

13. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD'S 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – EMILY SHIELDS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Community Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, is Emily Shields, who is a 17 year old, living in Upper Riccarton. Emily is a student at Burnside High School and is seeking funding support to go to the "Big Sing" Final with her choir from Burnside High School on 8 August 2010.
3. Emily is part of a new SATB (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Base) choir for Burnside High School called Cantabile. This choir has already received high praise from many people around the community about their mature developing sound. They are one of the four choirs from Christchurch to make the final. The choir flies up to Auckland on 8 August 2010 to meet with the 2009 Platinum winners "Choralation", and to perform a concert with them. The competition begins on 9 August and each of the eighteen finalist choirs perform two brackets of songs over three intensive days. The final concert is the evening of 11 August, where bronze, silver, gold and platinum awards are handed out.
4. Leading up to the finals the choir will be touring around Christchurch performing to primary schools in order to build up their performance experience. Last year Emily went to Dunedin for the "Big Sing" final with Magna Voice, who received a silver award
5. Emily is in her last year at school and is considering career options related to the performing arts. She currently has a very busy schedule focused much on the performing arts. She is interested in the media and excels in media studies at school. Last year she received excellence for her short film which involved working with children.
6. Emily is currently undertaking another fund raising activity for this trip through Burnside High School. This involves selling tickets to Burnside High's annual show case held throughout term three. Emily is eligible to raise \$270. To date she has raised \$65. The concerts showcase Burnside High School's finest musical talent and Emily will be involved in all three concerts. Emily believes that the success of the choir in Auckland will be one of the highlights of her last year at Burnside High School. Emily also wants to put as much effort into the finals as possible as a way of saying thank you to her music teachers who have given her so many opportunities throughout High School

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested:

EMILY SHIELDS	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	299
Accommodation /Bus Transfer to and from Auckland Airport Accommodation (4 nights, share twin accommodation, budget)/meals	300
TOTAL	599
Amount Requested from the Community Board	599

8. This is the first time Emily has applied to the Community Board's Youth Development fund.
9. The New Zealand Choral Federation (NZCF) requires that everyone who has competed in the regional competition must also compete at the finals. Therefore if Emily does not raise enough funds for her trip to the finals the Cantabile choir cannot compete in the "Big Sing" final.
10. There is currently \$5,950 remaining in the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme fund.

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

11. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

12. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

13. 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 2009-19 LTCCP?

14. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

16. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

17. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board grant Emily Shields \$450 as a contribution towards her trip to the New Zealand Choral Federations 'Big Sing' in Auckland 2010.