## 12. ROWLEY RESOURCE CENTRE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUEST

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The purpose of this report is to request the Board consider allocating \$5,334 to the Rowley Resource Centre for the purpose of extra paid hours for the Coordinator in addition to providing supervision, training and mileage costs for the community outreach work.

## **Background**

The Spreydon Heathcote Community Funding Committee met on Tuesday 23 November to consider the Community Sport Fund and Community Development applications. Total funds available to allocate were as follows:

Community Development: \$12,450 Community Sport Fund: \$29,017

This Community Development funding application (see attachments) has been referred from the Spreydon Heathcote Community Funding Committee to the Board as a priority one application (refer to attachments for Community Development Funding Priorities).

Due to the constraints on the Community Development fund allocating \$5,000 to one project represented allocating 40% of the total fund remaining. Furthermore, if the Funding Committee had allocated \$5,000 to the Rowley Resource Centre, only 11 of the remaining 29 applications would have received funding. The Committee decided to refer this application to the Board enabling allocations to be made to 17 applications.

## **Spreydon Heathcote Community Funding Committee Recommendations**

The Funding Committee strongly supports this Community Development application. Community Development is a structured intervention that gives communities greater control over the conditions that affect their lives. It does not solve all the problems faced by local communities, but builds up confidence to tackle such problems as effectively as any local action can. It looks to support the strengths and capabilities of people.

The project proposal from Rowley Resource Centre works towards achieving the above and is a very good example of community development. The project also works towards achieving outcomes from the Community Development and Social Well-Being Policy in addition to the following Board Objectives:

- Promoting community safety from crime
- Promoting a healthy community
- Promoting community education and
- Promoting social cohesion in the Spreydon Heathcote community.

Further details regarding this application will be tabled at the Board meeting.

Rowley Resource Centre was successful with their second application for a community outing to Orana Park and a sausage sizzle. The total cost of the project was \$1,325 and \$975 was requested. The Funding Committee allocated \$800 towards the project.

**Recommendation:** 

That the Board allocate \$5,334 from the 1999/2000 Discretionary Funds to the Rowley Resource Centre for the purpose of extra paid hours for the Co-ordinator in addition to providing supervision, training and mileage costs for the community outreach work.