

17. APPLICATION TO THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD'S POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – ALEXANDER WILSON MARSHALL

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board's 2011/12 Positive Youth Development Scheme.
2. There is currently \$7,339 in the 2011/12 Positive Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. The purpose of the Youth Development Scheme is to celebrate and support young people living in the Shirley Papanui ward by providing financial assistance for their development. The Community Board also seeks to acknowledge young people's effort, achievement and potential excellence in the community.
4. The Positive Youth Development Scheme will consider applications for the following activities:
 - Personal Development and Growth - For example leadership training, career development, Outward Bound, Spirit of Adventure, extra curricular educational opportunities.
 - Representation at Events - Applicants can apply for assistance if you have been selected to represent your school, team or community at a local, national or international event or competition. This includes sporting, cultural and community events.
5. The following eligibility criteria must be met:
 - Age groups 12-21 years.
 - Projects must have obvious benefits for the young person and if possible the wider community.
 - Only one application per person permitted per year.
 - Applicants should be undertaking other fundraising activities and not relying solely on Community Board support.
6. The applicant Alexander Wilson Marshall is an 18 year old, who lives in Condell Avenue. Alex currently attends St Andrews College on a full cricketing scholarship. Alexander is seeking funding support to attend the Willows Cricket Club Tour of Sri Lanka from 3 April to 19 April 2012.
7. The Willows Cricket Club was established in 1994. The Clubs' objectives are to encourage players in secondary school first elevens to play with and against experienced players, many of whom are present or past first class cricketers. To offer quality cricket to cricket lovers in a country atmosphere where families may come to watch and picnic (for more information www.thewillows.org.nz/).

The Club has selected a Youth Team to tour Sri Lanka and Kuala Lumpur. Players were selected from national secondary competition and from teams that played against the Willows team during the season.
8. The team will play regional teams and other leading secondary schools. They are expecting to play nine games in 15 days. While on tour Alex is looking forward to enhancing his skills especially spin bowling. Alex is also looking forward to experiencing different cultures.
9. Alex has been playing cricket since he was five years old and has represented Canterbury since he was 11 years old. Alex currently plays for St Andrews and the Canterbury team.
10. Alex has been busy working for Brazier Scaffolding and using this money towards the trip.

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11. Alex comes from a single parent family. The applicant's family is very supportive, but have very limited financial resources to cover the costs of attending this tour. Any financial assistance from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board would be greatly appreciated. This is Alex's first application to the Community Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

12. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs per person for this trip.

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Travel Fee costs	\$2,000
Total Cost per person	\$2,000
Fundraising	\$ 500
Amount still owing	\$1,500

13. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board currently has a balance of \$7,339 remaining in the Positive Youth Development Scheme for allocation.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

14. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. This fund aligns with the 2009-19 LTCCP.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. This fund aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board make a grant of \$500 to assist Alexander Wilson Marshall to attend the Willows Cricket Club Tour of Sri Lanka from 3 April to 19 April 2012.