

10. **SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE 2011/12 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – JO MURGATROYD, SAMUEL THOMAS AND ZABIHULLAH LALI**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Board three applications for funding assistance from the Spreydon/ Heathcote 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by the following applications:
 - a) Jo Murgatroyd, 18 year old from Hillmorton to attend the New York Jazz Academy from 1 December 2012 to 4 January 2013.
 - b) Samuel Thomas, 17 year old from Cashmere to compete in the 420 (two person dinghy sail boat) Open World Championships in Austria from 27 July to 5 August 2012.
 - c) Zabihullah Lali, 17 year old from Beckenham to compete in the New Zealand Football National Futsal Championship in Wellington from 8 to 9 July 2012.
3. The following tables detail event expenses and funding requested by each applicant.
 - a) Jo Murgatroyd

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	\$ 2,799
Passport Renewal	\$ 153
Travel Insurance	\$ 274
Accommodation	\$ 800
Visa	\$ 28
Departure Tax	\$ 25
Administration Fee	\$ 100
Total cost	\$ 4,119
Total raised	\$ 100
Total Requested	\$ 500

- b) Samuel Thomas

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	\$ 3,436
Entry Fee	\$ 246
Charter Boat	\$ 1,229
Insurance	\$ 282
Accommodation	\$ 1,800
Food	\$ 900
Transport	\$ 300
Coach/ Bus	\$ 1,090
Total cost	\$ 9,283
Total raised	\$ 3,000
Total Requested	\$ 500

c) Zabihullah Lali

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares, Accommodation, Meals, Non-playing Uniform, Entry fee, Coaches.	\$540
Total cost	\$ 540
Total raised	\$ 0
Total Requested	\$ 500

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The applicants have never received funding from the Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme.
5. There is currently a balance of \$4,500 available in the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

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

6. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

8. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. Yes.

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

10. Yes, Community Grants (pg 178), Strengthening Communities (pg 174), and Recreation and Sports Services (pg.110).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Application aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.
12. Application also aligns with the following Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board Objectives: 'Increased participation of Spreydon/Heathcote residents in local and city-wide recreation events / programmes.'

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board allocate Jo Murgatroyd \$500 from the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to attend the New York Jazz Academy from 1 December-4 January 2013.

It is recommended that the Board allocate Samuel Thomas \$500 from the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to compete in the 420 (two person dinghy sail boat) Open World Championships in Austria from 27 July to 5 August 2012.

It is recommended that the Board allocate Zabihullah Lali \$250 from the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to compete in the New Zealand Football National Futsal Championship in Wellington from 8 to 9 July 2012.

CHAIRPERSONS RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND

Jo Murgatroyd

14. Jo attends Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology (CPIT) Jazz School with about 50 other students. Prospective students have to apply to attend the Jazz school by submitting an application, curriculum vitae and taking a theory test and a practical audition. Jo won a Music Scholarship from Westonian Society to assist with her studies. She came top in her class for the last two years in high school Music and also passed Level four Jazz Improvisation Certificate in her last year at school. (The last year at school is typically Level three).
15. Jo and some of her Jazz School classmates have elected to go on the trip to experience expert tuition and immerse themselves in the famous New York jazz scene. Although this is an elective trip, Jo has proven that she is dedicated to her art and she can achieve at a high level. She aims to use this trip to apply what she has learnt at Jazz School and to receive tuition with some of the top jazz musicians in New York. The group also plan to visit iconic and historical jazz places such as 'Tin Pan Alley' and go to live performances.
16. Jo has been involved in music since she was 12 years old and has been participating regularly in musicals and singing showcases. Jo took singing classes twice per week and dance/drama class once per week for nearly five years before switching to private vocal tuition. Her performance highlights over the last three years are many and varied. She has performed solo (vocal and piano), in concerts and in chorus for productions.
17. Jo is fundraising by writing songs for donations, busking and working weekends. She has also applied to the Freeman X Foundation for funding assistance.

Samuel Thomas

18. Samuel attends Christ's College and has been sailing for about 10 years. Three years ago he was selected for the Canterbury Yachting Association 420 Youth Development programme. The programme includes an average of 12 hours training per week during the sailing season and competing at major national regattas. He also belongs to the Huxter Mountain Bike club where he has been involved in track building.
19. Samuel is head of the Sailing Club at Christ's College and has volunteered as a coach for Learn to Sail groups. His sailing crew came second in the 420 Nationals earlier this year and as a result they qualified for the 420 Open World Championships. The 420 is a two person dinghy sail boat which is the youth version of the 470, an Olympic class boat. Because Samuel's crew qualified second in New Zealand they will not receive funding from Yachting New Zealand to participate in the Worlds.
20. Samuel is fundraising by being involved in a Quiz night, Auction dinner and working part-time in a labouring job.

Zabihullah Lali

21. Zabihullah attends Cashmere High School and plays for the school Futsal team that recently won the New Zealand Secondary Schools Futsal Championship. He also plays football for the school's First XI and in the men's team for the Ferrymead Bays (Premier Development League) team. He has been playing football since he was a child living in Afghanistan.
22. Zabihullah has just been selected for the Canterbury U19 Futsal team to compete in the National Futsal Championship in Wellington. The team is coordinated by Mainland Futsal who have put together an itinerary for the competition for one fee that covers all costs. Futsal is played on a smaller pitch, often indoors and is the official Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) version of indoor 5-a-side soccer. It is a fast and creative game that requires good ball skills and is often used to improve a football players 11-a-side game.
22. Zabihullah has been working part-time to pay for his school fees and help with other family expenses. He does not have other funding to put towards this trip. He would like to attend this trip to help improve his game at top level futsal and show his ability to selectors.