

STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee
FROM: Community and Recreation Advisor
REFERENCE: C752
DATE: 7 May 2007
SUBJECT: Community and Recreation Advisor's Report

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Committee on the Community and Recreation Department.

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES

The Creative Communities Funding for local community arts projects is an annual allocation of \$29,811.38 we administer on behalf of Creative New Zealand. The grants are considered twice a year with rounds closing March and September.

The Committee meet on 30 April to consider the March 2007 round - 21 applications were received with a total value of \$23,360 from an available pool of \$10,572.76 not including the \$4,000.00 allocated to the three Arts Councils to administer small discretionary grants. The Committee felt that very worthy applications are being declined in recent times with the round being heavily over subscribed.

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THAT L Harwood and M Tasman-Jones compile a submission to Tasman District Council's draft 2007/2008 Annual Plan to the effect that funding from the Creative Communities scheme is insufficient for applications received and asking that Council make approaches to Creative New Zealand about the possibility of additional funding.

CARRIED

Art Group Nelson Inc	\$400
Motueka Arts Council Inc	822
Motueka Arts Council Inc	1,200
Te Ataarangi Kit e Tauihuote Waka a Maui	500
The Big Sing Regional Secondary Schools Choral Festival	900
Golden Bay Community Arts Council Inc	2,200

Arts Council Nelson	500
Community Resource Centre	1,000
Fibre Matters	450
Motueka High School Extension Drama	900
Donna McLeod	600
Moutere Hills Community Centre Inc	500
Nelson Bays Israeli Folk Dancing	200
THAT discretionary funds be allocated as follows:	
Motueka Arts Council	\$1,700
Arts Council Nelson	1,500
Golden Bay Arts Council	1,200

COMMUNICATION KAWATIRI

The Communication Kawatiri partnership runs projects that support arts businesses to grow and artists to have successful careers. There are two projects currently underway.

The Top of the South Arts Expo matching local artists with national retailers and galleries. This is being held over two days at the Rutherford Hotel 29/30 May 2007.

The Communication Kawatiri partnership is also running another series of meetings across the Top of the South Island, this time tailored for performing artists and visual artists separately. In the Tasman District this is taking place in Takaka on Thursday 17 May 2007 at the Senior Citizens Hall. Schedule is Visual Arts Workshop 10.30am – 2.00pm and the Performing Arts Meeting 1.00pm.

SETTLEMENT SUPPORT

Settlement Support is a Nelson Tasman project to improve the settlement outcomes for migrants, refugees and their families. The project has a coordinator position funded by the Department of Labour and housed at Nelson City Council. Following the launch in Nelson on 13 April the Settlement Support initiative held a lunchtime meeting for migrants in the Motueka area on Sunday 29 April at 12 noon at Community House in Decks Reserve. The initial meeting was attended by 25 migrants and support agencies. The aim being provision of better coordinated provision of settlement advice and information, and more responsive mainstream services for migrants and refugees at the local level. The project will be having a stall at the Motueka Sunday market in late May early June to continue to gain feedback and profile opportunities. There was discussion about a multi ethnic day to be held on Decks Reserve later in the year.

FUNDING EXPO

Tasman District Council supported and had an information stall at the Funding Expo held at the Moutere Hills Community Centre.

SPARC RURAL TRAVEL FUND

The fund is targeted at the travel costs of young people aged between 5-19 years participating in regular local sport teams' competition. The allocation of the fund is based on a population density formula for territorial authorities whom have less than 10 people per square kilometre. Tasman's allocation has again increased from a total of \$11,027.34 for the 2005/2006 financial year to \$16,206 for the 2006/2007 year. There is \$10,667 available for the April round. Calculated by total of \$16,206 less the \$6,180 allocated in October plus \$641.30 that Motueka High School returned as costs came in under budget. There are 16 applications totalling \$31,655 to consider. These applications will be considered by the Grants and Community Facilities subcommittee on 22 May.

COMMUNITY GRANTS, GRANTS FROM RATES

There is currently \$6,220.00 unallocated from the annual budget of \$162,000. Two applications will be presented to the 22 May Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee for consideration. They are the Nelson Tasman Business Trust for Tasman Business advice and mentoring and Wakatu Incorporation for assistance with the publishing costs of "Te Ara Hou: The New Society", Volume II by John and Hilary Mitchell. These applications will be considered by the Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee on 22 May.

TRUSTPOWER COMMUNITY AWARDS

Tasman District Council is again providing support to administer these awards which acknowledge the work of the regions community organisations. We have received 74 nominations at the time of writing. Nominations close on 25 May.

WAY 2 GO ACTIVE COMMUNITIES PROJECT

Website

The Way 2 Go website is ready to go live on www.way2go.org.nz. The site will profile the Way2Go projects, list events, provide contacts and information on each of the community HUBs as well as having links to other local and national activity and nutrition related sites.

Activities Trailer

The funding application to the Canterbury Community Trust granted \$10,000 for the purchase of the trailer successful unfortunately the application to New Zealand Community Trust for the purchase a public address system was declined.

Nelson Marlborough District Health Board Evaluation Fund

Way2Go is nearly 18 months through its three year funding from SPARC. We have applied to the NMDHB Evaluation Fund for \$30,000 to evaluate the project thus far and plan where to from here. The evaluation will be used to inform future funding requests.

TASMAN YOUTH COUNCIL

Regional summaries:

Waimea Cluster

- Late Late Bus survey: We are continuing to get responses to the survey compiled late last year and hope to have the results compiled and ready to present to Council by July 2007.
- Youth Week Activities
- Sunnyside Up radio show workshop – eight youth councillors are in the process of undertaking training to host the Sunnyside Up Youth Radio show which takes place on Wednesday nights on Fresh FM from 6.00pm- 7.00pm

Motueka Cluster

- Youth Week Activities

Golden Bay Cluster

- Youth Week Activities
- Youth Centre Project – ongoing

Murchison Cluster

- Youth Needs Analysis

Youth Week

National Youth Week this year is 21-27 May. The Tasman Youth Council have been involved in promoting the week and there are a number of activities happening across the district including a dance party in Motueka and the Youth Cube Art Project in Richmond.

Youth Volunteer Awards 2007

These awards are taking place on 21 June at the New Hub in Nelson. The awards are to celebrate the voluntary efforts of young people aged between 12-25 years. Last year we had approximately 150 awards handed out at the ceremony and a large amount of them were for Tasman youth. Nominations are still open until 1 June. Tasman Youth Council will again be taking an active role in the judging and presenting of the special awards for the Tasman nominees this year and will be MCing the event. Thank you to Councillor King who has agreed to hand out the Individual Awards with Councillor Henigan from Nelson City Council. Cindy Mosey will be the guest speaker.

Big Day OUT

During the April school holidays we held a big day out 'Tahunanui Fun Day' in the fun park area of Tahunanui Beach. Activities included Model Train Rides, Hydroslide, Megaslide, Mini Golf, Natureland, Roller Skating and a Sandcastle Comp. 260 children from around the Nelson/Tasman Region attended including programmes from Motueka and Golden Bay.

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http://tdctoday:82/shared_documents/meetings/council/committees_and_subcommittees/community_services_committee/reports/2007/rcs070516_report_community_and_recreation_advisor.doc