STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee

FROM: Community and Recreation Advisor

REFERENCE: C752

DATE: 5 August 2009

SUBJECT: Community and Recreation Advisor's Report

CPU FUNDING

The Graffiti Vandalism Prevention Grant Fund is an allocation of grants made available by the Ministry of Justice, to New Zealand Territorial Local Authorities, Non-Government Organisations and Iwi. We were successful in receiving a grant of \$51,000, allocated over two years. A steering group was formed to guide the project and the first meeting was held on 31 July.

TRUSTPOWER COMMUNITY AWARDS

The recipients of these awards, which acknowledge the work of the region's community organisations, were announced at a celebratory night at Seifrieds Estate on 13 July.

The Friends of Motueka Hospital Trust won the Supreme Award at the TrustPower Nelson Tasman Community Awards, and will represent the district at the national awards, which we are hosting in March 2010.

Keep Motueka Beautiful, was the winner of the Tasman District Supreme Award.

Other Tasman-Nelson winners were:

Heritage and Environment

Nelson Railway Society, runner-up Rotary Club Nelson.

Health and Wellbeing

Murchison Ambulance Service, runner-up Nelson Hospital Shuttle Buggy Volunteers. Commendations: Tahunanui Community Centre Committee, Friends of the Emergency Department Nelson Hospital.

Arts and Culture

Nelson Multi-Ethnic Council, runner-up Wakefield District Youth Trust. Commendations: Motueka Arts Council, Raemana Maori Wardens.

Sport and Leisure

Nelson Mountainbike Club, runner-up Golden Bay Search & Rescue.

Educational and Child/Youth Development

The Nelson ARK, runner-up DARNZ Hip-Hop Salsa Crew. Commendations: Motueka High School PTA, Motupipi School Fundraising Committee.

Supreme Winner Nelson City
Founders Park Bookfair Team.

Motueka High School's Breakfast for Students programme received a \$250 donation from the winner of the inaugural TrustPower Youth Community Spirit Award, Missy Seymour, who was allocated the money to donate to a charity of her choice.

GRANTS FROM RATES

Applications for Community Grants close on Monday 31 August with forms available at service centres, libraries and via the website.

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES

Applications for Creative Community Grants close on 30 September with forms available as above.

SPRING STRUT AND STRIDE

Spring Strut Stride is run by Way 2 Go in conjunction with the Heart Foundation and is a team based regional walking promotion. The event celebrates the national Push Play Nation promotion which is an annual event in October. Information brochures, team and individual recording charts are being launched soon.

ECOFEST

An active transport stall is being held again this year to promote Walk Tasman, the Urban Links maps and the upcoming Way 2 Go events.

WAY2GO ACTION EXPOS

The Action Expos showcase the diverse sport, recreation and leisure activities available in our region. These are being planned for Motueka and Richmond.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Mike Tasman-Jones

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