

#### 4. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION

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##### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Community Board approval for an application for funding from its 2005/06 Youth Development Fund.

##### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by Brooke Beattie, a 21 year old girl who lives in the Halswell area, towards costs associated with representing New Zealand as the Coach at the Junior World Aerobics Championships in Russia Moscow from 14 to 17 November 2005.

##### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following outlines budgetary requirements for 2005:

<b>Activity/Competition</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Air fare (incl taxes)	November 2005	\$2,180.00
Accommodation	November 2005	\$1,231.00
Food	November 2005	\$ 140.00
Uniforms	November 2005	\$ 120.00
<b>Total Cost</b>		<b>\$3,671.00</b>

4. Brooke has received \$700 of funding support from doing local fundraisers which have included sausage sizzles, movie nights, concerts and selling fudge. The team are currently waiting to hear back from Lottery re a grant application.

##### BACKGROUND ON THE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUEST

5. Brooke is a former New Zealand Aerobics Champion and has competed in the World Championships in Morocco, and France (Montpellier) and was placed 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in consecutive years. Brooke has been coaching juniors aged 13-17 years for the last five years. This year Brooke has focused on coaching a junior team. The team were selected to represent New Zealand at the World Championship. Brooke is a voluntary coach who has been required to fundraise for all her own expenses.
6. Brooke is a developing young coach who has a passion for working with youth. Brooke's ultimate goal is to attend the Olympics in 2008 as the New Zealand Aerobics Coach.
7. These are the 9<sup>th</sup> Junior World Championships and are being hosted by the Fitness International Sports Aerobics Federation. To date all European countries and Australia have confirmed that they will be sending teams.
8. This is the first time Brooke has applied to this fund. Brooke only became aware of the Youth Development Scheme last week and quickly got her application in to the Council. Brooke is aware of the short timeframe she has given the Community Board to consider her application.

##### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board agree to allocate \$300 from its 2005/06 Youth Development Fund to assist with costs associated with the applicant travelling to Russia to represent New Zealand Aerobics at the Junior World Championships in Russia from 14 to 17 November 2005.

##### CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.