

## COMMUNITY NETWORKS WANAKA Community Support Fund 2021



### BACKGROUND

The Community Support Fund provides financial assistance to individuals and families in the Upper Clutha;

- so that they may access financial support for counselling;
- that struggle with school based costs for their young person such as stationary, uniform (referred to as No Child Misses Out);
- that struggle with a household & living cost such as power & medical costs.

### CRITERIA

- Referrals need to come from any professional that is able to means assess or understand a family's financial situation, including Social Workers, Budget Advisors and Counsellors;
- It is expected that all other sources of funding/support have been explored including Work and Income, Upper Clutha Children's Medical Trust, Brief Intervention Service, health and education funding streams;
- Funding will not be provided where it is part of the core service obligations of any government or non-government agency;
- The funding sought needs to directly support the individual or family and their action plan;
- We ask that, if possible, the client contributes to some of the costs;
- Loans will not be approved.

### PROCESS FOR APPLYING

- To apply for funding, the referrer needs to complete the application form (below) and email it to [kate@communitynetworks.co.nz](mailto:kate@communitynetworks.co.nz) detailing the amount that is being requested;
- Initial applications can be made up to a total of \$1000. Additional applications will be considered, if further support is needed;
- The application may be discussed with the CN Social Worker and an ACDT Trustee;
- Kate will email a response back to the referrer within 10 working days;
- The referrer then confirms with the client if the funding has been approved;
- The counsellor or service provider emails the invoices directly to Kate Murray, Manager, Community Networks [kate@communitynetworks.co.nz](mailto:kate@communitynetworks.co.nz)
- For further information about this fund, please contact Kate Murray on 443 7799.

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### Application Form Community Support Fund

It is expected that all other sources of funding/support have been explored including Brief Intervention Service, Work and Income, Upper Clutha Children's Medical Trust, health and education funding streams. Please note we are also collecting information about the clients accessing this support to enable us to track trends. This information can then be used to inform funders so please indicate below. Thank you.

**Date:**

**Name and contact details of the referrer:**

**Initials of the client:**

**Gender:**

**Approximate Age e.g. 20 - 30 years**

**Ethnicity:**

**Presenting Concerns and underlying stresses:**

1. Subsidised Counselling and underlying stresses on family/individual:

- financial/welfare
- family relationships e.g. parenting break-ups
- housing
- substance misuse
- workplace related  please specify \_\_\_\_\_
- disability
- mental health
- other e.g. grief and loss  please specify \_\_\_\_\_

2. MSD Client Assistant Fund e.g. firewood, fuel and power

3. No Child Misses Out e.g. stationary

**Purpose of funding (and number of sessions if counselling):**

(If this is for subsidised counselling, please indicate if this is for grief and loss counselling where children/a child are involved)

**Total amount of funding sought: \$**

**Please provide detail of the client's financial contribution:**

**What alternative funding sources/support have been sought? Please give details such as if the Brief Intervention Service is an option.**

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***Decision***

***Approved/Not approved***