

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS



Te Tari Taiwhenua
Internal Affairs

ABOUT COMMUNITY ADVISORS

We provide support, and information/advice on central government and Lottery funds.

Website: <https://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/>

Search with 'Ask us' to find specific items including budget and organisation requirements, and important dates for grant funding.

SOME FUNDS ON OFFER

Te Tahua Whakatinana Papakāinga / Lottery Community Fund – grants to help improve the quality of people's lives in the community:

- ongoing operational costs
- community projects or events
- minor capital projects of \$50,000 or less
- community development costs, such as hui, training, planning, evaluation, facilitator fees.

[Click here for more information](#)

Oranga Marae – grants for the physical and cultural revitalisation of marae as centres of Māori identity and mātauranga. The fund is provided by Te Puni Kōkiri and the Department. Grants are for:

- Marae development planning (MDP)
- Technical or feasibility reports (TFS)
- Marae cultural &/or capital works (MDI)

[Click here for more about Oranga Marae](#)

Te Tahua Mā Ngā Whakahaere i Ngā Hapori / Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) – grants to community-based social services that contribute to local outcomes:

- ongoing operational costs
- community projects or events.

[Click for more on COGS](#)

Te Tahua Hapori Ngā Whakaurunga Lottery Community Facilities – to improve or build new community facilities and for studies to find out if a community facility is needed and can be achieved: e.g. stadiums, community swimming pools, skate parks, playgrounds, community halls and performing arts complexes.

[Click here for more on this fund](#)

Te Tahua Taiao Ngā Taonga / Lottery Environment and Heritage Fund - grants for plans, reports and one-off projects that preserve, restore, and protect NZ's natural, physical, and cultural heritage e.g.:

- restoring habitats and ecosystems for our native plants and animals
- restoring places and structures of significance
- protecting cultural collections.

[Click here for more](#)

Tahua Āheinga Hapori me te Tūaotanga / Community and Volunteering Capability Fund For services and projects that improve leadership and strengthen the capability and capacity of New Zealand's diverse community and voluntary sector.

- [Sector leadership funding](#) organisation with a national focus, whose primary role is to provide leadership and build capability.
- [Organisational capability funding](#) Community organisations with a development need that requires them to use a skilled professional for a period of time to develop and improve that organisation's work.
- [Volunteering funding](#) – funds for one off projects, regional centres, and Volunteer NZ.
- [Youth worker training funding](#) – building capability youth workers.

Either talk to an advisor or can email for request advice to CVCFund@dia.govt.nz.

Te Tahua Mā Te Minita Anō Te Tohatoha Lottery Minister's Discretionary Fund

For projects that fall outside the scope of other Lottery Funds, AND four other priorities that are only available through the Fund:

- * Overseas travel (including attending international, web-based events and conferences remotely)
- * Volunteer firefighting/emergency ambulance services projects
- * Animal welfare projects
- * Training for financial planning and/or good governance (esp. those groups supporting children); Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Te Ao Māori training; and one-off learning and development projects where two or more community organisations benefit.

APPLICATION TIPS

- Be clear, concise, can use bullet points.
- Talk to an advisor if you have any questions about eligibility or the application process.

WEB LINKS

Access fund information (click the links below)

- [Hāpai Hapori Funding Calendar](#)
- [Budget requirements](#)
- [Organisation requirements](#)
- [Logging on to our Grants Online System for the first time?](#)

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DO YOU KNOW?

- The range of funds we have and their open/close dates?
- What the priority benefits/outcomes are for the fund you are looking at? Does what you aim to achieve fit within any of these?
- Our organisation and fund application requirements (e.g. Financial and Budget)?
- How to view the previous grants for this fund?
- How to check your Organisation Profile is up to date and navigate the system?
- How will your group evidence the need you're responding to?
- How will you evidence/show the difference or changes made to meet this need?

To answer either use 'Ask us' on our Community Matters website or email us.

What do you want to know?

Ask us

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