

Ethnic Communities Development Fund

Successful recipients April 2025

Organisation	Decision	Amount	Project Name	Location
Priority 1. Take action to promote the value of diversity and improve inclusion of ethnic communities				
AKAL FOUNDATION	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	NZ DIWALI 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Bhartiya Samaj Lower North Island Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Baisakhi Mela 2025	Hawkes Bay - Te Matāu a Māui
Bhartiya Samaj Lower North Island Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Manawatu Diwali 2025	Manawatu-Whanganui
Hindu Council of Hawkes Bay Incorporated	Fund	\$20,000.00	Hawkes Bay Diwali 2025	Hawkes Bay - Te Matāu a Māui
Holocaust Centre of New Zealand Incorporated	Fund	\$123,140.00	As They Were - New Zealand Holocaust Survivors: Their Stories, Their Lives.	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Iranian Women in NZ (IWIN)	Fund	\$15,000.00	Art & Culture Project for Iranian and Afghan immigrant communities	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
'NAAD' CHARITABLE TRUST (NZ)	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Naad Music Festival 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand Arab Association	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	First Voices: Empowering Young Learners through Mother Tongues	Manawatu-Whanganui
New Zealand Indonesia Association	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Indonesian Language Month	Wellington

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Sarbojanin Puja Sangha Incorporated	Fund	\$4,000.00	Bangla New Year Celebration and Cultural Program 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
SlavFest Educational Charitable Trust	Fund	\$9,468.00	SlavFest 3 2025	Wellington
Snapback Gym 'Toe a'e se tofa' Gym Trust	Partially Fund	\$14,800.00	Muslima Fit-Muslim Women's Empowerment Programmes	Manawatu- Whanganui
Southland Multicultural Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Southland Multicultural Food Festival 2025	Southland
Sri Lankan Society of New Zealand Inc.	Fund	\$4,960.00	Eid Al Fitr Cultural Festival	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
The Nepalese Society of Wellington Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Everest Day Celebration	Wellington
United Filipinos in Mid Canterbury	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Philippines Cultural Heritage Performances and Fashion Show	Canterbury
Vietnamese Buddhist Thien Thai Monastery Association Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$3,875.00	Vietnamese Vu Lan Festival: A Celebration of Gratitude and Filial Piety	Wellington
Wellington Punjabi Women Association	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Annual Punjabi Ladies Cultural Night	Wellington
Wushu Development of New Zealand Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	New Zealand Chinese Cultural Experience Program	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau

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Priority 2. Ensure equitable provision of, and access to, Government services for ethnic communities				
Adhikaar Aotearoa	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Ethnic Communities Network - 2025 In-Person Hui	Waikato

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Priority 3. Develop and support initiatives to improve economic outcomes, including addressing barriers to employment				
Allyship Projects	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Boosting Latin American Business	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Settlers Family and Community Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Creative Hub – Supporting Refugees into Economic Independence	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
NEW ZEALAND - CHINA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED	Fund	\$10,250.00	KiwiSaver Education for Chinese Immigrants	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
NEW ZEALAND - CHINA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Empowering Chinese Incorporated Societies for Compliance and Sustainability	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
NZ Indian Business Association	Partially Fund	\$3,320.00	Workshop on Workplace Law Updates	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau

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Priority 4. Work to connect and empower ethnic community groups				
Abroad-Global	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Empowering Communities, Inclusion and Well-being program	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Africanz Unlimited Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$17,000.00	Guiding Boys into Men (Padare)	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Aroha NZ Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Weave -Woven by Women-Cultural event to celebrate women's empowerment through fashion, food, and performances	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
As-habul Imaan Muslim Youth Association	Fund	\$10,000.00	As-Habul Imaan One-Year Youth Development Plan	Waikato
BANYUHAY AOTEAROA CHARITABLE TRUST	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Santacruzán 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Chinese Senior Citizens Health Exercise Group Inc	Partially Fund	\$14,425.00	Taichi, Qi Gong & other Health Exercise	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Filipino Community in Central Otago FCCONZ Incorporated	Fund	\$5,075.00	Otago Filiino Intercommunity 127th Philippine Independence Day Celebration	Otago
Indian Cultural Society (Waikato) Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	ETHNIC FOOD FESTIVAL	Waikato
Iranian Friendship Group East Auckland	Fund	\$10,000.00	Building Community Connection and Wellbeing Initiative	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Japanese Family Society of Queenstown	Partially Fund	\$10,700.00	Community Learning and Cultural Exchange Initiative	Otago

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Lebanity Enterprise NZ Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Aotearoa Arabic Online	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Lebanity Enterprise NZ Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Lebanese Saturday Classes "From Ahla w Sahla to Zaatar w Zayt"	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
LIBYAN SOCIETY IN NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED	Fund	\$3,200.00	Islamic New Year Community Festival 2025	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Netsafe Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Multicultural Day online safety video	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand African Community Health Services	Partially Fund	\$4,100.00	African Health Expo	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand Arab Association	Partially Fund	\$4,300.00	Eid Al Adha	Manawatu-Whanganui
New Zealand Chinese Youth Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Cultural Holiday Programme	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
New Zealand Muslim Association	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	NZMA Multi-cultural Awards and Appreciation Night	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
OMKAR BHUTANESE CANTERBURY TRUST	Partially Fund	\$3,000.00	Cultural festival Celebration -Shiva Ratri, Ram Nawami, Krishna Janmastai, Nepali women's day, Durga Utshab and elderly bus.	Canterbury
PAKISTAN AND FRIENDS HAWKE'S BAY AHLULBAYT ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED	Partially Fund	\$13,428.00	Nowruz, Eid al Fitr, Muharram, and Eid al Adha Events	Hawkes Bay - Te Matāu a Māui

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Rewi Alley Chinese School	Partially Fund	\$1,000.00	Chinese Children's Day 2025	Canterbury
Southland Sri Lankan Society Inc	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Organising Sri Lankan Traditional New Year Celebration 2025	Southland
Sri Lankan Society of New Zealand Inc.	Fund	\$3,400.00	Sports for community	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Sri Lankan Society of New Zealand Inc.	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Community All together to celebrate Eid al-Adha	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Sri Lankan Society of New Zealand Inc.	Fund	\$4,850.00	Community Ifthar	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
The NZ Jewish Community Security Group Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$60,000.00	Annual Analysis and Reporting on On Anti-Semitism in Aotearoa New Zealand	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
The Women's Helping Hand Trust NZ	Partially Fund	\$18,600.00	Ethnic Women Weekly Wellbeing, Development and Mental Wellness Classes and Annual Festival Celebrations.	Canterbury
Vietnamese Buddhist Thien Thai Monastery Association Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$4,180.00	Buddh Purnima (Vesak)	Wellington
Waikato Indian Sports club	Fund	\$6,000.00	Indian Hockey Championship Tournament	Waikato
Wellington Russian Club Charitable Trust	Fund	\$3,900.00	Russian Cultural Festival 2025	Wellington

Total funds disbursed: \$585,971.00