



# Quarterly Update

September 2009

## BayTrust resumes limited grants

BayTrust has reintroduced a limited programme of support for Bay of Plenty community groups with some \$325,000 in grants announced in September.

A major, long-term supporter of community organisations and projects throughout the region, BayTrust was forced to temporarily suspend grants late last year due to the impacts of the global economic crisis. However, an improvement in its investment income has allowed the Trust to resume limited grants under a short-term policy, which will remain in force until 31 March 2010.

Under that policy, grants are restricted to a maximum of \$20,000, with priority being given to:

- Organisations assisting those less able to care for themselves (e.g. children; the elderly; those with disabilities; those suffering particularly from the recession);
  - Organisations with significant volunteer (unpaid) support;
  - Important projects where BayTrust funding may act as a lever in attracting additional funding;
- Chairperson Paula Thompson says Trustees are looking exceptionally carefully at the community benefits of each and every dollar the Trust allocates.

Applications for the current round close on 31 December, with outcomes to be announced in February 2010. The short-term grants policy will be reviewed early next year.

## Foodbanks meet increased need

The significant increase in demand being experienced by 'foodbank' organisations across the Bay of Plenty saw a total of \$27,000 granted to a range of groups in BayTrust's September allocations.

Among those receiving grants were Atua Awhi Community Charitable Trust; Living Well Church - Rotorua; Society of St Vincent de Paul - Rotorua and Tauranga Community Foodbank Trust.

Tauranga Foodbank Secretary Glenn Spedding says the number of food parcels distributed by his organisation each month is up about 40% on last year. "BayTrust's support helps us enormously because it all goes into buying the staple food items we need to meet the extra demand."



*St Vincent de Paul Rotorua's Project Fullfill catering van is one of a range of 'foodbank' services supported in BayTrust's September allocations round.*

Hester Russell, initiator of St Vincent de Paul's 'Project Fullfill' service in Rotorua, echoes that sentiment. "It's great that BayTrust is zeroing in on food and shows that Trustees are aware of the impact the economic recession is having on our community."

Lifeline New Zealand Inc. is also helping increasing numbers of people deal with a range of stresses resulting from the recession. Development Manager Belinda Wilkinson says the economic situation is having a big impact on family life. "BayTrust's \$10,000 grant is fantastic because it means we can continue to provide a free 0800 counselling service throughout the Bay of Plenty."

## September grants

Baywide	\$
Amputee Society of Waikato,	
Bay of Plenty and Districts (Inc)	\$1,000
Autism NZ Inc - Bay of Plenty Branch	\$10,000
Cystic Fibrosis Association of NZ	\$1,814
LifeLine New Zealand Inc	\$10,000
Linkage Trust	\$12,000
ME/CFS Support Group (BoP) Inc	\$5,000
New Zealand Federation of Family Budgeting Services Inc	\$5,000
Parent to Parent Coastal Bay of Plenty	\$10,000
Presbyterian Support - Family & Community Services	\$10,000
Royal NZ Foundation of the Blind	\$5,000
Stroke Foundation Midland Region	\$5,000
The Arthritis Foundation of NZ Inc	\$8,000

### Eastern Bay of Plenty

Alzheimers Diseases & Associated Mental Disorders Inc. - Whakatane	\$9,150
Kawerau Youth Care Centre Trust	\$6,000
SPELD Eastern Bay of Plenty	\$1,000
The Federation of NZ Prisoners' Aid and Rehabilitation Societies Inc	\$10,000

### Rotorua

Alzheimers Society Rotorua Inc	\$8,000
Atua Awhi Community Charitable Trust	\$5,000
Living Well Church Charitable Trust	\$2,000
Rotorua Social Services Council Inc	\$10,000
Society of St Vincent de Paul - Rotorua	\$10,000

### Taupo

Birtright Taupo Incorporated	\$8,000
Family Financial Solutions Trust	\$12,000
Taupo Neighbourhood Support	\$3,900

### Western Bay of Plenty

Alzheimers Disease and Related Disorders	\$9,000
Beachaven Community House	\$10,000
Breast Cancer Support Service Tauranga Trust	\$5,000
Get Smart Tauranga Trust	\$8,000
Grief Support Services Inc	\$7,000
Homes of Hope Charitable Trust	\$10,000
Kidz Need Dadz	\$10,000
Life Education Trust WBOP	\$7,500
Papamoa Community Support Centre	\$5,000
Relationship Services - BOP	\$12,000
Tauranga Community Foodbank Trust	\$10,000
Tauranga Community Housing Trust	\$10,000
Tauranga District Group Riding for the Disabled	\$10,000
Tauranga Environment Centre Charitable Trust	\$7,125
Tauranga Moana Restorative Justice Trust	\$3,500
Te Puke Community Care Trust	\$10,000
Tutarawananga Te Kohanga Reo	\$3,593
Volunteer Western Bay of Plenty	\$6,500
Welcome Bay Community Centre Inc	\$5,000
Youth Search and Rescue Tauranga Trust	\$2,500
Youth Te Puke Trust	\$6,000



## Luke Martin

Luke Martin is one of BayTrust's longest-serving Trustees, having been first appointed in June 2001. A Consultant Surveyor/planner in Rotorua/BOP since 1969, Luke has been a Justice of the Peace since 1985 and is a Trustee on a number of Maori land and other trusts. He is also Chairman of Neighbourhood Support Rotorua.

Luke and his wife Judith have three adult sons and a 13-month-old granddaughter. Luke is Chair of BayTrust's Rotorua Grants Committee and also serves on the Trust's Audit Committee.