

Biodiversity Northland Forum

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<p>ASB Community Trust</p>	<p>ASB Community Trust is an independent grant-making organisation supporting the work of not-for-profit groups in Auckland and Northland. Any incorporated society or charitable trust in Auckland and Northland can apply for funds, provided they are a not-for-profit organisation.</p> <p>The Community Support Grants Programme are distributed across three funding areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Places - supports projects that conserve the significant history of our region; projects and organisations that protect and enhance the environment; and marae development and building projects that develop community cohesion, enhance community participation, or are of regional significance. • Participation - supports community organisations working to grow and develop recreation and sport; creative projects and organisations fostering access to, engagement with and experience in the arts and projects that celebrate the diverse cultures of our region. • People - supports community organisations working to facilitate improved outcomes for high need communities in our region. The fund supports strengths-based programmes that focus on positive outcomes for children, young people and their families. 	<p>To be considered for funding an organisation must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a charitable trust or incorporated society that has been registered with the Charities Commission or Companies Office for at least 12 months. • registered for at least 12 months at the time of submitting an application. • controlled by an organisation operating under an adopted constitution and rules. • able to provide us with annual accounts. If you are applying for under \$40,000, these must be signed by two office holders. If you are applying for over \$40,000, these must be audited by a person with an accounting qualification. • within the Trust's region. 	<p>There is a big list on their website. Some relevant ones for biodiversity are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences. • Educational resources for schools. • Operating costs for community organisations that receive more than 80% of their funding from government. • Initiatives for private landowners on private land (with the exception of Nga Whenua Rahui legal agreements). 	<p>There are five closing dates a year. There are specific dates for Quick Response Grants up to \$20,000 and Grants over \$20,000 for the 3 funding areas of People, Places and Participation. Check the website.</p>	<p>www.asbcommunitytrust.org.nz</p> <p>Phone: 09 360 0291 Toll free 0800 272 878.</p> <p>Or email via the website.</p>

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<p>Department of Internal Affairs- Lottery Grants - Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS)</p>	<p>The Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) is a community-driven fund that provides grants to non-profit community organisations that deliver community-based social services.</p> <p>There is no limit to the amount that your organisation can apply for. However, because of pressure on funds, COGS is rarely able to provide grant funding to the level requested and is more likely to consider a contribution of approximately \$3000 or less (discuss via freephone or email).</p> <p>37 Local Distribution Committees (LDCs), served by volunteers, consider and make decisions on grant applications from community organisations within each LDC's local community.</p> <p>The amount of funding granted is at each LDC's discretion. It depends on the funds available and the number and quality of the applications received.</p>	<p>Services or projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • respond to locally identified priorities, (established by local COGS committees after consulting communities at public meetings held in April each year; • actively encourage participation in communities; • promote community leadership; • invest in community capability; • promote social economic and equity with regard, but not limited, to Māori, women Pacific communities, other ethnic communities, older people, the rurally isolated, people with disabilities, families, youth and children, and unemployed people; • attempt to reduce downstream social and economic costs to the community and government. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital items such as land, building/alterations, plant and machinery, vehicles, furniture and office equipment; • Duplicating existing services, unless there is a good reason for both services to exist; • Social functions. (Exceptions to this are if, for cultural reasons, the 'social' event brings people together in order to achieve other significant purposes); • Activities or programmes taking place outside of New Zealand; • Retrospective funding for activities that have already taken place prior to the application closing date; • Individuals; • Projects seeking to promote commercial, political or religious objectives.. • In most cases the publishing of material of a technical nature. 	<p>COGS has one funding round per year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COGS opens for applications: 26 March. • COGS closes for applications: 14 May. • Assessment of applications: May – June. • Assessment and decision-making by LDC members: July. • Decisions notified and payments made: from August. 	<p>www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Crown-Funds---Community-Organisation-Grants-Scheme</p> <p>Phone 0800 824 824 or email grantsonline@dia.govt.nz.</p>

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<p>Department of Internal Affairs-Lottery Significant Projects Fund</p>	<p>The Lottery Grants Board has allocated \$30 million to the Lottery Significant Projects Fund. This fund provides support to organisations undertaking major community-based capital expenditure projects.</p> <p>The community outcomes the Committee expects a project to contribute to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increase community self-reliance, capacity building and stability. • provide opportunities for social, recreational, civil or cultural participation. • reduce or overcoming barriers communities face to such participation. 	<p>The types of projects may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • construction of a new community building • redevelopment or an extension to an existing community building that increases capacity, accessibility or broadens the range of uses of a building. • refurbishment of an existing community building, (including, but not limited to, earthquake strengthening work or renovation work). • environmental projects which promote, protect and preserve New Zealand's native flora and fauna. • improving existing outdoor spaces or creating new spaces. <p>Applicants must demonstrate that their project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is for a community purpose. • has a total project cost of at least \$3 million. • has secured at least one-third partnership funding. • has a Project Manager. • has a completed feasibility study or other report in support of the project. • has an approved resource consent. • contributes to a regional and/or national outcome, in one or more of the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ arts, culture and heritage; ○ sport and recreation; ○ conservation and the environment; ○ economic development; and/or ○ visitor services and tourism. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the purchase of land. • projects which are based in privately owned buildings. • projects which are based on privately owned land. • development of network infrastructure. • car parks and roads outside the land boundary on which the project is situated. • corporate boxes and hospitality suites. • residential accommodation. • retrospective funding. 	<p>Check the website for dates or use the freephone number.</p>	<p>http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Lottery-grants---Lottery-Significant-Projects</p> <p>0800 824 824 significantprojects@dia.govt.nz</p>

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<p>Enhanced Access Fund</p>	<p>The Walking Access Act came into effect in 2008 to “provide the New Zealand public with free, certain, enduring, and practical walking access to the outdoors (including around the coast and lakes, along rivers, and to public resources) so that the public can enjoy the outdoors”.</p> <p>The Act enabled the establishment of the NZ Walking Access Commission as a Crown entity with a range of functions. One function gives the Commission responsibility for “administering a fund to finance the activities of the Commission, or any other person, in obtaining, developing, improving, maintaining, administering, and signposting walking access over any land.”</p> <p>Up to \$230,000 (including GST) is available for distribution via an application process during 2011.</p>	<p>The Commission has identified the following priorities for the Enhanced Access Fund during 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address existing access problems including the resolution of disputes, and allied activities such as signage. • Negotiate retention of existing access, or obtain new access, including walkways. • Support community access projects and needs (e.g. responding to visitor demand from outside the area). <p>Who can apply?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community organisations; • territorial authorities in combination with community organisations; • umbrella/lead organisations applying on behalf of local groups; • iwi/hapu; • administering authorities of walkways; • educational organisations; • research providers; • and any other access-related group or organisation. 		<p>The closing dates for the next funding rounds are:</p> <p>30 November 2014 (applicants advised by 28 February 2015) and;</p> <p>28 February 2015 (applicants advised by 31 May 2015).</p>	<p>www.walkingaccess.govt.nz</p> <p>Refer to the website for regional contacts.</p> <p>Procedural matters contact:</p> <p>Name: David Knott Position: Corporate Services Manager</p> <p>04 815 8512 Email: David.Knott@walkingaccess.govt.nz</p>

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<p>Fonterra Grass Roots Fund</p>	<p>Fonterra's community sponsorship programme supports community group one-off grants of between \$500 and \$5000.</p>	<p>Your initiative/activity must fall into one of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging Innovation and/or Science. • Caring for the Environment. • Bringing Communities Together. • Making our Communities Safer. <p>See website for sort of projects they have funded in the past includes the planting of trees, science and environmental awards etc.</p>		<p>There are three application call periods throughout the year.</p> <p>Applications are accepted during the first month and Sponsorship Committees have two months to assess the application forms and respond to each applicant – check the website</p>	<p>www.fonterra.com/wps/wcm/connect/fonterra.com/fonterra.com/Our+Business/Fonterra+at+a+Glance/About+Us/Grass+Roots/</p> <p>Northland to Auckland City contact Rachel Haddrell: Fonterra Maungaturoto, PO Box 27, Maungaturoto.</p> <p>NorthlandSponsorship@fonterra.com</p>
<p>FNDC Community Fund</p>	<p>Range of community projects funded.</p> <p>Funding applications chosen by FNDC Community Boards from Eastern, Western and Northern wards.</p> <p>Each ward has different \$\$ attached - Eastern/\$144520, Western \$74007 and Northern \$101613.</p>	<p>Projects within the Far North District.</p>		<p>10 working days prior to each community board meeting – contact FNDC to find out dates of board meetings.</p>	<p>www.fndc.govt.nz</p> <p>0800 920 029</p>
<p>JS Watson Trust</p>	<p>The JS Watson Trust is administered by Forest and Bird.</p> <p>Total of \$20000/annum. Maximum of \$4000 per project.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The conservation of plants and animals and natural features of New Zealand. • The advancement of knowledge in these matters by way of research, literary contribution, essay or articles, or other effort. • General education of the public to give them an understanding and love of the world in which they live. 	<p>Conferences, thesis production, major travel costs.</p>	<p>Preliminary applications must be received by 5pm, April 18, 2014. Follow-up needed for 2015.</p>	<p>www.forestandbird.org.nz/what-we-do/partnerships/js-watson-trust</p> <p>L.corrigan@forestandbird.org.nz</p>

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<p>Kiwis for Kiwi</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To encourage and undertake the preservation and protection of all species of kiwi. • To support the Department of Conservation's kiwi recovery programme or any similar DOC programme having similar objectives. • To provide inspiration, guidance and tools to enable New Zealanders to protect and enhance regional populations of kiwi • To support research that benefits kiwi especially, but not exclusively, in the areas of bird management, predator control, eco-system management and breeding • To educate the general public about kiwi and how to support kiwi conservation projects • To encourage public support of, and involvement in, such projects • To assist and co-operate with persons and organisations sharing similar aims 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Organisations must fall within one of the following organisational classifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Conservation office. • University, zoo and/or recognised research facility. • Registered charitable trust, charitable foundation, or charitable organization. • Incorporated society. • Kiwi conservation group, association, or society. • Landcare group. 2. Community-based organisations applying to the Trust for funding support must produce, as part of their ongoing operating procedure, an Annual Report and an Annual Financial Statement. Please Note: <i>The Trust may require an organisation to provide copies of both documents in support of its funding application.</i> 3. The Trust will only reimburse expenses to and in the name of the funded organisation. 4. All kiwi-related conservation work undertaken by an organisation must be properly permitted under the Wildlife Act as administered by the Department of Conservation. 	<p>Individuals will not be funded.</p> <p>Anything outside of their terms and conditions – see the website.</p>	<p>Each year, applications open in early March, and close in early April. Applications are assessed by the Kiwi Recovery Group, which makes recommendations to The Kiwi Trust trustees. Trustees approve the final allocations, and these are announced in late June each year.</p>	<p>www.kiwisforkiwi.org</p> <p>enquiries@kiwisforkiwi.org</p> <p>09 307 4878</p>

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<p>Lion Foundation</p>	<p>Making a difference in local communities.</p> <p>The Lion Foundation's funding policy is structured to ensure that many different community causes can benefit. Funding is shared between the areas of community, which includes arts, culture, heritage and environment (30%), health (15%), sport (40%) and education (15%).</p> <p>Funds are available for any charitable, philanthropic or cultural purpose that benefits the local community - both large and small.</p> <p>Applications of up to \$50,000 are reviewed by their Net Proceeds Committee who meet regularly. Larger applications (for amounts of \$50,000 or more) are reviewed by the Board of Trustees who meet once a month.</p>	<p>In order to get a grant, your organisation must be incorporated (eg under the Incorporated Societies Act or Charitable Trusts Act). It must also have Charities Commission registration or an IRD income tax exemption.</p>	<p>Includes retrospective grants, travel expenses, vehicles, tourism.</p>	<p>Apply anytime.</p>	<p>www.lionfoundation.org.nz</p> <p>The Lion Foundation Private Bag 102 920, NSMC, Auckland 0745 New Zealand</p> <p>For help with filling out the form contact 0800 802 908.</p>
<p>Matauranga Kura Taiao Fund</p>	<p>The Fund is administered by the Nga Whenua Rahui Unit, who are part of the Kahui Kura Taiao arm of the Department of Conservation.</p> <p>The Unit also has a governing Committee, chaired by Tuwharetoa Paramout Chief Mr Tumu Te Heuheu. The Committee reports directly to the Minister of Conservation.</p> <p>Nga Whenua Rahui supports tangata whenua initiatives around traditional Maori knowledge/practices in biodiversity management.</p>	<p>Organisations representative of iwi, hapu and whanau with a legal entity such as marae committee, trust or incorporation.</p> <p>Preference given to projects on Maori-owned land and protected by Nga Whenua Rahui kawenata.</p> <p>Projects need to meet objectives of the NZ Biodiversity Strategy relating to Maori and matauranga Maori and are aligned with Government's national priorities for protecting rare and threatened native biodiversity on private lands.</p>		<p>The Nga Whenua Rahui Committee meets three to four times a year, at which time applications to the fund are considered.</p>	<p>kaitakawaenga@doc.govt.nz</p> <p>0800 112 771</p>

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<p>Mazda Foundation</p>	<p>Mazda strongly believes that as a significant company in New Zealand it has a responsibility to give something back to the country through developing equitable and broad community involvement.</p> <p>The Foundation is funded through a contribution from the sale of every new Mazda in NZ, support from Mazda Dealers via special fund raising activities as well as seed capital from Mazda Motor Corporation in Japan.</p> <p>The operating budget of the Mazda Foundation is approximately \$400,000 each fiscal year.</p>	<p>The Mazda Foundation will consider awarding grants to programmes promoting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The maintenance and improvement of the natural environment. • The advancement of culture and education to achieve excellence at all levels in the community. • Advancement of education and employment skills development, with particular emphasis on children from deprived backgrounds. • The arts where the goal is to educate and expose the NZ. 		<p>3 funding rounds: 31 March, 30 June and 30 September</p>	<p>www.mazdafoundation.org.nz</p> <p>mazdafoundaton@mazda.co.nz</p> <p>The Secretary Mazda Foundation PO Box 132057 Sylvia Park Auckland 1644</p>
<p>MfE - Community Environment Fund</p>	<p>To ensure that New Zealanders are empowered to take environmental action.</p> <p>It also ensures that: partnerships (relating to practical environmental initiatives) between interested parties are supported and strengthened, community-based advice and educational opportunities are increased and awareness on environmental legislation and issues is heightened.</p> <p>The minimum grant available is \$10,000, and the maximum is \$300,000. All amounts are exclusive of GST.</p>	<p>Community groups who are legally registered NZ entities.</p> <p>Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate that their project will support more than one of the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness and involvement in resolving environmental issues. • Involve the community in practically focused action to improve environmental quality. • Support and strengthen collaboration between environmental groups, business/farmers, industry, iwi and local authorities on finding community solutions to environmental challenges. • Provide improved community-based advice, educational opportunities and public information about environmental legislation and policy. • Provide wider economic, social or cultural benefits. 		<p>The MfE website should be regularly checked for funding round announcements.</p>	<p>www.mfe.govt.nz/withyou/funding/community-environment-fund/index.html</p> <p>funds@mfe.govt.nz</p>

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<p>MfE – Environmental Legal Assistance Fund</p>	<p>This fund provides not-for-profit groups with financial assistance to advocate for an environmental issue of high public interest in resource management cases at the Environment Court, higher courts, and at boards of inquiry constituted under the "Call in" provisions of section 141B.1 (a) of the Resource Management Act 1991. As of 2013 the fund also funds appeals to the Environment Court and board of inquiry proceedings. The fund has a total annual budget of \$800000 (ex GST). The maximum assistance available is \$40,000 (excl GST). The Ministry enters into a Deed of Funding with the group to pay the costs (up to specified amounts) for the specified legal counsel and expert witnesses. Money is not provided directly to the applicant group.</p>	<p>Not-for profit groups may include environmental, community, iwi and hapu groups. In general it is expected that groups are incorporated or a Trust. The Fund is not available to individuals.</p> <p>You will need to study the 'Guide to Applicants' and the other key documents that are on their website. The Guide will help you determine whether your group is eligible for funding and to help you answer the questions in the ELA Fund Application Form.</p>		<p>The MfE website should be regularly checked for funding round announcements.</p>	<p>www.mfe.govt.nz/withyou/funding/ela.html</p>
<p>MPI - Sustainable Farming Fund</p>	<p>The Sustainable Farming Fund (SFF) invests in farmer, grower and forester led projects that deliver economic, environmental and social benefits to New Zealand's primary industries. Since 2011, the SFF has been open to aquaculture projects that support economic, environmental and social performance in the marine and land-based aquaculture sector.</p> <p>The SFF funds "Communities of Interest" to undertake applied research and extension projects that tackle a shared problem or develop a new opportunity. SFF projects are led by rural land owners and managers often with the support of industry organisations, agribusinesses, researchers or consultants. Most successful projects are able to leverage a high proportion of other funding or in-kind support to complement the SFF grant</p>	<p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applied research and development; • Demonstration projects; • Information, knowledge and technology transfer; • Technical investigations supporting improved use and allocation of water; • Identifying barriers to, and options for, improved land use and management; • Improving decision support; • Adding value and exploring market opportunities. 	<p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects involving unsustainable land management or environmental practices; • Projects primarily benefiting an individual or single business or farming unit (including the funding of whole farm plans); • Conservation, mining and wild fisheries; • Projects from applicants not resident in New Zealand for tax purposes; • Participation in statutory processes, 	<p>The next funding round closes 10 October 2014.</p> <p>The MPI website should be regularly checked for funding round announcements.</p>	<p>www.mpi.govt.nz/agriculture/funding-programmes/sustainable-farming-fund.aspx</p>

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			litigation, or resource inventory work; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects not directly related to New Zealand's primary industries: e.g. amenity horticulture. 		
Nature Heritage Fund	<p>Established in 1990 the purpose of the fund is to protect indigenous ecosystems that represent the full range of natural diversity originally present in the New Zealand landscape by providing incentives for voluntary conservation.</p> <p>It is administered by an independent committee, is serviced by the Department of Conservation and receives an annual allocation of funds from the Government.</p> <p>The fund's objective is to enable, facilitate, and support activities directed at the protection of indigenous ecosystems. The fund achieves this through helping to permanently protect representative, sustainable, landscape and amenity values of indigenous ecosystems. It does this by purchase of interest, or, while leaving the land in private ownership, through covenanting, leasing, accords, and management agreements.</p>	<p>You can be a landowner, an individual, or an environmental organisation.</p> <p>To receive assistance, a proposal need to meet as many of the following criteria as possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representativeness. Sustainability. Landscape integrity. Amenity and utility values. 	<p>Commercially oriented projects.</p> <p>Projects already funded for water and soil conservation purposes by regional councils.</p> <p>Projects which are ordinarily the responsibility of local and regional government.</p>	<p>10 Feb, 30 April, 31 July and 31 October annually.</p>	<p>For further information about the fund contact:</p> <p>The Executive Officer Nature Heritage Fund PO Box 10-420 Wellington</p> <p>p. 04 471 0726</p> <p>f. 0 4 471 3018</p> <p>NHF-Admin@doc.govt.nz</p>

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<p>Next Foundation</p>	<p>The NEXT Foundation has been established to invest \$100 million in transformational projects for the benefit of future generations of New Zealanders.</p> <p>The projects we support promote and exemplify environmental and educational excellence. They are large in scale and wide in impact.</p> <p>The Foundation is not a charity or grant-making organisation, but rather a strategic investor and supporter of well-defined, well-managed projects that deliver a meaningful and measurable philanthropic return.</p>	<p>Funding will not be awarded to individuals, but will be awarded to the following applicants where charitable purposes can be demonstrated (through a deed or governing rules):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered charities. • Incorporated societies. • Universities. • Social enterprises (seed funding). • Special purpose entities verified for the project e.g. Rotoroa and Janszoon. <p>All organisations must be New Zealand registered.</p> <p>Applications will be considered for the following funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • operating costs; • programme costs, including salaries directly applicable to programme delivery. • capital expenditure; • capacity and capability building; • leadership development; • resources and equipment; • new and existing projects. 	<p>Individuals</p>	<p>There will be one round of Expression of Interest/ project approvals in each year.</p>	<p>www.nextfoundation.org.nz</p> <p>09 308 4037</p> <p>enquiries@nextfoundation.org.nz</p> <p>The Business Advisory Group PO Box 162 Shortland Street Auckland 1140 New Zealand</p>

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<p>Nga Whenua Rahui</p>	<p>Nga Whenua Rahui is a contestable Ministerial fund established in 1991 to provide funding for the protection of indigenous ecosystems on Maori land. Its scope covers the full range of natural diversity originally present in the landscape. It is administered by DOC.</p> <p>The Ngā Whenua Rāhui Fund exists to facilitate the voluntary protection of indigenous ecosystems on Māori-owned land while honouring the rights guaranteed to Māori landowners under Te Tiriti o Waitangi.</p> <p>Ngā Whenua Rāhui is the Government's affirmation of the status of tangata whenua and their tino rangatiratanga to assist Māori landowners in the protection of their indigenous ecosystems. In its kaupapa and role Ngā Whenua Rāhui is reaffirming the bond between tangata whenua and the land.</p>	<p>Organisations representative of hapu and iwi can apply.</p> <p>Emphasis on the cultural and spiritual, and ecological significance criteria, in particular representativeness and sustainability but may also include landscape integrity and amenity/utility values.</p>	<p>The Fund does not cover administrative overheads or equipment to be purchased for unspecified projects.</p> <p>Consideration may on occasion be given, on a case by case basis, to include costs of hui and protection negotiations.</p>	<p>Contact the fund representative Meryl Carter.</p>	<p>Taitokerau / Waiariki / Waikato Maniapoto representative: Meryl Carter</p> <p>09 438 3667 027 247 5807 mcarter@doc.govt.nz</p>
<p>NRC Environment Fund</p>	<p>To encourage and assist the voluntary implementation of environmental protection and/or enhancement. \$500,000 available/annum.</p> <p>Can provide up to 50% of total project costs (applicant contribution can be in time).</p> <p>Site visit by an NRC land management advisor must be undertaken before application can be accepted.</p>	<p>Will fund landowners and Community groups (with permission of landowner).</p> <p>Priority funding streams are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil conservation. • Biodiversity. • Coastal (includes dune restoration). • Water quality (includes fencing). • Exceptional projects (regionally significant projects not available for funding under the other funding streams. These projects need to have high regional priority and be approved by the council's Environmental Management Committee). 	<p>Projects designed for personal or commercial profit, required under resource consent or simply to beautify a site, are not eligible for funding.</p>	<p>Opens 1st July and closes when all funds allocated (or by following 30 June).</p>	<p>www.nrc.govt.nz/EnvironmentFund</p> <p>mailroom@nrc.govt.nz</p> <p>09 438 4639 or freephone 0800 002 004</p>

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<p>Community Conservation Partnerships Fund</p>	<p>Provides funding to community-led conservation groups for natural heritage and recreation projects in New Zealand.</p> <p>Announced in March 2014 it has approximately \$26 million dollars to distribute to community groups for priority conservation work over four years. In the first year \$8.5 million is being allocated across more than 100 community organisations.</p> <p>The fund is directed at practical, on-the-ground projects. These projects will maintain and restore the diversity of our natural heritage and enable more people to participate in recreation, engage with conservation and value its benefits. Projects that may have a transformational impact on conservation growth in New Zealand were also considered.</p>	<p>Criteria for assessing applications for this fund are include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a demonstrated need for this conservation work to be undertaken? • Does the proposed project contribute to conservation priorities for New Zealand's natural, recreation, historic or cultural heritage? • Is there a clearly defined conservation outcome for this project? • Are there clear objectives and work planning to achieve these outcomes? • Is this project sustainable? • Is there collaboration with, and support from others? 	<p>Contact the DOC Funds team for guidance.</p>	<p>The next CCPF funding round will be in the first half of 2015. Contact the DOC Funds Team on 0800 862 020 for information.</p>	<p>www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/run-a-project/funding/community-conservation-partnerships-fund/</p> <p>Contact the DOC Funds team on freephone 0800 86 2020</p>
<p>O-I New Zealand Environmental Fund</p>	<p>The Fund was established in 1983 to give students an opportunity to undertake environmental studies.</p> <p>The fund encourages schools to implement sustainability projects that help to develop students' skills in identifying, investigating and finding solutions to environmental issues. Each year the fund allocates around \$25,000 in school grants which is designed to support these initiatives. .</p>	<p>Kindergartens, primary, intermediate and secondary schools are eligible.</p> <p>You need to submit an Expression of Interest Form and then if successful you will be invited to make a full application. There are two application categories: Category A - funding from \$3,000 to \$10,000 Category B – funding from \$250 to \$2,000.</p>	<p>They do not make grants for projects under \$250 and for a whole range of costs, check this out on their website.</p>	<p>The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 31 March and full applications are due 31 May.</p>	<p>www.recycleglass.co.nz/o-i-nz-environmental-fund/</p> <p>09 976 7127 penny.garland@ap.o-i.com</p> <p>PO Box 12-345 752 Great South Road Penrose, Auckland, 1061 09 976 7100</p>

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<p>Pacific Development and Conservation Trust (Department of Internal Affairs)</p>	<p>Pacific Development and Conservation Trust grants are administered by the Department of Internal Affairs. It was established by the New Zealand Government on 23 May 1989. Funding of \$3.2 million was received from France in recognition of the events surrounding the destruction of the Greenpeace 'Rainbow Warrior' ship in Auckland Harbour on 10 July 1985.</p> <p>Every year the Trust has approximately \$250,000 to distribute as grants to groups and individuals in the South Pacific for a range of development and conservation projects.</p> <p>The Trust has approximately \$250,000 each year to distribute. There is no minimum or maximum grant amount. Grants made range from NZ\$2000 to \$50,000.</p>	<p>Priority is given to community-driven projects that involve and benefit local communities or partner with national and local non-governmental organisations (NGOs).</p> <p>Conservation projects involving representative, endangered, threatened or unique habitats and species.</p> <p>Projects that promote healthy living, cultural and/or social projects that promote healthy livelihoods, cultural, social and economic self-sufficiency and sustainability.</p> <p>Projects that are innovative and/or act as models for other communities. Sustainable projects associated with conservation and the environment at a national and/or local level.</p>	<p>Generally, they do not fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • core salaries or on-going organisational operating and related costs; • the purchase of land or buildings; • school trips; and • research projects submitted by current or intending tertiary students that are primarily linked to a course of personal study. 	<p>Applying for funding is a two-stage process.</p> <p>Applicants must submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) prior to 31 March.</p> <p>EOIs will be considered by the Advisory Trustees and successful applicants will be invited to submit a full project application.</p> <p>The closing date for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) is 31 March.</p> <p>The closing date for full applications is 31 August.</p>	<p>Pacific Development and Conservation Trust PO Box 805 Wellington 6140</p> <p>0800 824 824</p> <p>trusts@dia.govt.nz</p>
<p>Project Crimson Trust</p>	<p>The Trust works with organisations, communities and individuals throughout New Zealand and assists them by providing funding and pohutukawa and rata trees for local projects.</p>	<p>To be considered, the project must provide long-term benefits to the local environment and provide tangible evidence of effective resource management.</p> <p>Anyone can apply including schools, iwi groups and landowners.</p> <p>Conservation activities for trees, research, growing & planting, site prep, fencing, pest control, survey etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital works. • Projects generating commercial profit. 	<p>1 March each year.</p>	<p>PO Box 10 420, Wellington</p> <p>0800 764 888 or 04 381 3057</p> <p>info@projectcrimson.org.nz</p> <p>www.projectcrimson.org.nz</p>

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<p>Queen Elizabeth II National Trust Open Space Covenants</p>	<p>To help landowners protect significant natural and cultural features on their land through open space covenants in perpetuity.</p>	<p>Private landowners only.</p> <p>Each covenant is unique and can vary widely.</p> <p>Properties are evaluated against a range of criteria including landscape, cultural and heritage values and threatened species habitats and grasslands</p>		<p>Anytime.</p>	<p>www.openspace.org.nz</p> <p>Far North: Greg Blunden on 09 405 5360. gblunden@openspace.org.nz</p> <p>Whangarei: Nan Pullman on 09 434 3457 npullman@openspace.org.nz</p> <p>Kaipara: Nick Matich on 09 439 8932. nmatich@openspace.org.nz</p>
<p>Save Our Species (SOS) A Global coalition to conserve species and their habitats</p>	<p>“Save Our Species (SOS)” is a global coalition initiated by the 3 founding partners IUCN, GEF and World Bank to build the biggest species conservation fund, supporting on-the-ground field conservation projects all over the world.</p> <p>SOS will combine resources and funding experience from the World Bank and GEF (Global Environment Facility), the authoritative science of IUCN and the resources and ingenuity of the private sector to create a mechanism that ensures sufficient funding goes to species conservation projects where and when it will have the most impact.</p> <p>SOS provides two types of grants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Threatened Species Grants (25,000 to 800,000 \$US) for which calls with specific Strategic Directions will be issued on a regular basis; - Rapid Action Grants (up to 25,000 \$US) available on an ongoing basis and supporting conservation actions in case of emergency situations. 	<p>Given that more than 19,000 species are currently known to be threatened, it will be impossible to meet all their needs. SOS will set priorities for funding and revise the Strategic Directions for its calls for proposals on a regular basis.</p> <p>Refer to the website for specific guidance.</p>		<p>The status of any given funding round is posted on the website.</p> <p>Applications are submitted via the online portal.</p>	<p>http://www.sospecies.org/sos_projects/apply_for_a_grant/</p>

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<p>Weedbusters Small Scale Initiative Fund</p>	<p>The Weedbuster small-scale initiative is designed to assist groups that need a helping hand of a scale smaller than would warrant an application to a regional environment fund.</p> <p>The funding is to cover costs such as tools, herbicides, mulcher hire, greenwaste disposal, promotional activities within communities to get Weedbusters groups off the ground, and so on.</p> <p>Funding is on application until funding limits are reached each financial year.</p> <p>Regional Weedbusters coordinators from both the regional council and DOC will make the final decision on applications.</p>	<p>Groups or individuals must have registered as Weedbusters through www.weedbusters.org.nz.</p> <p>Projects can be on public land, or on private land where two or more landowners are working together to clear areas of weeds by either targeting specific high-risk species or as part of a wider restoration project.</p> <p>The funding must be for weed-related initiatives, not for replanting or releasing recently planted native trees.</p> <p>The weed control must be carried out in accordance with best practice weed management techniques as outlined on www.weedbusters.org.nz for each weed species.</p>	<p>Projects are not to be based in private gardens (not including undeveloped gullies) or on productive farmland.</p>	<p>Funding is on application rather than contestable, with a limited pool of funds (\$2000) available in each area in each financial year.</p>	<p>www.weedbusters.co.nz/funding/initiative_fund.asp</p> <p>info@weedbusters.co.nz</p> <p>Weedbusters c/- DOC, PO Box 516, Hamilton 3240.</p>
<p>Working Together More Fund</p>	<p>In October 2009, the Working Together More Fund – He Pūtea Mahi Tahī – was launched. The goal of the fund is to assist community groups interested in working together more closely to do so, in order to make a greater difference for the people and communities they serve. The fund can provide seeding money and expertise.</p>	<p>Criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Positive difference - the initiative needs to strengthen and positively impact communities served by participating organisations. Collaboration - the fund was established to encourage collaboration as a way of achieving great results. The lead applicant needs to be a not-for-profit applicant and to partner with at least one other business, group or community organisation – or be seeking funding to explore potential partnerships. New projects - the purpose of the fund is to help <i>new</i> collaborative projects or partnerships get off the ground. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> political organisations. groups based overseas. groups involved in the promotion of religion. <p>Also, the Fund does not provide grants for ‘business-as-usual’, so if the project in question is considered part of your everyday portfolio, the Fund won’t be able to assist.</p>	<p>Application rounds are posted on the website. There generally three per year.</p> <p>The next round closes 31 October 2014.</p>	<p>www.workingtogether.org.nz</p> <p>Bede Martin Fund Administrator Working Together More Fund – He Pūtea Mahi Tahī P.O. Box 76166 Northwood Christchurch 8548</p> <p>bedemartin@xtra.co.nz</p> <p>021 230 2908</p>

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<p>WWF Habitat Protection Fund</p>	<p>Funds activities that help to protect or restore priority NZ habitats. The HPF offers donations of between \$1000 and \$10000 per annum, for up to three years.</p>	<p>The WWF Habitat Protection Fund is targeted at local community conservation groups based and working in New Zealand engaged in hands-on ecological restoration or conservation</p> <p>The current priorities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas with an active community involvement in conservation. • Freshwater environments and their catchments. • Coastal and dune systems. • Wetlands and estuaries. • Lowland and coastal forest communities. • Habitats of threatened indigenous species. 	<p>They do not fund national or regional umbrella groups.</p>	<p>Two applications rounds a year – 1 May and 1 October.</p>	<p>www.wwf.org.nz/what_we_do/community_funding/habitat_protection_fund/</p> <p>Jenny Lynch, Community Conservation Co-ordinator</p> <p>jlynch@wwf.org.nz</p> <p>04 815 8526</p>