

10. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FUND APPLICATION – COURTNEY LOUISE MCGREGOR**

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8534
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Courtney Louise McGregor, is a 13 year old student who lives in Halswell and is seeking Community Board support to travel to Utah, USA for an extensive training camp and to qualify for a place in the New Zealand team to compete at the Pacific Rim gymnastics competition. This trip will take place from 2 – 20 March 2012.
3. Courtney is currently a member of the Christchurch School of Gymnastics and has been competing since the age of six. In 2010 Courtney progressed to the high performance programme after being the Level 5 National Champion and currently trains up to 30 hours a week. In her first International competition at the Victorian State Championships in 2011 Courtney placed second in vault and third on floor and she also placed first at the South Island Championships and second overall at New Zealand Nationals.
4. Courtney is aiming to qualify for selection in the NZ team to compete at the 2012 Pacific Rim Championships and her results in the upcoming training camp in Utah will provide the platform for this selection. If not selected the remaining athletes will compete in a local competition in Seattle.
5. Courtney's sporting expenses are predominantly covered by her family and she is hoping to raise funds through upcoming fundraising opportunities such as sausage sizzles and event marshalling work. She would appreciate any financial assistance from the Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested:

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EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
International and Domestic Airfares	\$2995.74
Coach expenses	\$500.00
Competition entry fees	\$85.00
Total Cost	\$3,580.74
Amount Requested from the Community Board	Not indicated

7. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board for funding.
8. At the time of writing this report there is a unallocated balance of \$10,538 in the 2011/12 Riccarton/Wigram Youth Development Scheme Fund.

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

9. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Aligns with page 184 in the 2009-19 LTCCP.

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

12. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board support the application and allocate \$500 to Courtney Louise McGregor as a contribution towards her trip to the USA from the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Fund.