

What we don't fund

Foundation North aims to be a broad community funder, but we cannot fund everything that may be needed by your organisation.

Here is a list of exclusions and limitations:

Costs that are regarded as being primarily the responsibility of central or local Government. We acknowledge however that many community building projects and iconic projects can only be funded in partnership with central and local government.

The Foundation will not fund:

- Schools including school facilities, school resources, school equipment, school classrooms, school uniforms, IT suites in schools and administration blocks, school halls, school gymnasiums, school swimming pools, school gardens & core education provision (core curriculum delivery)
- External providers delivering programmes or resources into schools that can be regarded as part of the delivery of core Ministry of Education curriculum
- New early childhood education centres
- Council-maintained sports fields
- Roads and street lighting
- Core health and social services (including salaries of health professionals, Primary Health Organisations, District Health Boards, hospitals, clinics, core primary healthcare, medical equipment (hospital and dental))
- Tertiary education institutions and related clubs (including teaching and buildings). We may occasionally fund projects where there is a direct benefit to community. This is limited to one application per year via the University's Foundation.
- Academic research

Food programmes:

- Food programmes delivered into schools
- Foodbanks – regional bodies must demonstrate a strategic and regional approach to operating foodbanks and food delivery programmes.

Applicants should discuss their request with us before submitting an application. Where possible foodbank-related applications will be considered from umbrella churches on behalf of their individual parishes and community organisations where practicable; however applications will be accepted from local churches where the umbrella church is unable to meet the needs due to distribution or other logistical issues. A maximum grant of up to \$50,000 will be considered for foodbank costs associated with either food or food vouchers.

Operating costs:

- Operating costs (including coaching costs) for sports clubs
- Operating costs and management salaries for the operation of facilities
- Organisations that receive 80% of their income from regular government contracts are not eligible to apply for operating costs.
- We will not fund operating costs at more than 30% of organisation's total expenditure (based on the previous year's financial statements).
- Hospice and aged care facilities, services and operating costs

Building facilities:

- Feasibility studies, needs analysis, project plan development, Quantity Surveyor or architectural drawings
- Building of accommodation or residential housing; upgrades or maintenance costs may be considered in some cases
- Purchase of buildings
- Leaky building repairs as defined in the Weather Tight Home Resolution Services Act
- If Foundation North has provided a grant over \$1 million or has been at least a 50% funder of a large capital project, it is unlikely to consider any further funding application within five years of that grant.
- Top-ups or over-expenditures on projects already funded.
- Camps – funding will be considered for high use camp facilities only (those which are consistently well-used throughout the year and widely accessible by schools). Funding is limited to assisting camps meet health and safety standards with a primary focus on kitchen and ablution.

- Hospice and aged care facilities, services and operating costs
- Project management costs for Marae facilities development will be capped at 10% of total project costs

Other facilities:

- Swimming pools
 - Playing surfaces
 - Council-maintained sports fields
 - Landscaping
 - Carparks
- Funding up to \$10,000 every two years will be considered for Early Childhood Education facilities. Facilities close to schools in Decile 1 to 3 or communities in areas with deprivation indices 8 to 10 (using NZ Deprivation Index for the area) will be considered for funding.
- Applications will be considered for play equipment and / or outdoor area upgrades including shade sails.

Financial:

- Legal costs
- Retrospective funding
- Debt repayment
- Refinancing of existing loans
- Endowments

International costs:

- Travel and other costs incurred overseas
- Overseas aid

Sports uniforms and equipment:

- For individual ownership
- For warm up purposes
- For use during travel

We will consider funding communal / shared uniforms and sports equipment for children aged between 5 and 18 years, and low participation communities and where barriers to participation exist (such as Māori, Asian, young women, and people from low socioeconomic communities), in alignment with Sport NZ focus areas 2015-2020.

Projects seeking to promote religious or political objectives

Individuals

Projects that create benefit, especially financially, for private owners (except for Nga Whenua Rahui legal agreements or land under QE II Covenant).

Fundraising activities and organisations

Funding to attend and / or run conferences

Staff vehicles

Rescue helicopters, and fire and ambulance services

Floodlights for isolated communities – funding up to \$25,000 under Quick Response Grants will be considered.

Organisations that focus on a single health issue – funding up to \$25,000 under Quick Response Grants will be considered.

If you have any questions, or need help with your application, please give us a call on 0800 272 878