

#### 4. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – KATRINA SHERWOOD

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| <b>General Manager responsible:</b> | General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8607 |
| <b>Officer responsible:</b>         | Unit Manager, Recreation and Sports               |
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##### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

##### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant is Katrina Sherwood, a 17 year old Burnside High School student living in Avonhead. Katrina has been selected to represent the Canterbury Philippine Culture and Sports Club in volleyball at the Annual Filipino Reunion in Wellington 23 – 26 October 2009.
3. The Filipino Reunion is held annually and brings together Filipino communities from throughout New Zealand to compete in a wide variety of sports and cultural activities. The event attracts up to 7,000 people. To meet the criteria for this event participants must be either Filipino, of Filipino descent or have a Filipino partner.
4. The Philippine Culture and Sports Club co-ordinate a local basketball and volleyball sports programme that involves weekly training sessions and competitive and social games. Their programme also involves other sports such as tennis, table tennis and badminton and is run by volunteers from the Club. This programme not only encourages new migrants to be active and socialise, but is developing links with Canterbury sporting bodies for some of their players.
5. The Philippine Culture and Sports Club is a long standing member of the Federation of Filipino Associations, Societies and Clubs in New Zealand and players from their local competition have been selected to represent Christchurch at the Wellington tournament. The tournament is an opportunity for players to further develop their skills in a more competitive environment that will improve the quality of their own competitions in Christchurch.
6. The work of the Philippine Culture and Sports Club continues to grow in Christchurch and in September 2009, the annual 'Global Basketball' competition was held at Cowles and Pioneer Stadiums. Teams from various ethnic groups were invited to compete in a formal competition over a two-day period. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society came up with the initial concept for this competition three years ago, which is now being supported by the Christchurch City Council Recreation and Sports Unit and co-ordinated in conjunction with Canterbury Basketball Association 'Junior Advisory Group'.
7. All participants have been meeting weekly over past months to train intensively in their chosen sport, develop leadership skills and increase cultural awareness to enable them to excel as representatives of the Canterbury Philippine Culture and Sports Club. All members are actively involved in raising the funds required to attend the event. This includes a social night, a singing contest, a garage sale, selling of food and raffle tickets.

##### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs per person for this trip.

| EXPENSES                     | Cost (\$)  |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Return airfares              | 100        |
| Domestic Transport           | 50         |
| Registration fee             | 20         |
| Accommodation                | 84         |
| <b>Total Cost per person</b> | <b>254</b> |

9. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

10. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Funding.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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

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

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

12. Aligns with page 184 of the LTCCP (Volume 1), regarding Community Grants funding.

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

13. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

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

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

15. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

16. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Board approve the application and allocate \$75 from its 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme to Katrina Sherwood to compete in the Filipino Reunion.