# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FUND 2021 - 2022**



#### **Background**

Hutt City Council made budgetary provisions in 2021/2022 of \$48,850 per annum through the Community Boards/Funding Panels as follows:

Board/Panel	Amount Available
Eastbourne	\$2,366
Petone	\$6,250
Wainuiomata	\$8,607
Central	\$9,320
Eastern	\$8,461
Northern	\$7,644
Western	\$6,201

### **Purpose**

To support development or events in the local community with the objective of strengthening and building a community.

# Who is eligible?

Organisations must be an Incorporated Society or a Charitable Trust and be based in Lower Hutt. The event/activity must take place within Lower Hutt.

# Ineligible purposes

Funding will not be granted for the following:

- purchase of land/buildings/or alterations to buildings, including building maintenance, loans and mortgages
- organisations or groups providing services that are considered to be the responsibility of central or local government or some other funding body
- retrospective costs for activities which have already taken place or been completed (i.e. costs incurred before the decision meeting date to consider the application)
- organisations or groups which seek to redistribute funds to other recipients
- fundraising costs and legal costs, prize monies
- debt repayment or refinancing of existing loans
- capital investment or trust funds
- ongoing operating costs of community groups or organisations such as rent and salaries.

# **Accountability and acknowledgement**

Successful applicants are required to complete an accountability form (with receipts and photographs if applicable) within six weeks of the completion date and may also be required to attend a meeting of the Community Board/Community Funding Panel.

#### **Application tips**

Applicant groups are strongly recommended to:

- show realistic project/activity costs
- show they have an identified need for the project/activity and that they have planned carefully
- have also tried other sources of funding, applying elsewhere.

# How to apply

We have improved the process for you - you no longer have to apply through the Online Grants System. Your organisation can apply through the Hutt City Council website: <a href="https://huttcity.govt.nz/cef">https://huttcity.govt.nz/cef</a>.

Complete the form, attach your quote(s) and send. We may contact you for more information or clarification on your application.

## **Application dates**

The Community Board/ Funding Panels may allocate all funding in the 1st round (October/November) or may decide to only allocate some and have a 2nd round of funding (May/June).

Each year a funding calendar is created to include the opening and closing dates of the funds: huttcity.govt.nz/funding-calendar

# Support

Any queries/advice please contact our Community Funding Advisor on 04 5706666 or <a href="mailto:funding@huttcity.govt.nz">funding@huttcity.govt.nz</a>.