

9. REQUEST FOR FUNDING - CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN SAMOA (SHIRLEY YOUTH GROUP)

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a funding application to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to be considered under the 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund for the Congregational Christian Church in Samoa.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Congregational Christian Church in Samoa traces its beginnings to the arrival in 1830 of missionaries sent by the London Missionary Society, accompanied by missionary teachers from Tahiti and the Cook Islands and a Samoan couple from Tonga. Since the second half of the 20th century, the Samoan church has continued to forge ecumenical relationships with other churches locally, regionally and internationally. Now it has become a transnational church with eight districts (synod or diocese) outside Samoa: one in the USA, one in Hawaii, three in Australia and three in New Zealand. It has one congregation each in Fiji and American Samoa.
3. The Congregational Christian Church in Samoa (Shirley Parish) was established in March 2009 at Emmett Street Christian Centre. The Youth Group meet every second Sunday. This gives the youth the opportunity to come together and have some recreational and cultural opportunities. The Youth Group has 60 members and ages range from 10 years to 30 years.
4. The Congregational Christian Church in Samoa (Shirley Youth Group) wants to run two sports and cultural days for the youth. The days will consist of sports during the day and in the evening a prize giving and Fiafia night will be held. The Parish hope to get as many of the youth involved in the organisation and running of the day.
- 5.. The Congregational Christian Church in Samoa is requesting \$2,000 from the Discretionary Response Fund to assist with the costs of running sports and cultural days twice a year for their Shirley Youth Group. They are a new group with a new project. The Youth group was not established before small grants closed therefore the group is eligible to apply to the Discretionary Response Fund.

Congregational Christian Church in Samoa (Shirley Youth Group)
Sports and Cultural Days

INCOME	
<i>Funds on hand</i>	100
<i>Registration</i>	100
Sponsorship	200
Fundraising	200
Total	600
 COSTS	
<i>Team Uniforms</i>	600
<i>PA System</i>	750
<i>Lunch BBQ</i>	300
<i>Dinner</i>	350
<i>Band</i>	200
<i>Trophies and Awards</i>	400
Total Costs	\$2,600
<i>Balance</i>	\$2,000

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board currently has \$29,795 in their Discretionary Response Fund available to allocate.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

7. Yes, see page 172, Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. Not applicable.

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

9. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Page 176 of the LTCCP, level of service under Community Board funding Strong Communities.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

11. Recommendation is in line with Community Board discretionary budget and meets level of support within strong communities.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

12. Community and Strengthening Communities Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approve a grant of \$1,150 from the 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to assist the Congregational Christian Church in Samoa (Shirley Youth Group) in running two sports and cultural days to be held in November 2009 and April 2010.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve a grant of \$1,000 for uniforms, trophies and awards only.