

10. APPLICATION TO THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD'S POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – MACKENZIE TAYLOR SOPER

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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 2012/13 Positive Youth Development Scheme.
2. There is currently \$6,650 in the 2012/13 Positive Youth Development Fund.

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 Community 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 Mackenzie Taylor Soper is a 17 year old, who lives in Country Club Terrace Northwood. Mackenzie is a Year 12 student and currently attends St Andrews College. Mackenzie is seeking funding support to attend the Sister City Global Leadership Programme European Tour from 6 January to 26 January 2013.
7. The Global Leadership Programme has been initiated by the Christchurch England Sister City Committee and is founded on the strong relationship the city has developed with Christchurch (Dorset) in the UK. The Programme is based on the Key concepts of the new Education Curriculum with managing self being the main focus. Key development areas include: Leadership, Communication Skills, Global Knowledge and Cultural Awareness.
8. Mackenzie's Tour Group consists of 28 students and two support staff and is a Sister City interschool initiative comprising pupils from various Christchurch High schools such as Papanui, Hornby, St Andrews, Mairehau, and Linwood who will represent Christchurch. To be selected students had to write an article on how they would benefit from this exchange visit and how it would help them develop as community and academic leaders. The group will travel to England, and be based at Twynham School in Christchurch Dorset before visiting France and Germany.
9. At school Mackenzie is currently involved in Chorale/Choir, music and theatre production. Mackenzie is also self taught on the guitar and piano, enjoys painting and drawing, film making and Media studies.

10. Mackenzie is a member of Arise Church and is active in their Elevate Youth group. In the future Mackenzie would like to study to be a worship leader.
11. The total cost for Mackenzie to attend the Sister City Global Leadership Programme European Tour is \$6,800. Mackenzie has been busy working to gain the finances to attend the tour. Currently Mackenzie has been busy raising funds through themed mufti days at school, Quiz nights, car washes, busking, and will be organising a School Disco for St Andrews College Prep Schoolers.
12. The applicant's family is very supportive, but have limited financial resources to cover the costs of attending this event. Any financial assistance from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board would be greatly appreciated. This is Mackenzie's first application to the Community Board.
13. Applications have been made to other wards. Recommendations for funding other applicants are Fendalton/Waimairi \$300, Riccarton/Wigram \$500 and Burwood/Pegasus \$400.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Travel Fee costs / Air Fare and Insurance	\$3,000.00
Coach hire/Coach Drivers/and Accommodation costs	\$2,000.00
Entrance Fees / Food / and Activity costs	\$1,800.00
TOTAL COSTS	\$6,800.00
Fundraising	\$1,000.00
Amount still owing	\$5,800.00

15. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board currently has a balance of \$6,650 in the 2012/13 Positive Youth Development Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

16. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

18. This fund aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

19. It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board make a grant of \$300 from its 2012/13 Positive Youth Development Fund to assist Mackenzie Taylor Soper to attend the Sister City Global Leadership Programme European Tour from 6 to 26 January 2013.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.