

7. 2001/2002 BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

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The purpose of this report is to seek funding allocation for the following community projects from the Community Board's 2001/01 to 2001/02 "carried forward" monies. Information relating to these projects has been circulated separately to Board members.

BACKGROUND

At the 28 May 2001 meeting, the Board agreed to carry forward into the next financial year unspent Project and Discretionary monies that included \$3,000 for Prime Time House and \$1,900 for Children/Youth Activities. Last week the B Pacific Cultural and Arts Group advised that their July 2001 holiday programme, which was funded \$2,000 by SCAP, was now not going ahead. The group has been requested to return the grant.

Board support from these "unspent monies" is suggested for the following community projects:

Breezes Road Baptist Church - Wainoni

The Church seeks funding support for its "6 to 9" Thursday after school programme and its Friday evening "Welcome Inn". Other community outreach services provided by the Church include:

- Youth Group with 60 young people on their contact list and a core grouping of 40 attending the Tuesday Night Club, holiday camps, fortnightly social event and a community drop in café each third week of the month. Three youth leaders are involved.
- Budget advice through the Kingdom Resources Trust.
- Minimites pre-school music and movement with 100 plus pre-schoolers on the register. Two sessions per week that also include parent/care-givers morning tea, parenting support, and health information opportunities.
- Community and family events including weekend camps, and mystery trips.

The Church congregation has formed Ministry Cell Groups where cell group members provide volunteer support and group leadership into the Church's community outreach services.

Members of the Church have been involved with the resident groupings, community hui and committees of the Aranui Community Renewal.

These community outreach services meet:

- Community Board 2001/02 Objectives 2.3, 2.5 and 2.6.
- Social Wellbeing Policy priorities 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7.
- Burwood/Pegasus Youth Recreation Needs Study recommendations.
- Child, youth and family support priorities emerging from the Aranui Community Renewal community consultation.

Turangawaewae Family Trust - Aranui

The Trust seeks funding support as a contribution towards its overall operating costs.

The Trust was formed by members of the Maori Evangelical Fellowship Church to provide social engagement and training into employment and work contract opportunities for people who have become seriously disadvantaged through long-term unemployment and un-wellness. Personal situations of the Trust's people include no employment history, short periods of employment, suffering abuse, living alone and isolated, no or poor education/school achievements, no writing and reading skills, drug and alcohol influenced life styles, recovering from/living with mental illness, and broken relationships resulting in the people being severely deskilled and destabilised. Six to ten people are engaged with the Trust on average each week.

The Trust has wage subsidy contracts with the Department of Work and Income and secures/tenders for group labour contracts with landowners and householders, schools and pre-schools, church and community organisations. Such work includes landscaping, lawn mowing, gardening, painting, home/house maintenance, furniture removals and vehicle maintenance.

The Trust's 2001/02 operating budget shows a shortfall of \$26,162 that the Trust raises through donations, grants, gifted materials/equipment and volunteer hours.

The work contracts provide people with opportunities to build trust, friendship, self-confidence, work and trade skills, and household maintenance skills. This builds on the skills already in the group, and creates a knowledge/awareness of places/types of employment and training.

Members of the Church and Trust have been involved with the resident groupings, community hui and committees of the Aranui Community Renewal.

These community outreach services meet:

- Community Board 2001/02 Objectives 2.6, 4.2 and 5.1.
- Social Wellbeing Policy priorities 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
- Improved household income, education and employment priorities emerging from the Aranui Community Renewal community consultation.

St Paul's Lutheran Church - Burwood

Board funding support is sought as a contribution towards the Church's community development work.

The Church's current community development work/community outreach services include:

- A fortnightly crafts group, 15-20 people.
- Indoor bowls club on alternate Thursday evenings, 10-15 players.
- Developing a community garden on the land between the manse and the Church.
- Foodbank/family food parcels, combined local church programme with St Vincent de Paul Society.
- Weekly Music 'n Movement group, 40 families involved.
- Weekly, fortnightly, monthly and holiday period children, youth and young adult programmes for 5-10 year olds, 11-13 year olds, secondary school youth and for Year 13 to mid-twenties age groups. Activities/programmes include craft, sport, recreation, personal development, camps, social and music/theatre events, and leadership development. The Kids Club has a roll of 60 children/55 families, 10-15 involved with the 11-13 age group, 20 plus with the secondary school youth group and 15-20 young adults.
- Parenteen practical parenting programme.
- Publication of a community newsletter to 600 homes.
- Hosting the monthly Paul's Café as a community meeting place.
- A community leadership training programme/course.
- Taking a lead role in developing practical responses to the recently completed combined churches Burwood/Parklands Community research project.

These community outreach services meet:

- Community Board 2001/02 Objectives 2.3, 2.5 and 2.6.
- Social Wellbeing Policy priorities 2, 3, 5 and 10.
- Burwood/Pegasus Youth Recreation Needs Study recommendations.
- Community outreach, community worker and youth service/programmes recommended by the Burwood Parklands Community Research Project. This project was undertaken by 12 local churches and the Family and Community Services Division of Anglican Care.

Officer's Comments

The funding level recommendations below are limited to the total of the carried forward "unspent monies". The Board may wish to support a higher level of funding through the Community Response Assistance/Community Development Initiatives funds and/or through the Board's 2001/02 Discretionary allocations. The amounts in brackets are suggested recommendations if the Board wishes to consider the other funding streams.

Recommendation:

That the Board allocate the following grants:

1. \$1,000 as a contribution to the Breezes Road Baptist Church's "Welcome Inn" (\$1,250 for Welcome Inn and \$250 for the 6 to 9 group).
2. \$4,900 as a contribution to the community employment operating costs of Turangawaewae Family Trust (\$6,500).
3. \$1,000 as a contribution to the community development work of St Paul's Lutheran Church (\$2,000).

Chairperson's**Recommendation:**

That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted, subject to confirmation that the Prime Time House grant is available for reallocation.