



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: Ohaeawai Taiamai Residents Association (OTRA) \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name & location of project: Ohaeawai Christmas Picnic 2025 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date of project/activity: 06 December 2025 \_\_\_\_\_**

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

Te Hiku

Kaikohe-Hokianga

Bay of Islands-Whangaroa

**Amount received from the Community Fund: \$1590 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Board meeting date the grant was approved: September 2025 \_\_\_\_\_**

**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)
Lions – Thomas the Tank Engine hire	\$ 270	Yes
Trailblazers – bouncy castles	\$ 500	Yes
Other entertainment (face painting)	\$ 160	Yes
Arts and Crafts, Decorations	\$ 360	Yes
Consumables	\$ 300	Yes
Total:	\$ 1590	

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

We had a great turn out from the community on what was a busy Saturday morning for community events around the district. Approx. 150 people attended including many families connected to Ohaeawai school. Lots of school children enjoyed being on floats in the parade.

We were very pleased Te Kahika o te Hiku o te Ika, Moko Tepania was able to join our event and to hand out prizes for floats and letterbox decorations and to bless the kai. Thank you.

Even though the Mayor was present, the star of the show was Santa who arrived on a large sleigh in the float parade and handed out iceblocks and lollies to the children.

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

The event marks the end of another year and gives community members an opportunity to catch up with old friends, meet new residents and build connections with neighbours. When there is so much doom and gloom in the news, it's refreshing to see happy, friendly faces. We live in a great little town and it's important we remind each other of that.

Establishing a strong sense of community is an investment in resilience. One we hope we will never need but one we must continue to develop.

For the event next year we will reconsider dates and times. It was very hot on Sat 06 December and there was no shade on the activities. Some members have suggested we aim for an early evening event in the week to avoid the heat of the day and to avoid clashes with other weekend events.

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

We printed out the Community Board logo and displayed it on a whiteboard thanking our sponsors. We displayed other copies of the logo on activity tables and by the kai. We mentioned the Community Board support before the presentation of prizes.

Some photos from the day are attached to this report.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1376608939305049>