

Community Grants Policy

Who can apply for grants?

- community organisations with a formal legal structure
- groups or individuals with no formal legal structure can apply for up to \$1,000 (Kaipatiki Local Board will not fund individuals)
- applicants seeking funding over \$1,000 will need to nominate an umbrella organisation or
- receive funding retrospectively.

Who is ineligible to apply for grants?

- Political parties
- Internal applicants (i.e. to fund projects, programmes or facilities run by Auckland Council or its employees)
- Auckland Council CCOs (council-controlled organisations), including facilities owned and operated by Regional Facilities Auckland (RFA)
- Organisations receiving statutory funding from council via compulsory annual levies, under the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Act (ARAFA) or comparable legislation¹
- Other local authorities, government agencies or public sector entities.

Commercial entities

- Commercial entities – e.g. Limited Liability Companies – may apply for grants in certain circumstances, except where individual local boards or governing body committees have specifically stated they will not consider applications from such entities. Please see the specific local board or regional grant programme.
- Projects, events or initiatives proposed by commercial entities would need to clearly and directly benefit the wider community. Examples of instances where we may fund a commercial entity are:
 - to cover the costs of delivering a free community event or activity
 - to subsidise the costs of a charged-for event or activity (i.e. reducing fees to a level that enables community access)
 - to enable a charged-for event or activity to be delivered that would otherwise not be commercially viable, where that event or activity will help achieve our stated priorities and outcomes, and charges are not set at a level that would prevent broad participation.

The following activities will not be funded:

- debt servicing or repayment
- legal expenses
- activities that promote religious ministry or political purposes
- medical expenses
- public services that are the responsibility of central government e.g. core education, health etc.
- physical works – before the appropriate consents have been obtained
- purchase of alcohol.

Please see the full Community Grants Policy on the website for further details.