11. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – PHILIPPINE CULTURE AND SPORTS VOLLEYBALL TEAMS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

 The purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's consideration to an application for funding from the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society have ten athletes that reside in the Riccarton/Wigram ward who are travelling to Auckland to compete in the National Labour Weekend Filipino Volleyball tournament. This tournament is being held from 22 25 October 2010.
- 3. Representatives from Riccarton/Wigram ward:
 - Janice Suarez McMath aged 24 years
 - Kim Lea Butler aged 14 years
 - Samantha Theresa Richings aged 21 years
 - David Charles Stewart aged 19 years
 - Carla Butler aged 12 years
 - Hebron Canlas aged 22 years
 - Andrei Joseph aged 16 years
 - Jem Lopez aged 18 years
 - Jezrael Lopez aged 14 years
 - Jehielle Lopez aged 13 years
- 4. The Philippine Culture and Sports co-ordinate a local basketball and volleyball sports programme that involves weekly training sessions and competitive and social games. The programme also incorporates other sports such as tennis, table tennis and badminton and is predominantly run by volunteers from the society. 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 Society is a long standing member of the Federation of Filipino Associations, Societies and Clubs in NZ and players from their local competition have been selected to represent Christchurch at the Auckland tournament. The tournament is an opportunity for players to further develop their skills in a more competitive environment. These skills will improve the quality of their play in various competitions they are involved in, whether it be school based or for Canterbury.
- 6. At the tournament in 2009, the women's volleyball team was placed second and the boys' basketball team placed third. This year they are taking nine teams in total to the tournament who are competing in volleyball, basketball, badminton and tennis.
- 7. The work of the Philippine Culture and Sports continues to grow in Christchurch and in September 2009, the annual 'Global Basketball' competition was held at Cowles and Pioneer Stadiums. The tournament is due to be staged again in September 2010. Teams from various ethnic groups have been 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 four 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'.
- 8. The team has currently fundraised \$2,200 through ticket sales from a cultural dance event they organised, selling chocolates, donations and will continue to fundraise until they go away.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Return airfares	\$ 160
Domestic transport	\$ 100
Food	\$ 50
Uniforms	\$ 200
Registration fee	\$ 30
Accommodation	\$ 100
Total cost per person	\$ 640
Total Costs for 10 Riccarton/Wigram players	\$ 6,400
Total Requested from Community Board	\$ 1,000

10. This group received \$550 in 2008/09 and \$900 in 2009/10 from the Riccarton/Wigram Youth Development Scheme for the same tournaments. All accountability was received following the tournaments.

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

11. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

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 184 in the 2009 LTCCP.

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

14. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

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 Committee approve the application and allocate \$100 from the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme as a contribution to each team member from the Philippine Culture and Sports Volleyball Teams that are competing in the National Labour Weekend Filipino Volleyball tournament in Auckland totalling \$1,000.