

NON MARAE GRANTS Information Sheet



The Trust has identified a number of grants which are non marae based. These grants are intended to provide benefits and support to Tuwharetoa Settlement Trust Beneficiaries. Applicants will need to complete the appropriate application form.

1. GENERAL KAUMATUA GRANTS; \$200,000.00

This grant is for Kaumatua (koroua and kuia) who are 65 years or older at the time of filing an application. It is provided as a single one off payment made every 1st July. The amount to be determined for an applicant is based on the number of eligible applications received within a 12 month period from July 1 to June 30 the following year. The number of approved applications is divided into a total of \$200,000.00 per year. There is a single maximum payment of \$450.00. At the time of the application the following is required for this grant;

1. The applicant is 65 years or older at time of application
2. Registered beneficiary to TST, (if registered with one of the marae of Ngati Tuwharetoa then automatically registered as a beneficiary of TST)
3. Provide a copy of one of the following; a drivers' license, birth certificate or passport, or written supporting documentation from a recognised elder of the hapu who will verify the age of the applicant¹.

The Kaumatua grant can be used to assist with the following:

1. Prescription glasses (includes tinted prescription glasses)
2. Dental treatment
3. Denture treatment and replacements
4. Hearing aids/ audio aids
5. Walking aids, wheel chairs, motorized chairs
6. Contact lenses
7. Annual health check
8. Visual aids, includes costs to contribute to a seeing eye dog
9. Specialized hospital treatment
10. Purchase of artificial aids for any limb lost
11. Specialized medical aids/treatments these include treatments such as home dialysis, insulin treatment, allergy treatments- asthma inhalers, cancer treatments, arthritis, rongoa, etc
12. Nasal treatments

¹ There is a possibility that proof or evidence of age is available, highly unlikely but very probable. Discretion needs to be applied and verification can be made through speaking with whanau or partner. A person who is 90 plus may never have been registered at birth and never held a drivers license.

13. Associated physical fitness activity may include a gym fee, swimming/hot pool fee or purchase of equipment to do physical exercise²

It would assist TST if each marae filed a list of Kaumatua aged 65 years and older with the TST, and sent an updated list each year.

2. EDUCATION GRANTS: \$200,000.00

An annual grant of \$200,000.00 will be distributed to beneficiaries of the Tuwharetoa Settlement Trust. Eligibility criteria will be set for the grants. *This grant is presently on hold until TST in discussion with other tribal entities clarifies their policies.*

3. GENERAL PURPOSE: \$250,000.00

The general purpose beneficiary grant is \$250,000.00 per annum. The purpose of this grant is to provide flexible small to medium grants to beneficiaries or Tuwharetoa groups. The criteria for this grant are; the applicant must be a registered beneficiary of Ngati Tuwharetoa (TST). If applying for a group, then at least 50 percent of the recipients must be registered beneficiaries of Ngati Tuwharetoa (TST). It should be also noted that this form of grant will be made available to all Ngati Tuwharetoa beneficiaries irrespective of their location i.e. local, national or other.

These grants are to assist Tuwharetoa events, kapa haka groups and events, and taura here of Ngati Tuwharetoa hosting events who reside outside of the rohe of Tuwharetoa, and significant events that promote Tuwharetoa whanau, marae, hapu and iwi. **Sports people and groups who apply for funds will need to complete a Sports Funding Grant application form.**

The **amount of funding granted is at the discretion of the Tuwharetoa Settlement Trust.** It will depend on the available funds and the number of applications being considered in any one year.

4. HOME HEAT GRANT \$75,000

A current incentive to insulate and heat homes can be a special grant applied for homes that require insulation and heating. This grant can contribute to assist with the insulation and heating of beneficiaries homes. The criteria applies to homes (a) owned or lived in by our Kaumātua², (b) where there is a health reason to have the home insulated and heated , (c) where young families i.e. babies and young children reside. The TST will receive names for this grant and the homes will then be assessed.

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² If an elder has experienced some form of hospitalisation for a medical condition that requires follow up treatment such as doing physical activity, apart from physiotherapist, ACC claims etc, they should be supported in the costs to carry out this activity. Even if they haven't this should be an incentive to maintain health and well being which in the long term enables them to have active participation in hapu and iwi affairs. It also allows them to have a full and active life.