

Media Release

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Funding Rounds Open for Applications

Kaipara District Council's Community Assistance Policy Grants and Mangawhai Endowment Lands Account funds are about to open for applications. These funds are available to support projects that will enhance the Kaipara district community, as part of Council's Community Assistance Policy.

- Applications for **Community Assistance Policy (CAP) Grants**; Contracts for Service and Operational and Capital Discretionary Grants will open **Thursday 01 December 2016** and close **Friday 03 February 2017**. Operational Grant applicants will be notified of funding decisions in March/April 2016. Contracts for Service and Capital Grant applicants will be notified of funding decisions in June/July 2016. Past organisations funded include Maungaturoto Activity Park, Kelly's Bay Improvement Society, Kauri Coast Promotion Society, Pouto Landcare and various community halls. Contracts for Service have been granted to community groups doing work including track maintenance, recycling programmes, providing public toilets, information centres, libraries and more.
- Applications for **Mangawhai Endowment Lands Account (MELA) Funding**, open **Monday 07 November 2016** and close **Thursday 22 December 2016**. Funding will be allocated at a Committee meeting in February/March 2017. Past organisations funded include Mangawhai Activity Zone, Mangawhai Domain, Mangawhai Heads Volunteer Surf Lifesaving and various Mangawhai conservation groups, including the Fairy Tern Trust and Mangawhai Riparian Planting Group.

General Manager Community, Venessa Anich says "these grants and funds enable communities throughout the Kaipara district to help themselves, increase and support volunteering and support communities to create facilities and services that make them great places to live. They also allow for Council's limited resources to be supplemented with community and other agencies resources, so that we can collectively provide a higher level of service for Kaipara residents."

Community organisations are encouraged to apply for this funding if they have projects, activities and services which meet the criteria of the Policy. If your project is based in Mangawhai, and meets the relevant criteria, you are encouraged to apply for the MELA funding rather than the CAP grants.

Application forms, criteria guidelines and the full Community Assistance Policy are available at <http://www.kaipara.govt.nz/Your+Council/Grants+and+Funds.html>

For more information on CAP Funding, please contact Paula Guy Stuve or MELA Funding, please contact Annie van der Plas on 0800 727 059.