



# COMMUNITY FUNDING

*Our District offers a high quality of life for all residents*

Council provides funding for:

Creative initiatives, projects and events which celebrate our district and highlights its special character, and Representatives of sporting, cultural or artistic pursuits (individuals and teams).

July 2023 - June 2024

# COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

Council thinks about community well-being in terms of Te Whare Tapa Whā, a model of health developed by Mason H. Durie (Ngati Kauwhata). The four tapa (walls) symbolise different aspects of personal and community well-being - when each tapa is strong, our community is strong.

When Council is considering requests for community funding, it thinks about how the request aligns with Te Whare Tapa Whā.



## COUNCIL PRIORITIES FOR 2021–2031

A place to belong and grow  
He kāinga e ora pai ai te katoa

A future planned together  
He kāinga ka whakamaherea  
tāhiti tōna anamata e te  
hapori tonu

An environment to be proud of  
He kāinga ka rauhitia tōna taiao

Infrastructure fit for future  
He kāinga ka tūwhena tonu  
ōna pūnahahanga, haere ake  
nei te wā

A prosperous, resilient economy  
He kāinga ka tōnui tōna ōhanga

Value for money and  
excellence in local government  
He kāinga ka eke tōna  
kāwanatanga ā-rohe ki ngā  
taumata o te kairangi

# FUNDING FAQS

My school sports team has qualified for the nationals but it will cost a lot and we'd like to subsidise each player through fundraising. Should we apply?

Yes! You may be eligible for assistance through the representative fund.

Our local committee would like to organise a mural to brighten up a blank wall in town.

It sounds like your project might meet the criteria for both the Creative Communities Fund and the Community Development Fund.

I have been selected to represent our district in the NZ Youth Choir. Would I be eligible for the Representative Fund?

It's definitely worth checking out the eligibility criteria online.

We want to organise a summer local music festival in the town centre. Would Council come to the party?

We would certainly consider it! Apply to the Events Fund, the Community Development Fund or the Creative Communities Fund (or all three!)

The Gardening Club would like to start a community garden. We have committed volunteers but we need a few hundred dollars to buy some compost, seedlings and seeds, netting and other bits and pieces. Which fund should we apply to?

The Community Development Fund would be your best bet.

# WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

## COUNCIL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Available to any community group or individual within the Manawatū District. Any one off project/service which contributes to Te Whare Tapa Whā will be considered.

**Annual amount available:** \$26,000

**Application closing dates:** 30 June / 30 November



### EVENT FUND

The Event Fund supports events or festivals that are primary of benefit to Manawatū District residents and directly contribute to the Community Development Strategy's vision of "Our District offers a high quality of life for all residents".

**Annual amount available:** \$50,000

**Application closing dates:** 30 March / 30 June / 30 September



### REPRESENTATIVE FUND

For Manawatū District residents who have been selected to represent the district, region or NZ in arts, sport or culture.

**Annual amount available:** \$20,000

**Application closing dates:** No closing date



## FUNDS DISTRIBUTED BY COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF OTHERS



### CREATIVE COMMUNITIES FUND

Creative New Zealand (Arts Council of NZ Toi Aotearoa) provides annual funding to local councils in NZ for distribution in their area. MDC distributes a total of \$33,000 per year in the Manawatū community.

**Annual amount available:** \$40,000

**Application closing dates:** 31 March / 31 August



### THE HOOK BEQUEST

Available for

- residents of Feilding who are in financial need
- charitable purposes in Feilding

**Annual amount available:** Variable

**Application closing dates:** Applications are currently closed for this grant and will be opened again once funding becomes available.



### ROBERT DICKSON EDUCATION TRUST

This trust provides financial assistance with costs related to the education, extracurricular activities or personal growth of children of single parents who are in financial need. Open to residents of Manawatū. Applications must be endorsed by a social services organisation.

**Annual amount available:** Variable

**Application closing dates:** Applications may be made at any time



#### Negin Nema

For the most up-to-date information on community funding information, visit [www.mdc.govt.nz](http://www.mdc.govt.nz) and click on 'About Council' then 'Community Funding', or contact Negin on (06) 323 0000 or [negin.nema@mdc.govt.nz](mailto:negin.nema@mdc.govt.nz)

## Rates Remissions for Charitable Organisations

Rates remissions are available to charitable organisations who are seeking rates relief. For more information visit [www.mdc.govt.nz](http://www.mdc.govt.nz) and click on 'About Council' then 'Community Funding' then 'Rates Remissions for Charitable Organisations'.

# PREVIOUS FUNDING RECIPIENTS

Have a read of the following six examples of groups and individuals who have received funding from Council's various funds. The examples show the different ways Council funding can be applied for and put to use.



## **NGĀ KAITIAKI O NGATI KAUWHATA INC (CDF)**

was granted \$2,000 towards the cost of providing rubbish bags for Pataka Kai for Te Rourou Manaaki.



## **CELTIC SPIRIT INC (CCS)**

was granted \$5,081 towards the cost of holding the Piping for Prostate event held at Manfeild Park in September 2022.



## **NATHANIEL HASTELOW-FAGG (RF)**

was granted \$2,000 to represent NZ at the world Kickboxing Association's International World Championships held in Ireland in November 2022.



## **TE TŪ MATAORA (RF)**

was granted \$5,000 towards the cost of competing at Te Matatini - the National Kapa Haka Festival held in Auckland, February 2023.



## **MANAWATU BLOKART CLUB (EF)**

was granted \$7,500 towards the cost of hosting the 2022 Blokart Worlds and NZ Open held in Sanson in October 2022.



## **FEILDING MANCHESTER LIONS CLUB (CDF)**

was granted \$5,000 towards the costs associated with delivering "My Health Check" targeting the district's rural community.



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