

12. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – GRACE ELAINA KING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board's 2011/12 Positive Youth Development Scheme.
2. There is currently \$4,599 in the 2011/12 Positive Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. The purpose of the Youth Development Scheme is to celebrate and support young people living in the Shirley/Papanui ward by providing financial assistance for their development. The Board also seeks to acknowledge young people's effort, achievement and potential excellence in the community.
4. The Positive Youth Development Scheme will consider applications for the following activities:
 - Personal Development and Growth - For example leadership training, career development, Outward Bound, Spirit of Adventure, extra curricular educational opportunities.
 - Representation at Events - Applicants can apply for assistance if you have been selected to represent your school, team or community at a local, national or international event or competition. This includes sporting, cultural and community events.
5. The following eligibility criteria must be met:
 - Age groups 12-21 years.
 - Projects must have obvious benefits for the young person and if possible the wider community.
 - Only one application per person permitted per year.
 - Applicants should be undertaking other fundraising activities and not relying solely on Community Board support.
6. The applicant Grace Elaina King is an 18 year old, year 13 student, who lives in Slater Street, Shirley. Grace currently attends Avonside Girls High School. Grace is seeking funding support to attend a two week Rotary cultural exchange in Osaka, Japan from 10 May to 26 May 2012.
7. Grace is the elected the head of the Schools International Council and she has recently been awarded the Queens Scout Award, the highest achievement a Venturer can receive. Grace is a highly motivated, articulate young woman with strong leadership skills and potential. She has studied Japanese for four years and is seeking a career in communications and media. She has a particular interest in cross cultural communication and diversity.
8. Grace has spent time fundraising, however that fundraising has been specifically for the Japan Earthquake Fund and monies raised do not go towards her trip. She is fundraising herself by participating in a car boot sale on 28 April and anticipated that she will raise between \$70 - \$100. She also has a part-time job at Windsor Rest Home.
9. Grace's parents are supportive however any assistance from the Shirley/Papanui Board would be greatly appreciated.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfare (part subsidised by Rotary)	\$475
Travel Insurance	75
Gifts host family	50
Fundraising	150
Amount still owing	\$425

11. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board currently has a balance of \$4,599 remaining in the Positive Youth Development Scheme for allocation.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

12. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

14. This fund aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board make a grant of \$200 from its 2011/12 Positive Youth Development Fund to assist Grace Elaina King to attend the Rotary Exchange trip to Osaka Japan from 10 May 2012 to 24 May 2012.