

16. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JAMES LEVINGS AND JORDAN DUGGAN

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for two applications for funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme. There is currently \$350 remaining in the Youth Development Scheme Fund, with a report for an additional \$5,000 from the Discretionary Response Fund, being put forward.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicants are:
 1. James Levings, a 15 year old St Bedes College student living in Avonhead.
 2. Jordan Duggan, a 15 year old St Bedes College student living in Bishopdale.
3. James and Jordan have been selected for the South Island U17 Basketball Team to compete at the Pacific Slam Tournament in Port Macquarie in January 2010. In addition to competing in this tournament the applicants will have the opportunity to play in the Sydney Cup against Sydney Metro representative teams. The dates for the trip are 10 – 21 January, 2010.
4. James has been playing representative basketball for Canterbury for six consecutive years and has played in two national tournaments and numerous regional tournaments. James also plays touch rugby, volleyball and cricket for St Bedes.
5. Jordan is currently a member of the Canterbury U16 Basketball Team and earlier this year was selected for the New Zealand U16 Basketball Team which competed in Australia. Jordan is a talented rugby player making age group representative teams since primary school, however this year he has had to give up rugby to focus on basketball. He has also excelled in volleyball making the school Senior A Team for the past two years.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The total cost per person to attend the tournament is **\$3,200** which includes air fares, accommodation, uniforms and tournament entrance fee.
7. Both applicants and their families have been actively fundraising organising quiz nights, a "shot-athon" and Jordan has raffled off projects he made during school woodwork classes.
8. This is the first time the applicants have applied to the Board for financial support.

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

9. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme subject to the establishment of this scheme as part of the Board's 2009/10 Board Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Aligns with page 170 LTCCP, regarding Community Board Project funding.

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

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the application and allocate \$450 each to James Levings and Jordan Duggan towards to costs of competing in the Pacific Slam Basketball Tournament, subject to the approval of the additional \$5,000 for the Youth Development Scheme fund.