

2. ALLOCATION OF PROJECT AND DISCRETIONARY FUNDING FOR 2005/2006

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to outline the process for allocation of the Board's Project and Discretionary Fund for the 2005/2006 year, and to seek the Board's consideration and approval of the funding applications contained in the attached matrix document.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. A recent review has been undertaken on how all the community boards allocate funding. This has resulted in the attached matrix document which allows staff to evaluate applications and provide the Board with streamlined information to enable efficient and effective decision making. Staff evaluation is based on standard criteria and then entered into the matrix for comparative purposes with other applications. All relevant staff then meet to agree to priority ratings for the applications which guide the final staff recommendations to the Board. The matrix contains the following information for each application for funding:

Group

3. The individual applications have come from various sources – community groups and/or individuals; board members and staff. The full applications will be available at the meeting if members require them.
4. The total amount of funding requested through the applications was approximately \$700,000 and it has therefore required considerable staff effort to make recommendations totalling close to the \$390,000 available.
5. To assist the Board with allocation of its Project and Discretionary Fund copies of the Board's 2005/2006 Objectives have been circulated separately.
6. Accountability reporting of the current year's funding allocation is being prepared and will be brought to the Board for consideration in April 2005.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. Each year the Board is provided with a total of \$390,000 for allocation as follows:
 - Strengthening Communities (SCAP) \$40,000 – specific projects can be designated as SCAP projects.
 - Discretionary Fund for disbursement throughout the year at the Board's discretion (can be up to a maximum of \$60,000).
 - Project Fund for allocation to projects that align to the Board's/community's outcomes and Council policies - \$50,000 of which is to be specifically tagged for supporting the salary of