

GRANT APPLICATION



The Rural Communities Trust is based on the “helping hand” concept – helping people to help themselves and is committed to restoring an equality of life to rural communities through funding for services and amenities.

To be eligible to receive a grant, an individual, family or community group must be from a small rural area. The Rural Communities Trust defines rural as a town with a population of less than 2,000 or slightly larger if there is no industry, or a rural district.

Grants normally range from \$250.00 - \$3,000.00 but are variable and are subject to the need and circumstances of the applicant/s. Grants may be made for less than the amount applied for and subject to the balance of project funds being raised through other sources.

The Trust will not:

- *Fund applications for course of study*
- *Fund wages and salaries*
- *Fund the purchase of a vehicle/s*
- *Provide set-up grants*
- *Provide on-going funding*
- *Fund profit-making organisations, businesses or consultants for general purposes*
- *Fund overseas or national travel*
- *Provide funds for costs deemed as general purposes*
- *Provide another grant to the same individual, family or group within three years of being a successful grant recipient.*

Final Grant Round Dates for 2023 are 31 March & 30 September.

All applications can be emailed to ruralcommunitiestrust@fedfarm.org.nz or can be posted to

The Secretary
Rural Communities Trust
c/- Federated Farmers
PO Box 447
Hamilton 3204

All applications will be acknowledged within 5 days of being received. Both successful and unsuccessful applicants will be acknowledged via email.



Application for Assistance

Contact Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

We wish to apply to the Rural Communities Trust for the sum of \$ _____

Specific item/s for which funding is requested _____

Project Overview _____

Financial Details of the Project:

Total Cost of the Project: \$ _____

Funding secured towards this project:

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Organisation Funds \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Funds still required: \$ _____

Indication of our organisation's income bracket:

Under \$15,000

\$15,000 - \$30,000

\$30,000 - \$45,000

Over \$45,000

Is your Organisation **registered for GST?**

Yes / No (please indicate)

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How did you hear about the Rural Communities Trust?

Further information to be supplied:

1. A full outline of the project for which financial support is required and the benefits to the community that will be derived from making this application.
2. The most recent set of accounts for your organisation.
3. Evidence that some substantial contribution has been made, or will be made by the applicant towards completion of the project.
4. A written reference from a member of the community about your organisation.
5. A second written reference from a referee who may be contacted by the Trustees for further information in support of this application. This reference should provide an independent assessment of the merits of this project.
6. A copy of a bank deposit slip for the account you would like the funds placed should you be successful with your grant application.

Referee Contact Details:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

We agree to supply such further information as the Trustees request in support of this application. Should this application be successful we agree to submit an interim report outlining the progress of the project, and a subsequent report when the project finally reaches its conclusion.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____