6. SPENCERVILLE COMMUNITY HALL

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Corporate Plan Output: Community Facilities	

The purpose of this report is to seek funds from the Board to enable a disability access ramp to be constructed for the Spencerville Community hall.

The Spencerville Community Hall is a community-owned, community managed facility. It is located within the Spencerville community adjacent to recently developed tennis courts and children's play area. Nearby residential development has increased the numbers of potential users considerably.

The hall is in need of repair, maintenance and improvements of various forms. The Management Committee is presently looking at a variety of options for funding some of these initiatives, including Lottery Facilities and the Community Trust.

DISABILITY ACCESS

The hall presently lacks disability access and it is for this purpose that the Management Committee is seeking assistance from the Community Board.

The eastern side entrance to the hall faces onto the public park and children's play area. At present this is accessed by an unsightly, old concrete ramp and loading bay. This entrance would be the preferred site for disability access via a ramp.

The Committee has access to a pool of builders, carpenters, and labourers in the area. Consequently, the Committee is seeking sufficient funds to pay for materials and design costs only.

COSTS

Estimated costs of materials are \$500 and design costs are approximately \$100. The estimated voluntary labour is \$300 - \$400.

The balance in 2000/2001 Discretionary Fund is \$29,080.

Recommendation: That a grant of \$600 be allocated to the Spencerville Hall from Discretionary Funds for the purposes of constructing a disability access ramp.

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Recommendation: That the officer's recommendation be adopted and that the Spencerville Residents' Association be invited to meet with the Papanui Board members and Advocacy Team staff.