

Whau Local Board Grants Programme 2019/2020

Our Local 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 achieving the following outcomes, as outlined in our local board plan:

- Well-planned towns, facilities and housing
- Great neighbourhoods with strong community connections, capacity and voices
- It's 20 minutes to all we need by walking, cycling and public transport
- Enhanced natural environment
- Strong local businesses and more quality local jobs
- Celebrating our creative edge in our streets, neighbourhoods and communities
- Our heritage is known, protected and our stories are shared

Our priorities for grants

The Whau Local Board welcomes grant applications that align with one or more of the following priorities and deliver initiatives and activities to achieve the Whau Local Board plan.

Well-planned towns, facilities and housing

- Our towns and neighbourhood centres are busier, cleaner and safer
- Whau has a network of great community buildings, sports fields and parks
- More people are more active more often

Great neighbourhoods with strong community connections, capacity and voices

- Our towns and neighbourhood communities are stronger
- Māori leaders, Pasifika, Chinese, Indian and other ethnic and resettled communities contribute to the Whau's future
- Our children and young people are supported to learn and be active
- Mana whenua and mataawaka are acknowledged and their needs and aspirations are widely known
- Celebrate our diverse communities and their heritages
- Our most in need have a place to go for help

It's 20 minutes to all we need by walking, cycling and public transport

- Increase awareness of our local links

Enhanced natural environment

- The water quality of our rivers and streams is improving
- More of our parks, coasts and waterways are being restored
- Whau is living more sustainably
- Know, grow, protect and manage better our urban trees and green areas

Strong local businesses and more quality local jobs

- Our local businesses are stronger and more successful
- Whau is growing more new local business and quality jobs
- Our local businesses have access to more skilled local workers now and in the future

Celebrating our creative edge in our streets, neighbourhoods and communities

- Whau's communities can access and participate in arts activity
- Whau is known for its robust and flourishing creative economy
- Art and culture is celebrated in our place-making

Our heritage is known, protected and our stories are shared

- We celebrate and support protection from a strong research foundation
- Gather and share historical knowledge
- Preservation of our places and stories

Higher Priority

- Resident-led projects that help strengthen and connect neighbourhoods

Lower Priorities

We will consider applications for other services, projects, events and activities outside the current priorities, however these will be considered a lower priority.

The Whau Local Board will consider the following activities as lower priorities:

- administration and salary costs
- events which charge an admission fee
- applicants that have already received one successful grant application within the current financial year
- where the applicant has a considerable cash surplus (relative to the amount applied for), unless they can verify that it is a tagged reserve and cannot be used as a contribution towards the submitted project
- applicants who have not considered other sources of funding for their project

Investment approach

The Whau Local Board will allocate budget annually to support the local grants programme which will be divided into three approaches:

- Quick Response Grants: for grants \$500 to \$2,000
- Local Grants: Generally for grants \$2,000 to \$5,000

Match funding

The Whau Local Board will prioritise grants with a strong “match funding” approach i.e. where groups can demonstrate significant community contribution in time, cash and/or in kind services.

Application dates

Grant rounds for 2019/2020 will be as follows:

Quick Response

2018/19 grant rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	7 October 2019	1 November 2019	11 December 2019	22 December 2019
Round two	23 April 2020	8 May 2020	17 June 2020	1 July 2020

Local Grants

2018/19 grant rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	3 June 2019	5 July 2019	28 August 2019	1 September 2019
Round two	17 February 2020	27 March 2020	20 May 2020	1 June 2020

Multi-board funding

We will work with the neighbouring local boards to deliver multi-board funding. The applicant will need to clearly demonstrate how the proposal benefits people and communities in the Whau area.

2018/2019 Multi-board grant rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	3 June 2019	19 July 2019	28 August 2019	1 September 2019
Round two	20 January 2020	13 March 2020	20 May 2020	1 June 2020

Accountability measures

In addition to the measures in the community grants policy the Whau Local Board requests that all successful applicants as far as possible provide photographs of the activity funded.