

29 November 2022

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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

I refer to your request received on 7 November 2022 which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for the following information:

From the inception of the Arts and Culture COVID Recovery Programme until November 2022:

1. *How many of the funding recipients listed on the Manatū Taonga website were from Wairarapa? For the purposes of this OIA, this includes Masterton/Carterton/South Wairarapa.*
2. *If none of the successful applicants were from Wairarapa, how many applicants (per fund) were based in the Wairarapa?*

Since the inception of the Arts and Culture COVID Recovery Programme until 23 November 2022, there was a total of ten funded recipients from the Wairarapa. This is summarised in the table below. Where the list of funding recipients has been published, the names of the recipients have been included.

Of the Arts and Culture COVID Recovery Programme funding recipients, the following were based in Wairarapa:

Fund	Number of funded recipients from Wairarapa region	Names of recipients (where publicly available)
Arts and Culture Event Support Scheme	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manuka Farms NZ LTD trading as Taniwhas Den • Limitless Touring Limited • Wairarapa Wines Harvest Festival Incorporated
Creative Spaces	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fareham Creative Space Trust
Commemorating Waitangi Day Fund 2022	1	
Cultural Sector Emergency Relief - Grant for self-employed individuals	5	
Total number of funding recipients from Wairarapa:	10 recipients	

Within the funds where there were no successful applicants from the Wairarapa, there were a total of eight applicants from the Wairarapa. This is summarised in the table below.

Of the unsuccessful applicants for funding, the following were based in Wairarapa:

Fund	Number of applicants/expressions of interest from Wairarapa region
Cultural Sector Emergency Relief – Organisations	2 applicants
Cultural Sector Regeneration Fund	5 EOI. As of 24 November 2022, none have been approved for funding. Unsuccessful applicants from Round One can have their proposal reconsidered in up to four subsequent rounds, by providing limited additional information. As at 24 November 2022, there are three future evaluation rounds scheduled. <i>Expressions of interest were required for an initiative to be considered for funding through the Cultural Sector Regeneration Fund, with strong applicants able to submit a Full Proposal by the relevant submission time frame.</i>
Cultural Sector Capability Fund	1 applicant
Total number of unsuccessful applicants from Wairarapa:	8 applicants/expressions of interest

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact ويا@mch.govt.nz.

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