

Marlborough District Council

Grants and Funding



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Introduction

Marlborough District Council recognises the important contribution made by community organisations to the overall wellbeing of Marlborough and its residents. To help organisations benefit the wider community, Marlborough District Council makes funds available through:

- Marlborough District Council Community Grants: one-off funding for not-for-profit organisations which demonstrates benefit to the Marlborough community
 - Creative Communities NZ Scheme: Local arts funding, supporting art and cultural activities that increase participation
 - Working for Nature/Mahi mō te Taiao: funding for restoring and protecting native habitats, including weed and pest control for animals and plants threatening native wildlife
 - Community Event Funding: contestable funding to help support the delivery of quality, innovative community events
 - Commercial Events Fund: Supporting events that showcase our region's attributes and act as catalysts for community well-being, economic growth, increased visitation and civic pride.
 - Mānawatia te Kahui o Matariki Fund / Marlborough Matariki Event Fund:
 - The contestable fund aims to support the community in hosting events that recognise not only Te Rā Aro ki a Matariki, the public holiday, but also the wider Kaupapa and principles of Matariki.
- Te Tauihu Regional Events Fund: Aims to stimulate our economy by driving visitation through events that support and leverage local industry strengths whilst celebrating our community, building excellence in event management and minimising event waste.
 - Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund: encouraging children and youth participation in local sports competition for those in rural areas
 - Sport and Recreation Funding: available to local clubs and organisations to help create small sport and community activities that are of low cost to participants and encourage involvement and physical activity
 - Youth Council funding: allocated by Marlborough Youth Council to promote youth friendly activities and events
 - Small Townships Programme – Community Project Fund: For small low-cost (up to approx. \$20,000) projects in outdoor public spaces that improve public amenities and build identities for

townships.

- Waiving of fees: to assist non-profit organisations to reduce costs when developing facilities for community, social, recreational and cultural needs or undertaking community projects

This booklet has been put together to provide more detailed information about each of these funding streams. It is important to note the first step in considering applying for funding is to thoroughly read the criteria of each fund. Also be aware of timeframes regarding funding rounds opening and closing as late applications are not able to be considered. It is strongly advised you do not leave it until the final days to submit your application, early applications can be reviewed by staff and if required additional information sought to help strengthen your application.

Many of the Council funds are accessed via an online application form which can be accessed once a funding round is open and hence making the application 'live'.

It is recommended you create an organisational login for all funding applications and accountabilities using a generic email address which others in your organisation can access. A record of all previous applications and accountabilities are saved under this login.

Accounting for a grant is a critical part the process and expected to be completed on time. This requirement of Council is also an opportunity to celebrate the project and benefit provided to the community. Please provide financial verification as well as details relating to what was achieved.

It is hoped this booklet will be a helpful tool in preparing your grant application. In addition, grant clinics are held by Council staff to assist in answering any questions and offering advice on your project. Staff are also available via email (with the exception of 5 days prior to a grant round closing, staff are unable to provide advice due to processing received grant applications).



Community

Community Grants

Purpose

Council acknowledges the contribution of not for profit organisations in providing essential services which assist in developing the community at large. Council's role is to add value to the ability of the volunteer sector to thrive and respond to community needs by providing funding assistance.

Sectors eligible for funding

Council will consider requests for funding from community organisations providing services in the following categories in no order of priority:

- Arts & Culture
- Community Welfare and Social Services
- Heritage
- Sport and Recreation

Each application is considered on its merits using the criteria set out below with decisions made in the best interests of the local community.

Who can apply?

Organisations wanting to apply for funding assistance must meet the following criteria:

- Be a not for profit organisation
- Provide services to the wider community

or specific sectors in the community

- Be able to supply verified Annual Accounts
- Provide verification of charitable status (if applicable)
- Account for expenditure of funds specifically for grant received (this will affect eligibility for any future grants)
- There must be a monetary contribution from the applicant towards the cost of the activity applied for. This can be from own funds or grants from other sources
- Regional/national organisations can apply on behalf of a Marlborough group but must provide Marlborough specific costs and benefits.

Maximum grant allocation

Due to demand for funds, grants will be allocated to a maximum of \$10,000 per application.

What can't be funded

- Large scale capital expenditure or projects (this fund is design for small grants)
- New buildings or extension/s to current buildings
- Landscaping and carparks

- Debt Servicing
- Conventions, conferences, reunions and tournaments
- School based curriculum programmes
- Retrospective funding
- All travel or costs associated with events outside of Marlborough including overseas travel.
- Projects that have already received Council funding including through contracts and partnership agreements for the same activity
- Floor coverings excluding mats
- Food and catering
- Fundraising events
- Projects which fit within the new environment fund

What can be funded?

- One application per organisation per year can be considered for funding.
- Partnership projects can be applied for by an umbrella organisation – applicants must be not for profit.
- An organisation can make an application of their own as well as being the umbrella organisation for a partnership project.
- Projects must be of direct benefit to people of the Marlborough district.

- Activity that can be considered for funding include:
 - Small operating grants up to \$5,000 (organisations already receiving a Council operating grant excluded)
 - Funding for unforeseen circumstances
 - Furniture and fittings – items that can be removed from the facility and not become a building asset
 - Equipment
 - Seed funding for new projects/ programmes
 - Volunteer expenses
 - Repairs and maintenance for community facilities
 - Training/workshops with a community development focus that are open to the public
 - Consultancy fees towards activities such as feasibility studies or engineers reports for community projects.
 - Community events (excluding fundraising) that are not already funded via the other Council Event funding streams.
 - Projects that promote sustainable use and enjoyment of Marlborough arts and heritage resources.
 - Projects that establish closer

linkages between arts, heritage and regional promotion and development.

Application process and allocation of funds

Council Community Grants will be allocated by Council's Grants Committee and their recommendations considered by Full Council. Projects should not have commenced before the date of the Committee meeting to be eligible for funding (excluding requests for small operating grants).

All applications must be made on Council's online application form so that all organisations are meeting the same requirements for supplying information for consideration.

NOTE: Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Council's decision on all allocation of funds will be final.

For the latest funding round dates visit our website, link below.


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Creative

Creative Communities Scheme

Purpose

The purpose of the scheme is to support and encourage local communities to create and present diverse opportunities for accessing and participating in arts activities within their specific geographical area, as well as for defined communities of interest.

Sectors eligible for funding

To be eligible for funding through CCS your arts project must support at least one of the following:

- Access and participation: Create opportunities for local communities to engage with, and participate in local arts activities, eg:
 - performances by community choirs, hip-hop groups, theatre companies or poets
 - workshops on printmaking, writing, dancing or other creative forms
 - exhibitions by local craft groups promoting weaving, pottery and carving
 - festivals featuring local artists
 - creation of a community film or a public artwork by a community
 - development of new tukutuku, whakairo or kōwhaiwhai for a local marae
- Diversity: Support the diverse artistic cultural traditions of local communities, eg:
 - workshops, rehearsals, performances, festivals or exhibitions in Māori or Pasifika heritage art forms
 - workshops, rehearsals, performances, festivals or exhibitions by local migrant communities
 - arts projects bringing together groups from a range of different communities
 - workshops, rehearsals, performances, festivals or exhibitions by groups with experience of disability or mental illness.
- Young people: Enable young people (under 18 years) to engage with, and participate in the arts, eg:
 - a group of young people working with an artist to create a mural or street art
 - a group of young people creating a film about an issue that is important
- artist residencies involving local artists or communities
- seminars for local artist development.

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- printing a collection of writing by young people
- music workshops for young people
- an exhibition of visual art work by young people

Your project must:

- take place within the city or district where the application is made
- be completed within 12 months of funding being approved
- not have started or finished before CCS funding is approved

Who can apply?

Individuals or groups can apply for CCS funding. Individuals must be New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.

If you have already received funding from CCS for a project, you must complete a report on that project before making another application, unless the project is still in progress.

Maximum grant allocation

There is no limit to how much you can apply for, but most CCS grants tend to be under \$2,000. Look at previously funded projects on your council website (or speak to your local CCS administrator) to get an idea of the sorts of projects that have been supported in the past and the average amount granted.

What can't be funded

You cannot apply for CCS funding for:

- projects without an arts focus, eg puzzles, upholstery, magic, model-making, commercial design, commercial fashion design, film festivals, fitness-based dance (such as aerobics or gymnastics or martial arts such as tai chi or karate)
- projects within the scope of other sectors or organisations, e.g. arts projects in schools or other educational institutions that are the core business of that institution or are normally funded through curriculum or operating budgets
- projects that mainly deliver outcomes for other sectors, such as health, heritage or the environment
- local council projects
- fundraising activities e.g.: benefit concerts to raise funds to buy a capital item or to pay for another activity
- projects to develop facilities, eg galleries, marae, theatres and other venues, including the costs of fixed items, whiteware, floor coverings, furnishings, gallery and theatre lights, stage curtains or building restoration. CCS funding is available for new artworks as part of marae projects such as tukutuku, whakairo, whāriki and kōwhaiwhai, however applications for funding for marae facilities or restoration projects should be made to the Lottery

Marae Heritage and Facilities Fund, which is administered by the Lottery Grants Board.

What can be funded?

You can apply for support for:

- materials for arts activities or programmes
- venue or equipment hire
- personnel and administrative costs for short-term projects
- promotion and publicity of arts activities

Application process and allocation of funds

Marlborough Creative Communities Scheme will be allocated by Council's Grants Committee and their recommendations considered by Full Council. Projects should not have commenced before the date of the Committee meeting to be eligible for funding.

The CCS application guidelines can be downloaded from the website link below.

All applications must be made on Council's online application form so that all organisations are meeting the same requirements for supplying information for consideration.

NOTE: Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Council's decision on all allocation of funds will be final.

For the latest funding round dates visit the website link below.

Accounting for your grant

Accountability for funding received needs to be provided by grants recipients to be eligible for future funding. The Creative Communities Scheme Project Completion Report can be found under 'grant applications' on our online services page.


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Environment

Working for Nature/Mahi mō te Taiao

Purpose

In September 2020, Marlborough District Council made it easier for the community to restore and protect native habitats through the creation of a new grant scheme: Working for Nature/Mahi mō te Taiao. This \$111,500 annual scheme will consider projects that protect and restore native habitats, and promote positive environmental outcomes.

This grant scheme is just one of the many biodiversity and environmental programmes run by the Council to celebrate the wide range of flora and fauna that is found in the region. Marlborough has been identified as one of five centres of biodiversity in New Zealand due to the concentration of endemic species (found only within New Zealand). The southern part of Marlborough is home to species that have evolved in the dry, rocky conditions whereas the northern region offers a spectacular collection of forests, wetlands, and coastal habitats.

This grant scheme encourages community-led participation and collaboration. By working together, we can create enduring outcomes to restore and protect native biodiversity in our region.

Eligibility

One application per category is permitted annually from community organisations, businesses, landowners (including farming,

forestry, winegrowing) and individuals. Previously successful applicants are eligible to apply for another phase of the project, not maintenance from a previous planting.

Registered community groups or community trusts operating multi-year projects have access to applying for multi-year funding through the grant, up to the designated category maximum per year.

Assessment

All projects must comply with the terms and conditions. Applications will be assessed based on benefits to a healthy environment, project viability, level of collaboration from outside sources, ongoing maintenance for the project, and how well the project aligns with the goals of the grant scheme guidelines, provided below. Favourable consideration will be given to applications where at least half of a project's funding has been secured from other sources.

Habitat Marlborough: These projects will restore native habitats and improve biodiversity and freshwater quality. The focus would be on planting areas where there is little native vegetation, as well as waterway and wetland margins with grants of up to \$10,000 per applicant in any one year.

Protecting Marlborough: These projects control animal and plant pests that are

threatening native wildlife and habitats. Grants are up to \$15,000 per applicant in any one year.

Environmental Advocacy: These projects will target initiatives that will promote environmental awareness within the wider community. Grants within this category are up to \$2,000 per applicant in any one year.

Guidelines

In addition to the terms and conditions, the following guidelines will be considered when assessing applications, including what can and cannot be funded:

- A joint funding arrangement is preferred, cash or in-kind contributions, and/or collaboration from outside sources.
- Where pest control is part of the application, preference will be given to those that demonstrate ongoing and sustainable environmental or economic outcomes.
- Where plantings are part of the application, preference will be given to those that demonstrate funds are used directly for plants and establishing habitats.
- Projects undertaken on land not owned by the applicant will require written consent from the landowner, ensuring an ongoing support of the project on the land parcel into the future.
- Applications must provide evidence towards long-term, ongoing viability for

the project.

What can be funded

- Projects on public, private or Māori land.
- Purchase of native plant species.
- Plant guards and stakes for native plantings.
- Pest traps and other pest management devices.
- Weed control chemicals.
- Fencing materials.
- Professional ecological and technical advice, including studies.
- Co-ordination of community-led environmental projects.
- Contract labour, such as weed spraying.
- Annual applications to expand plantings (not maintenance).
- Individual projects within larger, multi-year programmes of work.
- Production of informative signage.
- Supporting community workshops.

What can't be funded?

- Beautification projects that do not provide a substantial contribution to biodiversity.
- Personal or existing staff labour costs.
- Weed control equipment (e.g.,

chainsaws, scrub bars, etc.)

- Exotic plants or native plants not naturally found in the Marlborough region.
- Work that is required as a condition of a resource consent or mitigation, subdivision consent, entitlement application, or other legal requirement.
- Maintenance of previously awarded grants.
- Projects that interfere with floodway requirements, such as planting on stopbanks.
- Single projects that have already received establishment funding from Marlborough District Council or other funding body.
- Work completed prior to grant approval, including past purchases.

Preparing to apply

Should your project fit the criteria of the Working for Nature grant, the following pieces of information can help provide a complete picture of what you are looking to achieve. This will in turn help the sub-committee make an informed decision when determining which projects are to be supported, and should be considered the minimum documentation within the application.

- Quote(s) for work or goods to verify cost.

- Planting plan, trapline placement etc. (e.g., number and species of plants)
- Map showing the project area.
- Letter of support by landowner (if applicable). Please note that public land will require written support by either Council or DOC.

Grant accountability

Accountability for funding received needs to be provided by grant recipients to be eligible for future funding. An accountability form will need to be completed and returned once the money is spent.

Terms and Conditions

- Projects must be of direct benefit to people of the Marlborough district and take place within Marlborough.
- Each application is considered based on its merits.
- Landowners can provide labour but work must be carried out to the standards in the South Marlborough and North Marlborough planting guides.
- View the South Marlborough planting guide: <https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/environment/biodiversity/biodiversity-publications-and-reports/planting-guide-south-marlborough>
- View the North Marlborough planting guide: <https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/environment/biodiversity/biodiversity-publications-and-reports/planting-guide-north-marlborough>

[north-marlborough](#)

- All plantings must consist of native plants grown from a suitable local sourced seed or plant material.
- Applicants are responsible for ordering plants within a reasonable timeframe after grant approval, which ensures timely planting and reduces risk of delays due to shortages.
- The applicant is responsible for ongoing maintenance of plantings, including watering and weeding.
- The applicant will be required to supply photos to Council immediately after planting and again 12 months later.
- Plantings will be completed within the specified time period, maintained according to good husbandry practices, and protected for a minimum of five years.
- Council staff (or contractors) may inspect the plantings annually, provided they notify the landowner a minimum of five working days prior.
- Details of funded plantings will be included in the Marlborough District Council's Geographic Information System (GIS) database of plantings, which is available for public viewing.
- GIS information may be anonymously aggregated and provided to Government agencies to help understand the extent of environmental

rehabilitation in the region.

- Photos, project names and details may be used for promotional purposes for the scheme.


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Events

Community Events Fund

Purpose

Marlborough District Council recognises the importance of events, how they celebrate and showcase our region's attributes and how they act as catalysts for community well-being and civic pride. To help support the delivery of quality, innovative community events Council has established an annual contestable fund.

This Fund is open year-round (or until funds are fully allocated) to enable applicants to apply as event opportunities arise.

Eligibility & Criteria

Applications will be considered on its merits using the process and criteria set out below with decisions made in the best interest of the Marlborough community. Priority may be given to new events or existing events looking to grow.

Applications

- Will be accepted from Marlborough community groups, organisations and individuals. Individuals must have New Zealand citizen or permanent resident status
- Must show a monetary contribution to the event (either from their own funds or externally sourced) and will not be solely reliant on funding from Marlborough District Council

- Must comply with all Marlborough District Council regulatory and statutory requirements relating to the preparation and delivery of the event, including obtaining all necessary permits and consents

Events must:

- Take place within Marlborough District Council boundaries
- Promote Marlborough and engage the community
- Be of direct benefit to the Marlborough community and support its cultural, social, economic and environmental well-being
- Create opportunities to build and celebrate community pride and for our communities to connect and celebrate our regional diversity
- Promote community support and involvement and strengthen partnerships and participation
- Be free entry or low cost, family-friendly and accessible to all
- Complement Marlborough's calendar and not detract from / compete with existing events
- Procure goods and services locally where possible

- Have the potential for growth
- Demonstrate plans to work towards financial sustainability
- Demonstrate sustainable practices

How much can be funded?

- There will be no maximum that can be applied for. However, it is likely events will be supported by \$2,000 - \$3,000
- Multi-year applications will not be accepted and events will need to re-apply if they wish to receive future funding
- Underwrites could be considered with funding paid post-event following evidence of P&L report

What can be funded?

The fund will support costs integral to holding an event, which includes, but is not limited to, venue hire; equipment hire e.g. seating, marquees, sound and lighting; marketing and promotion; health & safety; insurance; transport management and hospitality costs.

What can't be funded?

- Retrospective funding
- Prizes / Trophies
- Alcohol
- Private functions
- Events of a political nature

- Events promoting a religious doctrine
- Events that denigrate, exclude or offend any part of the community
- Commercial events, exhibitions, reunions, tournaments, fundraisers, conventions or trade shows
- Events that have received funding for the same activity through other Marlborough District Council funding programmes

Important Notes

- Applications will be reviewed by Council's Regional Events Advisor and assessed by the Chair of the Economic, Finance and Community Committee and the Community Events Portfolio Holder
- Funding recipients will need to complete a full post-event accountability report via Council's website within two months of the event taking place


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Commercial Events Fund

Purpose

Marlborough District Council recognises the importance of commercial events, how they celebrate and showcase our region's attributes and act as important catalysts for community well-being, economic growth, increased visitation and civic pride. They make Marlborough a great place to live, work and play. To help support the delivery of these events in the Marlborough region, Council has established the Commercial Events Fund. This fund is open to any event managers/organisers that run commercial events in New Zealand and supports the goals outlined in the Marlborough Regional Events Strategy.

Eligibility and criteria

Applications will be considered on its merits and against a criteria framework that will guide decision-making. This framework is applied in a flexible manner to recognise the benefits of Marlborough's event portfolio as a whole.

Event must be held within the Marlborough District Council boundaries. Community events, conferences, conventions, trade shows and exhibitions are not eligible for funding through the Commercial Events Fund.

Notes

- Annual contestable fund with two

funding rounds per annum

- Whilst funding is available on an annual basis, it does not mean that all funds must be distributed each year
- Events are able to be funded for a maximum of three consecutive years, at a decreasing scale
- Annual funding budget includes Council's Bid Fund which is used to attract potential events to the region as opportunities arise. These opportunities are considered on a case-by-case basis
- The annual budget also includes a \$10,000 discretionary fund for events that meet the funding criteria but that are organised outside of the main funding rounds and often at short notice
- Applications must be made online via Council's website
- An Events Sub-Committee made up of Marlborough District Council Councillors and the General Manager of Destination Marlborough evaluate applications and make final decisions and recommendations
- The Sub-Committee have delegated authority to approve all funding requests and will report decisions to the Economic, Finance and Community Committee

Grant accountability

All events receiving funding must complete a post-event accountability report within three months of the event taking place.


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Mānawatia te Kahui o Matariki Fund / Marlborough Matariki Event Fund

Purpose

Mānawatia te Kahui o Matariki Fund celebrates and supports the regeneration of mātauranga associated with Te Kāhui o Matariki. The contestable fund aims to support the community in hosting events that recognise not only Te Rā Aro ki a Matariki, the public holiday, but also the wider Kaupapa and principles of Matariki.

There will be no maximum that can be applied for. However, it is likely events will be supported by \$2,000 - \$3,000.

Applications:

- Will be accepted from Marlborough community groups, organisations and individuals. Individuals must have New Zealand citizen or permanent resident status
 - Must show a monetary contribution to the event (either from their own funds or externally sourced) and will not be solely reliant on funding from Marlborough District Council
 - Must comply with all Marlborough District Council regulatory and statutory requirements relating to the preparation and delivery of the event, including obtaining all necessary permits and consents
- Must demonstrate how funding would advance and promote one or more of the three major principles of Matariki:
 - Priority will be given to events that can demonstrate documented support from iwi

Events must:

- Take place within Marlborough District Council boundaries
- Take place within the observance of Matariki
- Be free entry or low cost, family-friendly and accessible to all
- Are open to public (no private or 'invite only' events)
- Complement Marlborough's calendar and not detract from / compete with existing events
- Agree to be part of Marlborough's regional Matariki programme promoted by Marlborough District Council
- Be promoted via Marlborough's official regional events calendar, Follow Me
- Procure goods and services locally where possible

What can be funded?

The fund will support costs integral to holding an event, which includes, but is not limited to, venue hire; equipment hire e.g. seating, marquees, sound and lighting; marketing and promotion; health & safety, insurance; transport management and hospitality costs.

What can't be funded?

- Retrospective funding
- Prizes / Trophies
- Alcohol
- Private functions
- Events promoting a religious doctrine
- Commercial events, exhibitions, reunions, tournaments, fundraisers, conventions or trade shows
- Events that have received funding for the same activity through other Marlborough District Council funding programmes

Application process

Applications will be considered by a decision-making panel chaired by Councillor Jonathan Rosene.

Grant accountability

All recipients of the Mānawatia te Kahui o Matariki Fund will need to complete a full post-event accountability report via Council's website within two months of the event taking place.

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Te Taihu Regional Events Fund (MBIE)

Purpose

In September 2020, the New Zealand Government announced a \$50m Regional Events Fund to support the tourism and event sectors in response to Covid-19's impact on international tourism. The fund is intended to stimulate domestic tourism and travel between regions through the hosting of events with the aim of replacing some of the expenditure usually generated by international visitors.

\$1.5m of the funding has been allocated to the Marlborough, Nelson and Tasman regions for the creation of the Te Taihu Regional Events Fund to facilitate and fund events until 30 June 2025. This fund aims to stimulate the Te Taihu economy by driving visitation through events that support and leverage local industry strengths. It will also focus on celebrating our community, building excellence in event management and minimising event waste.

Expressions of Interest are open now and event organisers are invited to apply online through Marlborough District Council's website. Expressions of Interest will be reviewed by Council's Regional Events Advisor and Destination Marlborough's General Manager.

For more information on the Fund and its

criteria please refer to the FAQ section on Council's website via the link below.

Grant accountability

Funding recipients will need to complete a full post-event accountability report within two months of their event taking place.


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Sports

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

Purpose

The purpose of the fund is to encourage youth (5 to 18 years) participation in local sports competition for those in rural areas.

All applications must be made on Council's online application form so that all organisations are meeting the same requirements for supplying information for consideration.

Please ensure you read the guideline document for information about eligibility prior to making your application.

Note the following points for funding criteria:

- The funding is not to be provided for the purpose of travel to regional or national events or to practice sessions.
- Applicants must contribute 50% of the total cost to be eligible.
- The Grants Committee have set the per kilometre rate at 50 cents to allow equity for all applications.
- Funding is not available to individuals.
- Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Who is eligible?

The following criteria apply when the TAs consider applications for funding (along

with any other criteria that the Authority considers appropriate):

- Teams - Applications to the RTF are available to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams within the listed TA regions below that consist of members aged between 5 and 18 years.
- Travel - The types of eligible travel covered by the RTF include: Rural school club teams or rural sports club teams participating in regular local competition outside of school time

Not covered by the fund

The following are not eligible for the RTF:

- Rural school or club teams located outside of the named TAs outlined below
- Individual players, coaches or officials
- Teams not participating in regular, organised, local competition
- Rural school club teams competing in inter-school or intra-school competition during school time
- Teams travelling to regional or national sport competitions

Grant accountability

Accountability for funding received needs to be provided by grants recipients to be

eligible for future funding. The following form is required to be completed and returned for every grant allocated.


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Sport and Recreation Community Activity Fund

Purpose

The Sport and Recreation Community Activity Fund is open to event organisers or local clubs and organisations to help create small sport and community activities that are of low cost to participants and that encourage and promote involvement, accessibility and physical activity. Examples of potential applications could be:

- A youth organisation organising a fun day
- An event organiser wanting to create a new family-friendly, low cost component to an existing event
- Seed funding for a new activity

Notes

- Annual contestable fund with \$30,000 available for allocation
- One funding round per annum - applications open in March and close in April each year
- The activity must be held within the Marlborough District Council boundaries
- Funding is available on an annual basis but funds do not have to be fully distributed each year

- Applications are considered by a decision-making panel chaired by the Assets & Services Committee Chair
- Applications must be made online via Marlborough District Council's website - <https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/recreation/events/sport-and-recreation-community-activity-fund>

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Youth



Youth Council Fund

Purpose

The Marlborough District Council allocates an annual budget to the Youth Council to allocate. The purpose is to support and increase youth participation in activities and events, as identified by youth themselves.

Criteria

- Proposed events, projects and activities need to have a strong youth focus
- The activities need to take place in the Marlborough region
- Funding is not available to replace education or health provided by Government (or organisations funded for these services by Government)
- Evidence is needed that youth have been part of the idea or planning of the funding request
- A separate small fund is available to support Marlborough youth selected to represent New Zealand and are competing or performing internationally, where cost is a barrier.
- Youth Council require acknowledgement of funding and their logo is provided for any promotion. There is also an expectation events which receive youth funding are listed on Follow-Me and Youth Council social media.

How to Access

A request in writing needs to be made to Marlborough Youth Council via an application form. The form can be obtained by emailing jodie.griffiths@marlborough.govt.nz. Applicants are also welcome to present to Youth Council (to support the completed application form).

Requests are then considered at the next Youth Council meeting (meetings are held once per month) and the decision on all applications will be made by Youth Council.

Accountability

All funding must be accounted for via the online accountability form, within one month of completing the event or project. Funding recipients are also able to report back in person at a future Youth Council meeting.


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Small Townships

The Community Projects Fund

Purpose

Council allocates a percentage of the annual Small Townships budget (around \$75,000) for small, low cost infrastructure projects on outdoor public spaces.

Any organisation or group that represents a small township or community in Marlborough can apply. This does not include Blenheim and Picton/Waikawa whose projects are funded differently, or townships that are on the Small Townships Programme.

Criteria

The criteria that will be used to assess the applications will be whether the project:

- Improves an outdoor public space
- Includes a high level of community involvement and support
- Is able to be completed within one year

Best meets the objectives of the programme to:

- Design a liveable town with an attractive central space
- Allow freedom of movement, connectivity and accessibility
- Strengthen a sense of place and unique local identity

- Enhance the use, enjoyment and pride in outdoor public spaces.

Applications are considered by the Small Township Programme sub-committee. For the latest funding round dates visit the website link below.


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Waiver of fees

Purpose

The waiving of building consent, resource consent and transfer station fees is an acknowledged way for Council to assist non-profit organisations to reduce costs when developing facilities for community, social, recreation and cultural needs.

Criteria

Organisations can review each of the Policies Council have for fee waivers. However below is a summary of the key points:

- The maximum level that can be claimed per application is set at \$1,500 for Building and Resource Consents.
- Eligible organisations can receive assistance once per annum.
- Applicants must be a not for profit organisation.

- The facility or activity must be of community benefit and not commercial gain.
- Projects on private land can be considered from individuals where the activity has significant community value and evidence of this is verified.

How to Access

A request in writing needs to be made to Council seeking a waiver of fees. This is then emailed to jodie.griffiths@marlborough.govt.nz

The request must include details of the organisation and the facility or activity the waiving of fees has been requested for. Decision on applications will be considered on a case by case basis by Council staff.

Notes:

