



Ōtara- Papatoetoe Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024



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Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024

Our Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable community grants to local communities.

Outcomes sought from the local grants programme

Our grants programme is aligned to be targeted towards supporting the following outcomes and objectives, as outlined in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Plan 2020 and these determine the board’s local community grant priorities.

Transform Manukau	Manukau metropolitan centre is the thriving heart of our area – an attractive visitor destination, business centre and place to shop, live, learn, work and play
Prosperous local economy	Our lively town centres drive sustainable economic development and attract investors and visitors. Youth and our community have many opportunities to gain skills and employment that result in a high standard of living.
A thriving, inclusive and safe community	Our community is connected across different cultures, has a sense of belonging and is proud of our area. People feel welcome and safe, they support each other, and have better access to transport.
Parks and facilities that meet our people’s needs	Our parks and facilities are fit for purpose and reflect the communities they serve, building a sense of identity, ownership and pride in the area while boosting participation and promoting a healthy lifestyle
Sustainable, healthy natural environment	We care for our natural environment and foster sustainable lifestyles. Our waterways and environment are healthy and free from pests, litter and pollution. We value our natural world and preserve kaitiakitanga locally.
Connected area and easy to get around	Everyone can easily and safely get around on foot, bicycle, bus, train and car.

Our priorities for grants

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board welcomes grants applications that align with one or more of the following local board plan priorities:

Transform Manukau

- Transform Manukau through good planning and sustainable development

Prosperous local economy

- Revitalising Ōtara and Papatoetoe town centres
- Creating events to showcase and attract people to the area
- Prioritising Māori outcomes
- Promoting and encouraging sustainable practices in local business and enterprise

A thriving, inclusive and safe community

- Recognising and making Māori and Pacific arts, culture and history visible in public places
- Promoting health and wellbeing to build capable and resilient communities with a sense of belonging
- An active and engaged community, leading local initiatives
- Increase opportunities for skill development, employment
- Encouraging rangatahi, young people and seniors to take part in civic life

Parks and facilities that meet our people's needs

- Celebrate a thriving Māori identity as Auckland's point of difference in the world
- Minimising waste going into landfill

Sustainable, healthy natural environment

- Minimising waste going into landfill
- Restoring biodiversity and improving water quality in local streams, the Manukau Harbour, and the Tāmaki Estuary
- Increasing the tree canopy cover in our area
- Promoting and enhancing sustainable practices by local businesses, families and neighbourhoods

Connected area and easy to get around

- Promotion of safe cycling and pedestrian environments

Higher Priority

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board will prioritise applications that align to the healthy environment principles including:

- Promoting safe neighbourhoods, active living in family friendly places and events that are:
 - smoke and vape free, alcohol and drug free
 - zero-waste
 - promoting healthy options for food and drink, including water as the first choice
 - promotion of active lifestyles
- Applications from residents and community groups residing in, or where there are large numbers of the members of organisations who are from /based in Ōtara-Papatoetoe
- Applications that prioritise positive outcomes for mana whenua
- Projects or activities which reduce and address the impact of climate change

Lower Priorities

We will also consider applications for other services, projects, events and activities. However, these may be considered a lower priority.

- Ticketed events, commercial events or events that promote a brand or company

- The purchase of assets, gear and equipment with limited future use or wider benefit to the community
- Feasibility studies, need analysis, project plan development.
- Applicant is not making any financial contribution of their own to the project
- Applicant has not considered other sources of funding for their project
- Applicant has the capacity to access funding from other sources
- In principle, salaries are not funded, however the board may consider project facilitator fees as one-off costs subject to the purpose of the project

In addition to the eligibility criteria outlined in the Community Grants Policy, the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board will not fund:

- Applicants who failed to provide accountability report from a previous funding allocation
- Applicants who provided unsatisfactory accountability forms from a previous funding allocation
- Requests for wages or salaries

Investment approach

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board has allocated budgets to support the local grants programme as follows:

- Quick Response Local Grants:
 - Minimum amount per grant: \$500
 - Maximum amount per grant: \$2,000
- Local Grants:
 - Minimum amount per grant: \$2,000
- Excellence Grants:
 - Maximum amount per grant: \$2,000
- Revitalising Town Centres Programme Grants:
 - Minimum amount per grant: \$5,000
 - Maximum amount per grant: \$50,000

Accountability measures

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board requires all successful applicants to:

- provide information on how the project contributed to local board priorities and outcomes
- extend to the local board chairperson an invitation to the funded project, programme, activity or event where appropriate
- meet council standard financial accountability requirements

Application Dates

Table 1 – Quick Response

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	11 September 2023	13 October 2023	21 November 2023	1 December 2023
Round two	15 January 2024	16 February 2024	19 March 2024	1 April 2024

Table 2 – Local Grants

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	17 July 2023	1 September 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023
Round two	12 February 2024	28 March 2024	21 May 2024	1 June 2024

Table 3 – Multi-board funding

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	10 July 2023	25 August 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023
Round two	12 February 2024	28 March 2024	21 May 2024	1 June 2024

Revitalising Town Centres Programme Expressions of Interest

The call for Expressions of Interests have been cancelled for 2023/2024 financial year. Please apply to the other grants for funding.

Excellence Award

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board set up the Pursuit of Excellence Award to:

- support local residents and organisations who will represent the area to demonstrate their outstanding achievements in their chosen field
- recognise and celebrate the contributions of the local applicants

The award aims to:

- increase the profile and image of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area
- assist applicants to build their capacity in serving the community
- promote diverse participation in local government and civic life
- foster the development of a sustainable workforce for local industry and surrounds
- strengthen the development of community unity in Ōtara-Papatoetoe

You can apply anytime within the grant year, though certain times of the year there may be delays (over the Christmas holidays, between financial years and during the local board election period)

Funding priorities

We welcome grant applications that align to the following priorities:

- promoting economic development in the town centres and strengthening their roles as community hubs
- celebrating the heritage and cultural diversity of our communities
- building capacity and empowerment in the community
- promoting sustainable practices and reducing waste

Types of projects funded by the grant

- Arts
- Community
- Environment
- Events

