

CAYAD Community Action Fund

Who are Community Action Youth and Drugs (CAYAD)?

CAYAD is a Ministry of Health initiative based within the Community Empowerment Unit at Auckland Council. CAYAD aims to reduce harm to young people from alcohol and other drugs (AoD), by working with local and national stakeholders and community groups. Through this CAYAD builds community partnerships to identify local needs and create effective initiatives informed by local, cultural and academic evidence. These can include addressing local policies and practices, supporting community action to reduce harm from alcohol and other drugs, and facilitating changes that increase opportunities for young people to be healthy and reach their full potential.

What is the Community Action Fund (CAF)?

CAF provides funding to local communities to support them in achieving their aspirations in preventing and reducing AoD related harms in their community.

We can fund up to \$50,000 per year and up to \$5000 per funding request. Groups can apply at any time.

What we fund

Community-led projects or initiatives that:

- prevent and/or reduce AoD harms
- build community capacity to identify and create sustainable solutions for local AoD issues
- create opportunities that empower and support young people in education, employment and recreation so they may contribute and participate fully in society
- work with local partners to create a sense of safety in neighbourhoods and reduce harm from AoD
- celebrate AoD recovery and improve accessibility to treatment
- change attitudes, perception and behaviours and reduce demand through education or raising awareness of the health and social impacts of AoD

Who can apply

Funding is available to not for profit organisations and to individuals or smaller groups who sit under an umbrella organisation. If you are unsure of your eligibility or need an umbrella organisation to support your initiative, please contact us to discuss options.

How will decisions be made?

All submitted applications will be assessed by a panel of AoD and community action experts to ensure:

- alignment to CAYAD objectives
- the projects practicality, value and a community benefit
- community action best practise
- that the project outcome can be measured and evaluated - *CAYAD can support you to understand and develop measures and evaluations if required*

Funding decisions are usually made within 3 weeks.

Reporting requirements

If your application is successful, you will need to submit a brief report at the conclusion of your project that includes:

- What your project achieved (the outcome)
- How you know this was achieved
 - by the numbers (who took part or helped)
 - by the stories (feedback you received, media coverage, photos)
- Who benefitted
- A breakdown of how the project funds were spent

Please note: For small grants < \$1000 a short narrative detailing the information above is sufficient

How to acknowledge funding

To acknowledge Community Action Youth and Drugs (CAYAD) Auckland as a funder your organisation must:

- record the funding in its annual accounts or performance reports; and

for grants larger than \$1,000, your organisation must:

- show in its publicity materials (such as project promotions and materials) that it has received the funding support from CAYAD – a CAYAD logo can be supplied if required

How to apply

To apply for funding please send a short proposal to cayad@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz that includes:

- Outline of your project or programme and what you want the funding for
- Timeframe
- Project outcomes (who is better off and how you will achieve this)
- Brief plan on how you will evaluate your project (*CAYAD can provide support on how to evaluate your project if required*)
- Budget breakdown (detail how you intend on spending the fund if it is successful)

For further information please contact:

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