

9. HORNBY SALVATION ARMY COMMUNITY WORKER PILOT SCHEME

General Manager responsible:	Community Support Unit General Manager, DDI 941-8859
Officer responsible:	Acting Unit Manager, Community Support
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board for a grant from the Riccarton/Wigram 2009/10 Discretionary Fund, towards the salary of a Community Worker Pilot Scheme.
2. The salaried worker's role will focus on the needs of men and young people in the Hornby area and the worker will be employed by the Hornby Salvation Army.
3. At the time of writing this report there is a balance of \$5,408 in the Riccarton/Wigram Discretionary Response Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

4. The Hornby Salvation Army is based at Manuere Street in Hornby. It is a key local organisation that provides advocacy, budget advice, family mentoring, food bank and welfare assistance in emergency situations. This organisation is currently seeing an increasing number of men and youths presenting at the Centre with many and varied complex issues. These issues are not being met by any other agency in the community.
5. The Hornby Salvation Army wants to establish a new project, which would address the needs of these men and young people, through the establishment of a part-time community worker position. The Manager is very keen to get this project up and running as soon as possible, given the demands and needs of this particular client group.
6. The role of the Community Worker will be to work in the community with families and young people. The Community Worker will follow up clients who present at the food bank with complex needs and issues. Additionally they will work with young people who present at the Centre with issues around accommodation, finances, relationships, alcohol and drugs. The Community Worker will also assist the Manager by helping with day to day running of the Centre, working with men around anger management issues and facilitating groups around various issues, for example; Bringing up boys; Keeping your kids safe around drugs.
7. The Community Development worker for Broomfield/Hei Hei employed by Family and Community Division of Anglican Care, runs a men's group, however, this is for men that are socially isolated and need to get together with other men for companionship and support. The two roles and programmes would therefore complement each other rather than duplicate.
8. The Hornby Salvation Army Community Worker pilot will commence as soon as sufficient funds are raised. It is anticipated that this pilot programme will run for six months before being evaluated for its effectiveness. If the project is successful it is more likely to attract ongoing support from the Salvation Army in its annual budget allocation of funds.
9. The Hornby Salvation Army has applied to Hornby Rotary for support for this programme, however at this point in time they have not heard back regarding their application for funding assistance for this project. The Hornby Salvation Army is also applying to the Crisis Response Fund in January 2010.
10. Ideally the Community Worker will be employed for 20 hours per week. However, these hours could be reduced, if the full amount of \$8,400 is not accessed through the various funding organisations mentioned.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

11. The following outlines budgetary requirements for 2009/10

Item	Cost \$	Amount Requested \$
Salary of community worker (20 hours per week),for six months	8,400	5,000
Overheads	2,520	0
Supervision	240	0
TOTAL	\$11,160	\$5,000

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

12. Yes see page 172, regarding the Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

13. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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

14. Yes see page 172, regarding the Discretionary Response Fund.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

15. Yes, Strengthening Communities Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

16. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board make a grant of \$5,000 from the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund, to the Hornby Salvation Army as a contribution towards the salary of the Community Worker Pilot Scheme.