

4. **JOINT YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING AND ST MATTHEW'S BURNSIDE - FUNDING APPLICATION TO THE FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD'S 2006-07 SCAP FUND**

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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for an application for funding from the Joint Youth Council of the Parishes of Christ the King and St Matthew's Church for \$4,950 from the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's 2006/07 SCAP funds.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The Youth Council are requesting financial support from the Board to assist them with travel costs to the Ignite Conference in Brisbane from 28 September to 1 October 2006.
3. There are 10 young youth leaders attending the conference who make up the Core Team of the Youth Council. These young people are Canterbury University students between the ages of 17-23 years old. They are all actively involved in delivering services to young people in the Burnside area.
4. The youth support coordinated by the Core Team includes:
  - weekly morning breakfast meetings for youth aged 15-18 years
  - monthly outings for youth aged 12-15 years
  - Friday night discussion groups where they explore themes such as bullying, self image, and peer pressure
5. The team also has regular contact with the children of their affiliated schools (Christ the King and St Patrick's Primary) and aim to encourage them to participate in the above youth programmes.
6. The Ignite Conference is a significant event which will allow them to network with other youth leaders from all over Australia and New Zealand. The conference will develop the leaders by advancing their knowledge, exploring their leadership styles, and learning how work with young people more effectively.

**FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

7. The 10 individuals applying for financial support all meet the criteria of the Youth Development Scheme, however as this is a limited fund, it seemed more appropriate for the group to apply for funding from the SCAP fund. The application also complements the criteria for the Community Development Scheme but unfortunately the timeframe does not fit.
8. The total cost per person is broken down as follows:

Airfares (Chch-Brisbane)	\$787
Conference Registration	\$140
Food, transport, incidentals	\$250
Departure Tax	\$25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,202</b>

9. The group has undertaken some fundraising and has raised approximately \$1,000 to date. They have also submitted an application to the Tindall Foundation to cover the conference registration fees.
10. They are seeking a contribution of \$4,950 towards their airfare costs. Each individual attending the conference will be meeting the remaining costs themselves.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee:

Approve the application for funding from the Joint Youth Council of the Parish of Christ the King and St Matthew's Parish of Burnside and allocate \$3,000 (\$300 per person) from its 2006/07 SCAP fund.

## **OPTIONS**

11. In relation to this application the Community Board could choose to:
  - a) grant \$3,000 to the organisation as per the staff recommendation
  - b) grant the full amount requested
  - c) decline the application