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11. **METROPOLITAN DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND 2011-12 APPLICATION – NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN CHRISTCHURCH BRANCH**



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Council to consider an application for funding to the 2011/12 Metropolitan Discretionary Response Fund. The application is from the National Council of Women Christchurch Branch (**Attachment 1**).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. In 2011/12, the total pool available for allocation for the Metropolitan Discretionary Response Fund is \$145,057. At the time of writing, there is \$113,366 remaining in the Metropolitan Discretionary Response Fund for 2011/12.
3. The purpose of the Fund is to assist community groups where the project and funding request falls outside other Council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations. Applications requesting over \$15,000 require consideration by the Metropolitan Funding Committee. Staff have delegated authority to consider applications for less than \$15,000.
4. There is one application to be considered:

National Council of Women Christchurch Branch

Amount requested	\$56,792
Priority	2
Staff recommendation:	\$15,000

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. If funding is approved, the available balance of the Metropolitan Fund will decrease accordingly.

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

6. Yes, see LTCCP page 184.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

7. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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

8. Yes. Strengthening Communities Funding. See LTCCP pages 178 and 179 regarding community grants schemes.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

9. Yes. The funding allocation process is covered in the Council's Strengthening Communities Strategy.

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CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

10. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council makes a grant of \$15,000 to the National Council of Women Christchurch Branch as a contribution towards the transcription costs for their Women's Voices: Recording women's experiences of the Canterbury Earthquakes 2010-11 project.