

Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust

December 2013 Stakeholder Update

Over the past year we have endeavoured to keep you, as one of our Canterbury stakeholders, informed with regular updates of our progress. Feel free to share this latest update with others who might be interested, or direct them to our website where it can also be found.

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You may have seen our [half-page advertisement](#) in The Press on Saturday 7 December, reporting highlights of our recent activity, but given your roles in Canterbury we thought you may be interested in more detail about projects that have received Appeal Trust funds and the future focus of the Appeal Trust.

Focus continues on funding medium to large-sized permanent projects

Since early 2013 our Trustees have intentionally prioritised funds towards medium to large sized, permanent, projects valued at \$100,000 or more. This focus is continuing as we aim to make a positive difference in Canterbury with the remaining Appeal funds, for the coming 20-50 years while leaving a public legacy that honours the thousands of people who donated to the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal.

Recent highlights include:

- **\$1.5 million for social service providers to help children still struggling psychosocially**
Nearly three years after the 2011 earthquakes, social service providers advised us of a growing need to help address increasing numbers of children, young people and their families with psychosocial needs emerging since the earthquakes. Experienced and established social service providers in Canterbury – including Barnardos, Early Start, Family Help Trust, Methodist Mission, Presbyterian Support and Wellbeing North Canterbury Community Trust - will receive these funds to address their growing waiting lists of families seeking help to deal with children struggling with long term stress, behavioural and emotional issues as a result of the earthquakes. We have targeted our support at a range of providers who have the capability to expand their services for the next two years to meet these needs.
- **\$1 million towards a new youth and community centre in Aranui.**
Christchurch City Council is to build a new permanent facility for youth and community groups in Aranui – its first new community centre since the earthquakes – with the support of the Appeal Trust and Lion's Club International Foundation. The Appeal Trust has granted \$1 million towards the new facility, which includes a \$500,000 donation from an anonymous donor, and looks forward to building starting as soon as possible.

- \$15 million “Connecting the City to the Sea” - our largest grant to date.**
 Since announcing this grant on October 4, 2013, we have received a small number of queries from prospective recipients about how to access these funds for projects. The \$15 million will fund projects that help connect the city to the sea from Te Papa Otakaro/Avon River Precinct at Fitzgerald Avenue through eastern Christchurch and make a strong contribution to the social fabric of Canterbury, with access and benefit for all. “Connecting the City to the Sea” projects could include such things as permanently restoring environmental, recreation and sporting features, wetlands, walkways, cycle ways, public performance spaces, community spaces and play areas. The Appeal Trust is developing a framework for how decisions these projects will be made, and will provide further detail in March/April 2014.

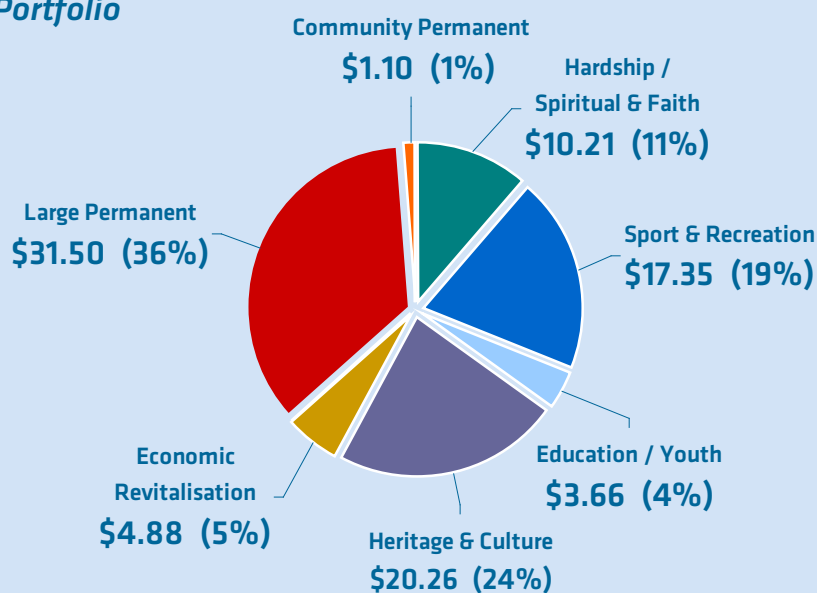
Future focus of the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust

Since 27 February 2011 the Appeal has raised \$100.63 million in pledged and received funds and channelled a total \$88 million in grants to projects across Canterbury. The Trustees expect to allocate the remaining \$5.57 million of Appeal funds to further large, permanent projects by end March 2014, and thereafter all grants will continue to be administered and monitored within the Department of Internal Affairs until the end of the Trust’s 10-year lifetime (2021).

Appeal funds status (as at 30 November 2013)

TOTAL PLEDGED & RECEIVED	\$100.63 million
<i>Approved</i>	\$88.96 million
<i>Donor-directed / specific projects</i>	\$6.11 million
REMAINING	\$5.57 million

Approved by Portfolio \$88.96(m)



Latest grant announcements

A full list of projects funded by the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust is always available at: christchurchappealtrust.org.nz/running-list

Latest grant announcements (since 1 July 2013)

Isaac Theatre Royal - \$1.5 million towards the rebuild and restoration of the Isaac Theatre Royal so it can re-open in 2014.

Music Centre - \$2.5 million towards a new Music Centre of Christchurch so it can again benefit thousands of professional, educational and community users with a 300-350 seat concert hall; two 100 seat concert spaces; arts admin spaces; teaching studios; examining and rehearsal spaces.

Hagley Oval pavilion - A \$3 million loan for the construction of the new pavilion at Hagley Oval, providing a new home ground for major cricket games and much needed community meeting spaces following the impact of the earthquakes on existing venues.

Pines Kairaki community hall - \$100,000 towards the rebuild of the earthquake damaged community hall.

Regional clubs and facilities - \$570,000 to repair and rebuild earthquake-damaged facilities for Canterbury Plunket, Christchurch Target Shooting* and at Rangiora Showgrounds*. *Thanks to contributions from the NZ Community Trust.

“Summer of Fun” - Up to \$400,000 for events throughout Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri Districts in 2014 and 2015.

Supporting children’s psychosocial needs - Up to \$1.5 million to help address the increasing psychosocial needs of children, young people and their families post earthquakes, through major social service providers including Barnardos, Early Start, Family Help Trust, Methodist Mission, Presbyterian Support and Wellbeing North Canterbury.

Increasing post-earthquake sport participation - \$222,000 for sport events and programmes in Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri managed by Sport Canterbury, to provide 30,000 people with the chance to participate once again in sports activities in their communities.

Surf Life Saving - Up to \$95,000 for temporary repairs and storage of surf life saving equipment and boats at Taylors Mistake, South Brighton, Waikuku and New Brighton.

Repairing school pools - Up to \$150,000 to repair school swimming pools at Linwood Avenue, Elmwood Normal, and St Albans Primary Schools for summer.

Boating and Yachting - \$400,000 to repair and replace access ramps to the water at Pleasant Point, Christchurch, Naval Point, Charteris Bay, Stewarts Gully and Waimakariri boating and yacht clubs for club members and the public.

Storage at Owles Terrace - \$50,000 towards the installation of temporary containers for boat and other equipment storage and amenities for flat-water sports at Owles Terrace flat-water sports hub.

Lyttelton Coastguard - \$400,000 towards a replacement coastguard facility in Lyttelton.

Digital cinema equipment - \$120,000 to equip the Isaac Theatre Royal with additional digital features to offer another performance dimension for all users, as well as provide a permanent central city venue for future film festivals.

Annual Report 2012/13

It was wonderful to see many of our grant recipients and stakeholders at the Avon Park Bowling Club on October 4, to hear Trustee Dr Rod Carr announce our largest grant to date - \$15 million towards "Connecting the City to the Sea" – and present highlights of grants made and donations received in 2012/13. We are very thankful for the \$2.6 million of new pledges and donations made in the past year, including 1,263 New Zealanders that donated their tax rebate (total \$325,708.57). This generosity has enabled the Trust to fund many more projects and continue helping Canterbury's wide range of communities as the region continues to recover three years after the September 2010 earthquakes. The full report is available from our website: christchurchappealtrust.org.nz/annual-report#2012-13

Advisory Board and Secretariat

The Trust has an Advisory Board of community representatives to provide additional local perspective and advice on specific proposals. The Department of Internal Affairs provides secretariat support to the Trust. The Secretariat is Wellington and Christchurch-based, and works closely with key agencies and representative groups in Christchurch (the Trust's 'external advisors') to identify, understand, and respond to earthquake-related need.

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