

**9. APPLICATION TO SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT SCHEME**

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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 the 2007/08 Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement Scheme.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. Funding is being sought by the applicant, a 15 year old boy who lives in the Sydenham area towards costs associated with participating in the Cashmere High School Cultural and Spanish Language Exchange to Santiago, Chile.
3. This is the first time the applicant has approached the Community Board for funding support.

**BACKGROUND ON ATAIF KHAN-EDMUNDSON**

4. Ataif Khan-Edmundson is a 15 year old student from Cashmere High School who has been selected to participate in the Cashmere High School Cultural and Spanish Language Exchange to Santiago, Chile in September 2007.
5. Ataif has attended Cashmere High School for three years and has studied Spanish since starting at the school. Ataif's Spanish teacher comments that he is a keen, capable, hard-working student who is polite, reliable and deserving of all the support offered to him.
6. Ataif is a high achiever at school who gives his best with all his endeavours. Through determined effort he compressed year 10 and 11 mathematics and science into one year. He is also a talented trumpet player who is a reliable member of the Cashmere High School Stage Band and Orchestra.
7. Ataif's other interests include rock-climbing where he is currently ranked second in the Under 18 Men's National Sport-Climbing Competition. Last year he placed first in the Under 16 Men's Oceania speed-climbing competition. His ultimate goal is to represent New Zealand at the World Sport Climbing Championships in Australia next year.
8. Ataif is looking forward to the trip away and the opportunity to put his Spanish into practice and to experience a new culture. As part of the Cultural exchange Ataif will spend two and a half weeks in Chilean home stays with families from Cashmere High School's host sister school Saint Mary Joseph in Santiago. Some of the trip will be spent touring areas of special interest in Chile, while other days will be spent in the school environment.
9. To date Ataif has raised \$150 towards the cost of his trip. Further fundraising activities have been planned including sausage sizzles, a Lazer Strike event, raffles and a Ten Pin Bowling night.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. The following table details trip expenses and funding requested by the applicant

<b>EXPENSES FOR ATAIF KHAN-EDMUNDSON</b>	<b>Cost (\$)</b>
Airfares	3275
Accommodation	330
School Exchange Programme	285
Insurance	85
Miscellaneous (emergency fund etc)	175
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$4150</b>
Amount raised by applicant to date	150
Amount Requested from Community Board	<b>\$500</b>

### Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

11. Yes, Democracy and Governance section page 113, 115.

## LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

12. There are no legal issues to be considered.

### Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

13. No.

## ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. Yes, Democracy and Governance section, page 113, 115, community Board objectives 5 and 9.

### Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

15. Yes, as mentioned above.

## ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.

### Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

17. Yes.

## CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

18. Not applicable.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board allocate \$300 from the 2007/08 Youth Achievement Scheme to Ataif Khan-Edmundson to participate in the Cashmere High School Cultural and Spanish Language Exchange to South America.

## CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.