



Te Rūnanga o NGĀI TAHU



He Oranga Pounamu

Te Putea Manaaki Canterbury Earthquake Fund

INFORMATION SHEET

How this fund has become available

Te Putea Manaaki Canterbury Earthquake Fund was established following the earthquake on 4th September 2010 which affected many homes in the Canterbury region. The significance of the damage and effect to people's lives in the region from that and the subsequent aftershocks has led to Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, other iwi, individuals, groups, organisations and businesses contributing funds to be allocated to residents of Canterbury affected by the earthquake.

Relief grants

In order to assist those who have suffered difficulties as a result of the earthquake, Te Runanga O Ngai Tahu is inviting those who have experienced an impact on their financial situation, are in situations of hardship or difficulty and where other avenues of assistance are not available or are already being utilised to make application.

The purpose of this fund is to provide assistance of up to \$500 per individual or up to \$1,000 per whanau who, as a result of the Canterbury Earthquake require:

- i. Support of whanau health and social needs (whanau wellbeing) arising from the Earthquakes;
- ii. Provision of home heating required as a result of the Earthquakes; and
- iii. Assistance with immediate or urgent assistance with day to day living essentials arising as a direct result of the Earthquakes; and
- iv. Assistance with relocation as a direct result of the earthquakes.

Applicants are encouraged to seek what other assistance they may be entitled to for example (from their local council, Red Cross or government agencies) before completing this application.

Please note: receipt of assistance from other sources will not affect your eligibility to receive assistance from this earthquake fund. For more information about other assistance available and for other earthquake related information go to <http://canterburyearthquake.org.nz/>

If you wish to apply to this fund please complete and return this form to: He Oranga Pounamu, P O Box 13713 Christchurch 8141.

Criteria

In order to be eligible for this grant:

The individual or whanau must be experiencing hardship or difficulties as a result of the Canterbury earthquakes and are faced with:

- i. Financial Hardship: Difficulties in meeting basic costs of living as a result of the earthquakes i.e. unemployment, unanticipated expenses i.e. rates, legal or specialist advice, shared households;
- ii. Isolation: Difficulties in completing family tasks relating to transport (shopping for household goods, participation in recreational activities i.e.; sports practices, contact with whānau, community events or functions, participation in educational or development activities i.e. attendance at school, course, university);

- iii. Physiological Deprivation: Families are faced with difficulties in maintaining a minimum level of warmth, comfort, or physical wellbeing in their homes as a result of the earthquakes;
- iv. Relocation: As a result of the earthquakes individuals or families require support with costs associated with relocating to another property or area;
- v. Exhausted all other avenues of support; Families have sought support from a range of existing pathways (Red Cross Grants, WINZ, HNZ)
- vi. Been resident in Canterbury district on either 4 September 2010, 22 February 2011, 13 June 2011, or 31 December 2011

Only one application will be considered per household (flatmates should apply jointly and bank account details should match names on the lease) and the grant is given on a one-off basis.

Please provide material supporting the application and demonstrating that your circumstances are due to the earthquake. Your name, address and supporting information must be clearly legible.

Amounts

Where an application is successful, the amount of the grant will be up to \$500 to an individual or up to \$1,000 per whanau, depending on your situation and the evidence you provide of the difficulties, hardship, or loss. However the amount of the grant will depend on circumstances and the dollar amounts stated above are a guideline.

Process

In order to apply for a grant, you must complete Te Putea Manaaki Canterbury Earthquake Fund application form available from 0800 KAI TAHU (0800 524 8248), visit www.hop.org.nz to download an application form. Depending on your circumstance a Kaitoko Whanau may be able to assist with completion of your application.

Please complete **all** of the questions on the application form and attach supporting documentation.

Applications can be lodged by:

Post: P O Box 13713, Christchurch 8141

Delivered to: 50 Corsair Drive, Wigram

All grants are subject to the availability of the funding. Funds are limited and will be paid out in order of the applications received. No more than one grant will be paid per household.

Enquiries for assistance

If you have any questions relating to the grant, please contact the 0800 KAI TAHU (0800 524 8248) call centre and ask for the Kaiwhiri Ru Whenua to assist you with your enquiry or get in contact with the Kaitoko Whanau worker supporting your application.



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APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Applicant's details:

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr etc) _____ Male Female

Surname/Family Name _____ First names _____

Usual residential address prior to earthquake: _____

Current residential address: _____

Current postal address: _____

Daytime phone number _____ Other phone number _____

Email address: _____

Names of other people usually living with you at your residential address on the day of the earthquake:

Names:	Relationship to applicant:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please outline the nature of the difficulties, hardship, or losses and the impact on your circumstances that you have experienced (attach further details if required eg. photos, accounts, receipts, letters etc.)

Has anyone in your household applied for or received financial assistance from any other organisation relating to the earthquake? Yes No

If you answered Yes please provide the organisation name and the amount received.

Organisation	Nature of assistance	Amount received
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____

Please tick the nature of assistance you are applying for and indicate the amount you are seeking.

- Fuel Vouchers \$____ Food Vouchers \$____ Influenza Voucher \$____
 Payment of Power Bills \$____ Clothing \$____ Doctors Visit Voucher \$____
 Heating Device Vouchers \$____ Gas/Firewood \$____ Blankets/Sleeping Bags \$____
 Discretionary vouchers or other assistance to support exceptional circumstances in particular the needs of tamariki affected by the Earthquakes (including school fees, clothing requirements and educational needs) \$_____
 Relocation Package - Assistance with Relocation Costs (within Christchurch or outside of Christchurch) as a direct result of the Earthquakes \$_____

Please state the amount you are seeking assistance for \$_____

Kaitoko Whanau (or ESC) summary of why the application is supported as it relates to outlined criteria (attach separate page if necessary):

Please check that you have attached all the following:

- Proof of identity e.g. copy of Drivers Licence, Passport, Community Services Card
 Documentation and/or other material supporting this application and confirming that the hardship or loss is due to the earthquake.
 A copy of an electricity account or a telephone account or a bank statement sent to your usual residential address dated between 1 July 2010 and 31 Dec 2011 showing your name and the address.
 Attach either a printed deposit slip for a bank account showing your name and bank account number OR a copy of a bank statement showing your name and bank account number.

For statistical purposes please confirm your ethnicity (circle);	Māori	NZ European	Pacific	Asian	Other
Please list any iwi affiliations;					

Please note: that the Funder may request additional information or seek an interview with the applicant. Only one application will be considered for each household and all grants are subject to funding availability.

Declaration:

The personal information provided in this application to He Oranga Pounamu / Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu will be used primarily to assess and respond to your request for earthquake assistance. Personal information received is held securely and will not be disclosed to any other persons, except for the purposes of administering or providing services in connection with provision of earthquake assistance, or any other purpose that has been authorised by you or as required or authorised by law.

Failure to provide information sought may result in decline of the application. The Privacy Act 1993 gives you the right to access and request correction of personal information held by entities referred to above. Check and correct your information by email to grants@hop.org.nz or write to He Oranga Pounamu, P O Box 13713, Christchurch 8141.

Signature of the applicant: _____ Date: _____

For provider office use only:	(Please print provider name)	
Signature of Kaitoko or ESC:	Print name:	Signature:
Provider Endorsement:	Print name:	Signature: