

Further information - Maori Community Suicide Prevention Fund 2020/2021

Introduction – Overview of the Fund

Supported by He Tapu te Oranga o ia Tangata: Every Life Matters Suicide Prevention Strategy. Te Au will see \$1.6 million disbursed via Māori Community Suicide Prevention Funds to whānau, hapū, iwi, Māori communities and Māori providers to address suicide and its impacts.

The Māori Community Suicide Prevention Fund is one off funding that will support Māori initiatives in 2020-2021 to build the capacity of Māori whānau, hapū and iwi to prevent suicide within communities and respond effectively if and when a suicide occurs.

Fund applications open 1st July and close 30th July 2020. Applications submitted are appraised at the end of the fund close date and funding is allocated accordingly.

The overarching goal of the fund is to build the capacity of Māori whānau, hapū and iwi to prevent suicide within communities and to respond effectively when a suicide occurs.

Who can apply?

If you identify as Māori, there are a range of areas you can apply including:

- Whānau or hapū group
- A local Māori community or advocacy group
- An Iwi or Māori Organisation
- A Regional or National collaboration between whānau, hapū, Iwi or Māori Organisations.

This may include non-profit organisations, non-government organisations

If you are not a legal entity – you can apply for up to \$10,000.00 if you have a verified bank account in your whānau or hapū name. Otherwise you will need to identify a funding partner who can umbrella your fund.

Who cannot apply?

- Government Organisations
- Commercial or for-profit organisations
- Political, religious or lobby groups
- District Health Boards
- PHOs
- Tertiary Education Providers
- Research Institutes
- Commercial entity, for profit business

How does the Māori Community Fund work?

Māori interested in enhancing the wellbeing of their communities, through suicide prevention and postvention responses can apply for the Māori Community Fund.

What is the average funding amount awarded?

There are four categories of funding available.

- Māori Whānau and Hapū can apply for up to \$10,000
- Māori Community or Advocacy Groups can apply for up to \$25,000
- Iwi and Māori Providers can apply for up to \$50,000
- Collaborations between Iwi or Māori Providers can apply for up to \$100,000

Can we get funding if we are not a legal entity or registered charity?

If you are a Māori Whānau or Hapū group you can apply for up to \$10,000 provided you have a bank account that verifies your account name or you can seek support of a Māori provider with legal entity to umbrella your fund. Otherwise, the majority of funding will be to legal and charitable entities.

How much is in the Māori Community Fund?

In each of the four categories of funding – Whānau and Hapū, Māori Community and Advocacy Groups, Iwi and Māori Organisations and Collaborations between Iwi or Māori Providers is the equal division of funds to the total of \$400,000.00.

What can be funded?

Initiatives that:

1. enable Māori to actively engage in the development of solutions to reduce suicide and increase wellbeing
2. support the design, development, implementation, or evaluation of initiatives across the suicide prevention continuum.
3. attend New Zealand based suicide prevention education or training opportunities
4. seed funding for the development of kaupapa Māori service design or developments
5. build the evidence base and Mātauranga Māori of what works for Māori

What will not be funded?

Initiatives that are about:

- ongoing service delivery and staffing
- supervision or mentoring fees or costs
- lease or purchase of vehicles
- rent, lease, or purchase of building or premises
- international travel
- any ongoing fees or licenses
- capital purchases over \$5,000

Funding for Whānau & Hapū

Successful applications from whānau & hapū groups will be treated as grant funding – requiring applicants to provide progress reports and appropriate financial information. The successful applicant will need to agree to complete a profile (of their initiative) and take part in an evaluation of the Fund.

Assessment Criteria

All applications will be assessed by an external evaluation panel comprising of experienced sector and community leaders, lived experience, and whanau. The final recommendations from the Panel will be made to the Chief Executive of Te Rau Ora for sign-off

The desired outcomes of the Fund are that successful initiatives support the vision, and goals of Every Life Matters – He Tapu te Oranga o ia Tangata - the New Zealand Strategy and Action Plan to prevent suicide in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Key assessment criteria include:

- The alignment of the initiative with the aims and goals of the Fund
- The experience, capacity and capability of the applicant
- The need in the target community or population group
- The ability for the initiative to be completed within the expected time and budget

Key Dates for the Fund

There are four key stages to the funding application round	
1 July - 31 July 2020	Stage One: Application for funding
1 August – 31 August 2020	Stage Two: Assessment, & contracting
1 September – 31 March 2021.	Stage Three: Design & Implementation