



# Horizons Regional Council Community Grant Guidelines

Horizons' community grants provide funding and advice to community groups who are helping make this Region a great place to live, work and play.

## Our Vision

It's our aim to be an organisation recognised for our expertise, innovation, and leadership in making this Region as great place to live, work and play.

We want to create opportunities for the Region to grow economically and socially in a way that preserves or enhances agreed environmental and cultural values.

Our community grants programme is designed to support community-led projects that will help us achieve those goals.

## Who can apply?

Community groups, schools, early childhood centres, and iwi/hapu groups are eligible for our community grants.

The project must be non-profit making.

## What can you apply for?

Our community grants programme focuses on helping you improve our Region's environment.

We're looking for projects that enhance our Region or encourage more people to engage with our natural environment.



### **What is not funded:**

The community grants programme cannot fund:

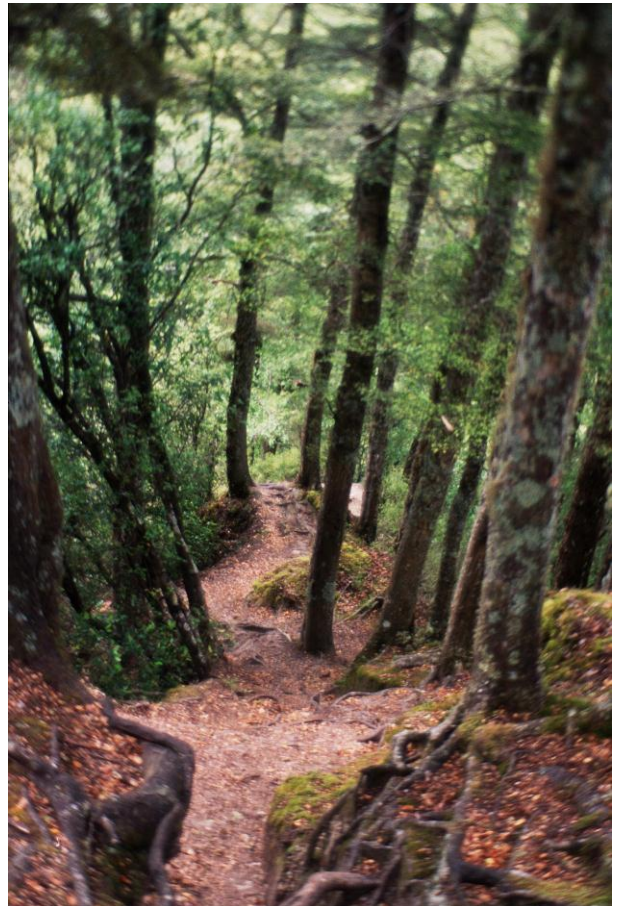
- Projects required as part of resource consent conditions or mitigation requirements
- Projects that may lead to a conflict of interest for Horizons as a regulating authority
- Retrospective funding for projects already completed
- Volunteer labour
- Projects resulting in commercial financial benefit
- Horizons Regional Council projects

### **Funding requirements:**

Permission from any landowner whose property the project is taking place on must be presented at time of application.

Funding must be uplifted prior to 30 June 2012.

Upon completion of the project, a brief report and any supporting imagery must be provided to Horizons Regional Council for reporting and promotional purposes.



## Community Grants Criteria:

Your application will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Environmental benefit
- Feasibility
- Community involvement
- Long-term benefits to Region

## What happens once you have sent in your application?

After we receive your application we will assess it against the criteria and other applications made.

We will let you know whether or not your application is successful by 30 April 2012.

## Tips for a successful application:

- Be clear and concise about what your project will achieve
- Include a project plan and realistic timeline
- Detail how the project's outcomes will be maintained in the long-term

## Sending in your application:

You can apply online [www.horizons.govt.nz](http://www.horizons.govt.nz) or via mail. Please post hardcopy applications to:

Community Grants  
Horizons Regional Council  
Private Bag 11025  
Manawatu Mail Centre 4442

**Applications close 4pm Friday 30 March 2012.**