

Ethnic Communities Development Fund

Successful recipients October 2025

Organisation	Decision	Amount	Project Name	Location
Priority 1. Take action to promote the value of diversity and improve inclusion of ethnic communities				
Alliance Francaise Palmerston North Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Fête de la Musique 2026	Manawatu-Whanganui
Ashburton District Neighbourhood Support	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Cultural Whanau Day	Canterbury
Ashburton Indian Multicultural Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Ashburton Diwali	Canterbury
Botany Chinese Association	Partially Fund	\$6,500.00	Mid-Autumn Festival, Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Central Districts Indian Association Inc	Partially Fund	\$20,000.00	Diwali Mela 2025	Manawatu-Whanganui
Child Abuse Prevention Foundation	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Building Strong Foundations for Arabic Speaking Parents	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Dunedin Malayali Association (DMA)	Partially Fund	\$12,000.00	Onam Celebration	Otago
Horowhenua District Council	Fund	\$9,500.00	Diwali - Festival of Lights	Manawatu-Whanganui
Indian Social & Cultural Club (CHCH) Incorporated	Fund	\$10,000.00	Diwali 2025	Canterbury

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LIBYAN SOCIETY IN NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED	Partially Fund	\$3,500.00	Libyan Independence Day 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Multi Cultural Council of Rangitikei/Wanganui Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$3,950.00	Feast and Festival for Rangitikei community	Manawatu-Whanganui
Multicultural Whangarei Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Colours in the Park	Northland - Taitokerau
New Zealand Nattukottai Nagarathar Sangam	Partially Fund	\$4,000.00	Deepavali Celebration	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Northland Indian Association Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Diwali - India Through the Lens of Bollywood – A Musical	Northland - Taitokerau
Northshore Community events ltd	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Northshore Diwali Festival 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
OTAHUHU BUSINESS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED	Partially Fund	\$20,000.00	Otahuhu Ethnic Food Festival 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Sherpa Society of New Zealand	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Mid Year Cultural Gathering, Sports & Lungdhar Program	Tasman-Nelson
SINGH SPORTS AND CULTURAL CLUB	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Punjabi Language week events 2025	Hawkes Bay - Te Matāu a Māui
TAIRAWHITI MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Diwali - Festival of Lights	Gisborne - Tairāwhiti
The South Dunedin Community Network Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$3,000.00	South Dunedin Community Network Community Hui - Celebrating the Diversity of our Community	Otago

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Wellington Punjabi Women Association	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	6th Punjabi Language Week 2 November 2025	Wellington
Whangarei Satsang Ramayan Mandali	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Community Diwali Celebration	Northland - Taitokerau
Yoruba South Island New Zealand Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$3,500.00	Yoruba South Island New Zealand Quiz night	Canterbury

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Priority 2. Ensure equitable provision of, and access to, Government services for ethnic communities				
Bhartiya Samaj Lower North Island Trust	Fund	\$5,000.00	Ethnic Community Safety Forum	Hawkes Bay - Te Matāu a Māui
Japanese Society of Auckland Incorporated	Fund	\$10,000.00	Japan Day 2026	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand African Community Health Services	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	African Health Expositions	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Southland Migrant Walking Together Organisation and Multilingual and Activity Centre Charitable Trust	Fund	\$10,000.00	Inclusion and Integratin workshops	Southland

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Priority 3. Develop and support initiatives to improve economic outcomes, including addressing barriers to employment				
Support Services for Humanity (SSH)	Partially Fund	\$3,700.00	Technology Transfer for immigrants Project	Waikato

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Priority 4. Work to connect and empower ethnic community groups				
Ashburton Warriors Club	Fund	\$10,880.00	Ethnic Sports Program	Canterbury
Ashburton Warriors Club	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Volleywood: Battle of the Stars - Season 3	Canterbury
Bhartiya Samaj Queenstown Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	DIWALI 2025	Otago
Bihar Jharkhand Sabha of Australia and New Zealand	Partially Fund	\$3,100.00	BJSM Chhath & Deepawali Celebration	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Canterbury Indian Tamil Association	Partially Fund	\$7,000.00	CITA - Events and Outreach Programs	Canterbury
Clutha Filipino Society Inc.	Partially Fund	\$5,450.00	Celebration and Sport Event	Otago
Devbhoomi Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Diwali 2025	Wellington
GanEn Taichi Academy New Zealand Incorporated	Fund	\$7,500.00	Gratitude Taichi Practices	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau

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Migrant Neuro-Inclusion Network	Partially Fund	\$3,265.00	Unboxing Neurodiversity – Pop-up Exhibitions and Information Sharing	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Nepal New Zealand Friendship Society of Canterbury Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Celebrating Nepalese Culture and Language in Christchurch	Canterbury
New Zealand Chinese Youth Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	2025 October Chiness Holiday Programme & Youth Leadership Development	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand Friendship Wellbeing Association	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Multi Ethinc Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand Sri Lanka Cultural Foundation Limited	Fund	\$6,288.00	Sri Lankan cultural workshop programme	Canterbury
New Zealand Sri Lanka Performing Arts Circle	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Susara Suyamaya Musical Event	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Sarbojanin Puja Sangha Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Durga Puja Celebration 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Southland Migrant Walking Together Organisation and Multilingual and Activity Centre Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$8,000.00	Ethnic Legal Support	Southland
WELLBEING CHARITABLE TRUST BOARD	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	A Cross-Cultural Navigation Framework for Ethnic Communities in Aotearoa	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Wilderness Canoe Trust	Fund	\$6,760.00	Canoe Connections: Exploring Aotearoa's Wilderness	Tasman-Nelson

Total funds disbursed: \$327,893.00