# 7. APPLICATION TO THE FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – EMILY-JESSICA PURCELL AND ELORA WALMISLEY

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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 2010/2011 Youth Development Scheme.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicants are:
  - 1. Emily-Jessica Purcell, a 15 year old Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti student living in Bishopdale.
  - 2. Elora Walmisley, a 13 year old Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti student living in Bishopdale
- 3. Emily and Elora are part of a group of 12 Unlimited students working to send a container of school equipment to a primary school in Savaii, Samoa. The school is in the coastal village of Iva which is rebuilding due to coastal erosion and rising sea levels. The students, along with adult supervisors, will spend eight days in the village unloading the container, setting up the classrooms and spending time with the students and wider community.
- 4. This application meets the criteria for the Fendalton/Waimari Youth Development Scheme under Personal Development and Growth extra curricular educational opportunities.
- 5. Project Iva was launched in July 2009 after the students heard of the plight of Iva school. The aim of the project was to raise funds to send a container of quality school equipment to the school. The students have met their fundraising target of \$17,000 which covers shipping costs and have filled the container with chairs, desks, filing cabinets and books, all sourced through donations and fundraising.
- 6. Fundraising activities for this project has included busking, commission sales, stalls at community events, house cleaning, delivering pamphlets and running birthday fundraising events where guests gave a donation rather than presents. In addition to this the students ran a series Samoan culture workshops at various high schools in exchange for a donation.

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7. The students have raised sufficient funds to cover shipping costs and are now seeking financial assistance towards their own airfares, travel insurance, transfers, accommodation and food. The total cost per person is \$880.
- 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?

 This application is seeking funding from the Community Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2010/11 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 2009-19 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 Community Services Committee recommend that the Community Board make a grant of \$250 each to Emily-Jessica Purcell and Elora Walmisley to travel to Samoa as part of Project Iva.