

8. APPLICATION TO THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND – CHARLOTTE GRACE SEARLE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a Youth Development Fund application for funding in the 2009/10 financial year to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant is Charlotte Grace Searle – a 15 year old seeking funds to assist with the costs associated with attending the New Zealand School of Dance Winter School in July 2010.
3. **Background on Charlotte Grace Searle** – Charlotte Searle lives in Chapter Street and is a Year 11 student at Marian College. Charlotte has a twin sister.
4. The Winter School of Dance (5–9 July) is a five-day course offering intensive tuition in a range of dance styles for young students. The school is held in Wellington and includes the opportunity for students to learn from some of the best national and international teachers available.
5. Charlotte has studied ballet for 8 years and currently dances with Christine MacDonald based at Canterbury Ballet. Charlotte's ambition is to become a fulltime ballerina and sees this course as essential to achieving this goal. Charlotte's teachers referred to Charlotte as being "a very talented conscientious and dedicated student who strives for excellence" and sees this opportunity as a stepping stone for her fulltime admission to the school in a couple of years. Charlotte trains approximately 14 hours each week. She also helps out each Saturday with the Preschool classes.
6. This is Charlotte's first application to the Community Board. Charlotte's family is very supportive, however, with two talented youth any financial support from the Community Board would be greatly appreciated.

Charlotte Searle	
Expenses	Costs (\$)
Airfares	\$ 126
Course Registration	\$ 400
Accommodation	\$ 350
Total Cost	\$ 876
Fundraising	\$ 180

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board has available \$410 from its Youth Development Fund for allocation.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. This fund aligns with the 2009-19 LTCCP.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. This fund aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board allocates \$250 to Charlotte Grace Searle to assist with the costs associated with attending the New Zealand School of Dance Winter School in Wellington in July 2010.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.