



Devonport Takapuna Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024



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

Outcomes sought from the local grants programme

Our grants programme will be targeted towards supporting the following outcomes, as outlined in our local board plan:

- Environment and heritage
- Parks, facilities, and open spaces
- Community participation and wellbeing
- Opportunity, prosperity, and growth
- Māori values ngā tikanga a te Māori

Our priorities for grants

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board welcomes grant applications that align with the following local board plan priorities:

Note: these priorities relate to the local board initiatives as outlined in the local board plan.

- Our natural environment, heritage features and cultural taonga are celebrated, protected, and enhanced.
- Support our sports clubs and recreation facilities
- Our parks, sports fields, community facilities, beaches and open spaces are well maintained to meet the recreation and social needs of our growing population
- Our communities, including mana whenua, feel connected and supported to plan, deliver, and participate in activities and services in their local area
- Our vibrant town centres attract and support new and existing businesses, and give locals and visitors opportunities to work, shop and play
- Our unique Māori history, values and stories are told, celebrated, and embedded into our area

Note: All applicants are expected to outline in their application how their project will contribute to at least one of the outcomes outlined in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan.

Higher priority

- community match fund (groups who demonstrate that 40% of project costs have already been met, including the approximate value provided by volunteer contribution to projects, events and /or initiatives)
- projects that demonstrate smokefree, vape-free, and zero waste programmes.
- new and innovative projects/activities to support the delivery of the outcomes and priorities

identified in the Local Board grant programme.

- projects that are inclusive and support under-represented members of the community.
- projects/activities with Maori outcomes.
- projects and events with wide community benefit.
- initiatives that promote climate resilience, sustainability, and environmental activities in our communities.

Lower priorities

- event management costs
- groups and/or activities taking place outside the local board area, unless the applicant can clearly demonstrate the benefit to local board members.
- coaching and training.
- applicants who have already had one successful Devonport-Takapuna Local Board contestable grant application.

Exclusions

In addition to the eligibility criteria outlined in Auckland Council's overarching Community Grants Policy, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board will not fund:

- wages and salaries for ongoing administration with the exception of fees for professional and specialised services.
- events which clearly benefit the region rather than just the local area, and which can, therefore, apply for regional or central government grants.
- retrospective costs, unless this is necessary as a condition of the grant, or the local board is satisfied that there are mitigating circumstances.
- groups which have failed to meet accountability obligations from previous Council grants will not be funded except in exceptional circumstance, and/or by stipulating that completing accountability is a condition of grant payment.
- gifts/prizes.
- initiatives that are eligible and can be funded by central government.
- applicants are ineligible to apply for the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board contestable grants if they have had two successful grant applications within the current financial year.
- applications towards alcohol or liquor licenses.
- projects and activities in schools and churches unless a plan on how the project will be open to the wider community or benefit to the wider community can be demonstrated.
- permitting fees.
- travel and accommodation unless there is strong evidence of benefit to the community.

- applications that require commitment to ongoing funding or financial support.
- catering
- commercial events or events that promote a brand or company.

Applicants with no formal legal structure

Applicants with no formal legal structure may apply for grants of up to \$1,000 through the local board grants programme; however, the board expects to see evidence from the group indicating community support for the activity and its objectives.

Investment approach

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

- Local Grants and Multi-board Grants
 - Minimum and Maximum amount per grant: \$500 to \$8,000

Application dates

Grant rounds for 2023/2024 will be as follows:

Local Grants

2023/2024 grant rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	10 July 2023	25 August 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023
Round two	22 January 2024	1 March 2024	16 April 2024	1 May 2024

Multi-board Grants

In principle, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board supports multi-board applications and will consider them on a case-by-case basis.

Multiboard grant round	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round One	3 July 2023	1 September 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023
Round Two	15 January 2024	15 March 2024	16 April 2024	1 May 2024

Accountability measures

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board requires that all successful applicants provide:

- evidence that the use of the funds matched their application.
- evidence that the project or event has delivered set outcomes/objective
- a completed accountability form within two months of project completion
- the contribution of the local board is acknowledged in all publicity and signage
- any events funded or partially funded by the local board are to be smoke-free

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board also encourage successful grant applicants to invite their Local Board members to activities and events if possible.

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