

10. **SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE 2010/11 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – COURTENAY GRENON, SAASHA DODGE, MARY WILLIAMS, MICHAEL RIDDING AND MICHAEL BROWNLEE**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Board, five applications for funding assistance from the Spreydon/ Heathcote 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by the following applicants:
 - a) Courtenay Grenon, 16 year old from St Martins to represent Middleton Grange School in Touch at the Southern Skies Tournament in Brisbane from 4 – 10 July 2010.
 - b) Saasha Dodge, 17 year old from St Martins to represent Middleton Grange School in Touch at the Southern Skies Tournament in Brisbane from 4 – 10 July 2010.
 - c) Mary Williams of Spreydon, Michael Ridding 21 year old of Hoon Hay and Michael Brownlee 19 year old of Hoon Hay to represent the Philippine Culture and Sports Society in Basketball and Volleyball at the Pistang Pilipino 2010 (annual National Filipino Reunion) on Auckland's North Shore from 22 to 24 October 2010.
3. All applications were received prior to the events taking place, as required in the criteria. Courtenay and Saasha were selected late for the Middleton Grange School Touch team after two players pulled out.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The following tables detail event expenses and funding requested for each applicant:

a) **Courtenay Grenon**

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Accommodation and food	\$1,100
Air Fares	\$790
Total Cost	\$1,890
Amount raised	\$200
Amount requested	\$500

b) **Saasha Dodge**

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Accommodation and food	\$1,100
Air Fares	\$790
Total Cost	\$1,890
Amount raised	\$100
Amount requested	\$500

c) **Mary Williams, Michael Ridding and Michael Brownlee**

EXPENSES (each)	Cost (NZ \$)
Return airfares	\$160
Domestic transport	\$100
Food	\$50
Uniforms	\$200
Registration fee	\$30
Accommodation	\$100
Total cost per person	\$640
Amount raised per person	\$100
Amount requested per person	\$500

5. This is the first time Courtenay Grenon, Saasha Dodge and Mary Williams have applied for funding from the Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme. Michael Ridding and Michael Brownlee received \$50 each from the 2009/10 Spreydon/ Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme to assist with travelling expenses to the annual Filipino Reunion in Wellington 23 to 26 October 2009.
6. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society have applied to other Community Boards for funding assistance.
7. There is currently a balance of \$6,600 available in the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

8. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. There are no legal issues to be considered.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

10. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Yes.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

12. Yes, Community Grants (pg 176), Strengthening Communities (pg 172), and Recreation and Sports Services (pg.108).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. Application aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.

14. Application also aligns with the following Spreydon/ Heathcote Community Board Objectives:

'Increased participation of Spreydon/Heathcote residents in local and city-wide recreation events/ programmes.'

'A culturally inclusive Spreydon/Heathcote community'

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board allocate Courtenay Grenon \$150 from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to assist her to represent Middleton Grange School in Touch at the Southern Skies Tournament in Brisbane from 4 – 10 July 2010.

It is recommended that the Board allocate Saasha Dodge \$150 from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to assist her to represent Middleton Grange School in Touch at the Southern Skies Tournament in Brisbane from 4 – 10 July 2010.

It is recommended that the Board allocate Mary Williams, Michael Ridding and Michael Brownlee \$50 each from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to assist them to represent the Philippine Culture and Sports Society at Pistang Pilipino 2010 (annual National Filipino Reunion) on Auckland's North Shore from 22 to 24 October 2010.

CHAIRPERSONS RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND OF EACH APPLICANT

Courtenay Grenon and Saasha Dodge

16. Courtenay and Saasha attend Middleton Grange School where they have played touch rugby for the past two years. They both see this as an opportunity to experience competition at a higher level and to pass this on to the junior teams in the school through coaching.
17. The Southern Skies Tournament is an international youth multi-sport event held in Brisbane each July. Hosted by Brisbane Boys' College, the Tournament has evolved over the past 12 years to become one of the biggest and most exciting youth Tournaments in the Southern Hemisphere. Competitions are hosted in Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby and for the very first time in 2010 they are running Touch Football. Teams are welcomed from all over the world and the tournament is considered a sporting and cultural experience.
18. Middleton Grange School Touch team is one of eight teams competing in the Touch competition. Teams can be school or club based and even representative across both. The social programme includes a cultural concert where teams can perform and a performance from an indigenous dance troupe.
19. The team has fundraised for the trip to cover team entry fees. Both Courtenay and Saasha have helped with fundraising activities including 'Take a Kid to Footy', busking and a sausage sizzle. Courtenay has been baby sitting and selling second hand goods to help cover the rest of the expenses.

Mary Williams, Michael Ridding and Michael Brownlee of the Philippine Culture and Sports Society

20. The Philippine Culture and Sports co-ordinate a local basketball and volleyball sports programme that involves weekly training sessions, competition and social games. The programme also incorporates other sports such as tennis, table tennis, badminton and is predominantly run by volunteers from the society. This programme not only encourages new migrants to be active and socialise but, is developing links with Canterbury sporting bodies for some of their players.
21. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society is a long standing member of the Federation of Filipino Associations, Societies and Clubs in NZ. Players from the local competition have been selected to represent Christchurch at the Auckland tournament. The tournament is an opportunity for players to further develop their skills in a more competitive environment, celebrate their culture and to network with other Philippine people. The applicants have been selected based on their dedication to the team, leadership skills and ability to relate to different ethnic groups.
22. At this tournament in 2009, the women's volleyball team placed second and the boys basketball team placed third. This year they are taking nine teams in total to the tournament who are competing in volleyball, basketball, badminton and tennis.
23. The work of the Philippine Culture and Sports continues to grow in Christchurch and in September 2009, the annual 'Global Basketball' competition was held at Cowles and Pioneer Stadiums. The tournament is due to be staged again in September 2010. Teams from various ethnic groups have been invited to compete in a formal competition over a two day period. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society came up with the initial concept for this competition four years ago, which is now being supported by the CCC Recreation and Sports Unit and co-ordinated in conjunction with Canterbury Basketball Association 'Junior Advisory Group'.
24. The team has currently fundraised \$2,200 through ticket sales from a cultural dance event, selling chocolates, donations and will continue to fundraise until they go away.