

At the completion of a project that received community funding, recipients are required, as stated in the Community Grant Policy, to submit a Project Report to the Community Board. Project Reports are to be received no later than two months after the completion of the project or if the activity is ongoing, within two months of the funding being spent.

Applicants who fail to provide a project report within the required time will not be considered for future funding.

**Please return the completed form to:** [funding@fndc.govt.nz](mailto:funding@fndc.govt.nz) PDF attachment via email is preferred) **OR:**  
Funding Advisor  
Far North District Council  
Private Bag 752  
**KAIKOHE 0440**

**Name of organisation:**

**Name & location of project:**

**Date of project/activity:**

**Which Community Board did you receive funding from?**

Te Hiku

Kaikohe-Hokianga

Bay of Islands-Whangaroa

**Amount received from the Community Fund:**

**Board meeting date the grant was approved:**

**Please give details of how the money was spent:**

- **Your contribution to the project and the funding you received from the Community Board must be accounted for**
- **Attach supplier receipts or bank statements to show proof of expenditure of Community Board funds.**

Supplier/Description	\$amount	Receipt/s attached (please tick)
N/A. After the community board meeting in May 2022 we were	\$	
advised the FNDC was to cover the remainder of playground	\$	
relocation and instillation costs. As such no funds have been	\$	
Transferred to TNRRRA and all payments have been managed by FNDC	\$	
Total:	\$	

**Give a brief description of the highlights of your project including numbers participating:**

The highlight of the playground project thus far has undeniably been the opening ceremony. Bringing together over 100 members from Totara North Community and surrounding areas, the event was a true celebration. People of all ages, from young to old, enthusiastically participated in the gathering, which included a sausage sizzle and an Easter egg hunt to accompany the more formal elements of the blessing, bestowing of playground name and ribbon cutting. This occasion showcased the project's aim to establish a central recreational hub for Totara North, and the success of this objective was vividly demonstrated at the opening ceremony.

In addition to the opening ceremony, there have been several other high points throughout the course of the playground project. One notable achievement is the regular usage of the playground by the local preschool. The facility has become a valuable resource for the preschool, providing a safe and engaging space for the children to play and explore. Moreover, neighbors have reported a steady stream of children utilizing the playground on a regular basis. This demonstrates the growing popularity and importance of the playground within the community. The continuous use of the playground by both the preschool and local children further affirms the project's success in fulfilling its purpose as a central recreational space for Totara North.

**Describe the main findings in your evaluation of the project/event; describe how your project/event benefited the community:**

The repurposed playground in Totara North effectively achieves two goals outlined in the 2021 community plan: "healthy nature, healthy people" and 'To have a range of activities to promote and support community recreation, community spirit and unity'. The playground, set within a grassy field, fruit trees, a community garden, and mud flats brimming with nature, encourages interaction with the outdoors, promoting well-being and a healthy lifestyle. Additionally, it serves as a hub for community recreation, bringing families together, fostering social connections, and strengthening the community's unity. Overall, the playground successfully integrates nature, recreation, and community engagement, making it a vital asset for the vibrant and harmonious living environment of Totara North.

**Please provide details and attach or email photos and/or any marketing collateral that was produced for your event/project acknowledging the Community Board:**

Playground reports from TNRRA minutes attached (circulated to community via TNRRA facebook page)

Poster advertising playground opening attached.

Photos of opening ceremony attached.

The BOI-Whangaroa Community Board was further acknowledged verbally at the opening ceremony.

The project completion is waiting on the erection of a shade sail – timeframes for this have been repeatedly pushed due to the complex nature of the foundations required. The decision to go ahead with the opening despite the sail not being in place/project completed was made to make the most of the facility before winter. We were hoping to delay print acknowledgement of the playground installation until its completion however as this does not look like it will happen in the near future a report on the playground is planned for the next issues of whispers which will further acknowledge the Community board.

**If you have a Facebook page that we can link to please give details:**

**This report was completed by:**

Date:

14 May 2023