



Information about Te Pou Consumer Leadership Development grant



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Before you start



This is a long document about Te Pou Consumer Leadership Development grant.



While it is written in Easy Read it can be hard for some people to read a document this long.



Some things you can do to make it easier are:

- read it a few pages at a time
- have someone help you to understand it.



What you will find in here

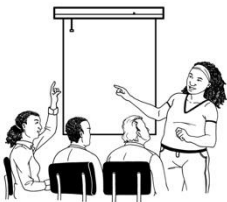
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About the grant



This is a document about
Te Pou **Consumer Leadership
Development grant.**



Consumer means:

- disabled people
- their family / whānau
- disabled persons organisations.



Leadership is about bringing people
together to work on making things
happen.



Development is about learning ways
to be good leaders.



A **grant** is money that is given to people to do things with.

A grant is not like a loan as you do not have to pay the money back.



The grant gives money to consumers to cover the costs of developing leadership skills.



Consumer leadership development grants can also be used to fund activities that will support **mana motuhake**.



Mana motuhake is about making decisions about your own life.

The amount of funding someone receives can come from:

- 1 application
- more than 1 application.



An **application** is when you ask someone in a formal way usually in writing if you can:

- do something
- have something.



A person who makes an application as an **individual** can receive funding of up to 5 thousand dollars per year.



Individual means 1 person.



An organisation that makes an application for a grant can receive funding of up to 80 thousand dollars per year.



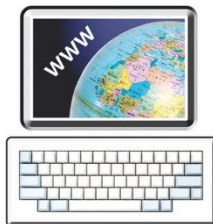
Sometimes the people who decide how much funding to give out might agree to give someone more than these amounts.



More funding will mean that more people can access training to improve their leadership skills.

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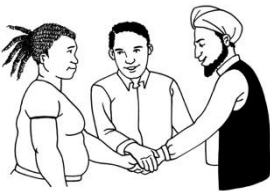
These skills should have a strong focus on the values set out by the Enabling Good Lives scheme.



You can find out more information about Enabling Good Lives at the website:

<https://www.enablinggoodlives.co.nz>

Who can apply for the grant?



Consumer leadership development grants can be given to:

- individuals
- organisations.



Individuals includes people **eligible** for disability support services funded by Whaikaha – Ministry of Disabled People such as:



- disabled people
- the family / whānau of disabled people



Eligible means you meet certain conditions that mean you can be chosen for something



Whaikaha
Ministry of Disabled People



If you apply for the grant as an individual you must be able to prove that you are eligible for disability support services.

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Ministry of Disabled People



You may still be eligible for the grant even if you are not getting disability support services at this time.



Individuals must also be either:

- a New Zealand **citizen**
- a New Zealand **permanent resident**.



A New Zealand **citizen** is someone who can get a New Zealand passport.



Most New Zealand citizens are born in New Zealand.

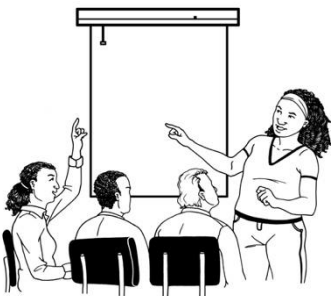


A New Zealand **permanent resident** is someone who the government says is allowed to live in New Zealand.

Disabled persons organisations who apply for the grant must be 1 of the following:



- getting funding from Whaikaha – Ministry of Disabled People to provide disability support services
- supported by an organisation funded by the Whaikaha – Ministry of Disabled People to deliver disability support services
- a Disabled Persons Organisation that is part of the **Disabled Persons Organisations Coalition**.



The organisations that make up the Disabled Persons Organisations Coalition are:



- Balance Aotearoa
- Blind Citizens of New Zealand Incorporated
- Deaf Aotearoa
- Disabled Persons' Assembly New Zealand Incorporated
- Muscular Dystrophy Association of New Zealand Incorporated
- People First New Zealand / Ngā Tāngata Tuatahi.

Other organisations who do not work with a disability support service may still be eligible to apply for the grant.

How the grant can be used



Consumer leadership development grants can be used to pay the fees for:

- courses
- conferences
- workshops.



They can also be used to pay for things that might be needed such as:

- workbooks
- tutors / presenters.



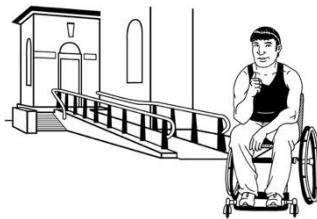
Money from the grant can also be used to cover any accessibility costs for disabled people such as:



- paying for travel costs so you can get to a course / workshop
- paying for a place to stay if you need to be away from home while taking a course / workshop
- paying people who will support you while you learn.



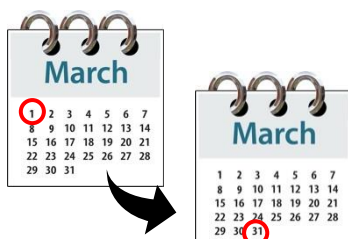
The grant cannot be used to cover any costs that are not directly linked to leadership activities.



It is important that any leadership activity that you apply for a grant to fund will:

- help you improve your leadership skills
- benefit disabled people
- be accessible for disabled people
- not already be fully funded by any other organisations
- start in the same year that you got the grant
- take place in New Zealand.

How to apply for the grant



The grant opens from **1 March 2023** until midday on **31 March 2023**.



Applications for the grant must be done online by visiting a link on the Te Pou website called the **online grants portal**.

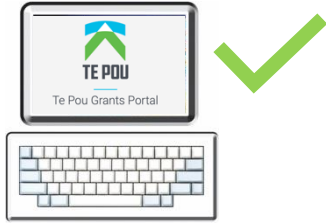


Before you can apply for the grant you will need to register with us on the online grants portal at:

<https://grantsportal.tepou.co.nz/SignIn>



You can register with us at any time before the grant opens.



The online portal will save any details you enter.



Before you can continue with your grant application we will check that your registration is okay.



You must wait until the grant is open before you can send us your grant application.



It is a good idea to make sure you send us your grant application at least 1 week before the grant closes.



It is also important that you tell us if you have ever been given any grant funding from Te Pou before.



We will tell you if your grant application was successful by end of April 2023

Who is the most likely to get the grant?

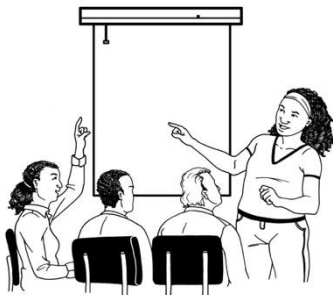


It is important to remember that lots of people apply for the grant every time a round is open.



This means that not everyone will get the grant they apply for.

Grant applications that are the most likely to be successful will:



- show a good understanding of how best to develop leadership skills
- follow the values set out by Enabling Good Lives.

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Strong applications will also show a good awareness of the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**.



You can read more about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the Easy Read document:

International agreement on the rights of disabled people



You can find this document on the Office for Disability Issues website at:

<https://www.odi.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/easy-read-un-convention.pdf>

Who to contact to find out more



You should talk to Te Pou if you have any questions:

- about the grant
- about applying for the grant.



You can talk to us:



by email at: **Grants@tepou.co.nz**



by phone on:

- **09 301 3726** to speak to Ally our Grants Administrator
- **09 975 8496** to speak to Lea our Grants Administrator





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