

4. **Breakdown of mentee gender and ethnicity**



**(b) Recruitment and training of volunteer mentors, participants and family liaisons, including schools:**

5. 35 mentors have been recruited, trained and supervised in their mentoring relationships. There are currently 30 active mentors working with young people.
6. Two schools have adopted the programme, Breens and Cobham Intermediates. The Coordinator, Matthew Button, has developed good working relationships with both schools.
7. Thirty four families consented to their child's involvement in the programme. Families are contacted twice a term to attain feedback on their child's participation in the programme.
8. Praxis Youth Work students mentor as part of their course training and assessment.

**(c) Participation in networking and advocacy opportunities to promote the well-being of young people:**

9. Matthew Button attends the monthly Fendalton/Waimairi Youth Liaison Group which provides him with the opportunity to network with other youth agencies and workers in the area. Through these meetings Matthew has become involved in assisting with the development of the Youth Strategy for Fendalton/Waimairi. He has also established good

links with groups running parenting classes in the area and he provides referrals and advertising for these.

10. Matthew also participates in the bi-monthly Canterbury Mentoring Coordinator's meetings.
11. The Coordinator's advocacy role extends to advocating the benefits of mentoring to the schools involved; advocating for the children participating in the programme; and advocating for migrant young people, especially Asian, who are struggling to integrate into the Kiwi culture.

#### **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

12. The Coordinator is currently employed for 20 hours per week. Each mentoring relationship requires around 8 hours to start up and then approximately 2 hours a month to maintain, this includes supervision of the mentor as well as checking in with parents, teachers and the mentee. The Coordinator is fully stretched at the moment to maintain the current mentoring relationships.