18. COMMUNITY BOARD FUNDED ACTIVITIES 2000/2001 CITY PLAN

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Corporate Plan Output:	

The purpose of this report is to provide more detailed information on the activities for which the Community Board's Project Funds have been allocated.

BACKGROUND

Following the presentation on the Board's Community Focus Committee and subsequent Community Board Meeting, I have been requested to submit more detailed information on the activities for which funding was sought. The activities for which this early commitment from the Board was sought is around people activities particularly as they relate to children's after school and holiday programmes.

The reason for seeking some guarantee of funding at this early stage is to enable planning for the whole calendar year by both the service providers and the members of the community using the service.

These requests are activities that are well established within our community and have been funded in the past by the Community Board.

As per the normal budget process the balance of Project and Discretionary Funds will be allocated in February/March 2000.

All recommendations made will be subject to the normal Council budget process as regards to final approvals and adoption.

Projects for consideration were:

(a) BROMLEY OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMME

\$28,200pa

Comment:

This programme provides a safe affordable programme for children out of school hours.

Hours of operation are from 3pm to 5pm Monday to Thursday and provide activities for some children who may otherwise go home to an empty house, (Parent/Caregiver at work) or who may be hanging around the streets and being involved in petty crime, vandalism etc.

Other children benefit from stimulation these programmes provide.

The request for funding is to cover the shortfall of the Salary and associated programme costs.

(b) LINWOOD OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMME

\$32,000pa

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This activity is contracted out to OSCAR Development Corporation.

(c) YOUTH PROGRAMME

\$9,800pa

Comment:

To continue to run holiday adventure programmes for youth for the three school terms. Youth in the 11-15 year age group are not catered for in other holiday programmes. The Linwood Youth Research showed the need for adventure activities for youth.

It is a partnership between the Christchurch City Council and the Linwood Union Church. This project meets the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board's Statement of Intent in considering and identifying the needs of children also the Sport and Recreation Policy in response to local needs, in particular those of children.

Prime objectives would be:

- To provide a safe and supportive learning environment for youth.
- To offer the youth the opportunity to try new activities.
- To create an environment which encourages positive peer group relationship.
- To provide activities at an affordable price.
- To provide support for youth during the term as well as in the holidays.

Holiday programme activities include surfing, horse-riding, rockclimbing, BBQ etc. The cost to young people would be minimal and transport would be provided to help remove barriers to participation.

Holiday programme activities operate from 9.00am - 3.00pm daily, Monday to Friday during the April, July and October school holidays.

Activities during the term run for 8 weeks, one evening a week for 2 hours. Activities include break-dancing, skateboarding workshops.

BUDGET

Expenses

Youth Holiday Programmes \$2,600 per term April, July, October holidays \$7,800 Youth Term Programmes are programmes @ (\$1500 per term) x 4 terms \$6,000 \$13,800 Income

Leisure Unit \$4,000 **Activity Shortfall (Requested from Community** \$9,800 Board)

LINWOOD NORTH AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMME

\$6,000pa

Comment:

The programme operates one afternoon a week and is free to the children who attend.

There is a large need due to the limited number of After School programmes in this area.

This is a low socio economic area. The After School Programme contributes significantly to relieving pressure on local families.

Funds are for the continuation of the Linwood North After School Programme to meet supervisor and leaders pay, sport equipment and craft materials, venue hire.

BUDGET

Expenses

(\$267.73 per week) x 9 weeks \$9638.28

Income

Leisure Unit 3638.28

Activity Shortfall (Requested from Community \$6,000.00 Board)

(e) LEISURE ACTIVITIES FOR OLDER ADULTS

\$4,000pa

Comment:

To continue to operate a weekly programme which targets local residents over 70 years of age. There is a gap in provision for this age group, many of whom are living alone, housebound and to whom the Leisure Club is a key social link.

Leisure Club runs every Wednesday from 1pm - 3.00pm at the Phillipstown Community Centre. Transport is available to participants.

BUDGET

Expenses for one year	
Co-ordinator	\$2700
Guest Speaker	\$800
Afternoon Tea	\$400
Visits	\$800
Transport	\$400
Material for Crafts	<u>\$400</u>
\$1375 x 4 terms	\$5,500
Income	
\$3.00 per participant x 12.5 per afternoon x 40	\$ <u>1,500</u>
sessions	
Activity Shortfall (Requested from Community	\$4,000
Board)	

The Community Board at its November meeting agreed to meet 50% of the costs requested in this report.

This will enable planning to be undertaken by the service providers and community users of the service for the complete calendar year 1January to 31 December 2000.

At the February meeting of the Board where all applications for Project Funds will be considered this report will be included, to seek the balance of the funds required, along with other requests for Project Funds from the wider community.

As explained in previous reports the Council's financial year (1 July to 30 June) does not easily provide for calendar year activity funding.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

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