



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: [governance@fndc.govt.nz](mailto:governance@fndc.govt.nz) (PDF attachment via email is preferred) OR:

Governance Support  
Far North District Council  
Private Bag 752  
KAIKOHE 0440

Name of organisation:

Pukerui Community Gardens c/o St. Marys Church.

Name & location of project:

Pukerui Community Gardens / part of 14 Waterfront Road, Pukerui.

Date of project/activity:

19/10/17 - ongoing.

Which Community Board did you receive funding from?



Te Hiku



Kaikohe-Hokianga



Bay of Islands-Whangaroa

Amount received from the Community Fund:

\$ 4992-00

Board meeting date the grant was approved:

17-8-2017

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)
Mowing + trimming + fix mower + fuel	339-80	✓
Mitre 10 = plants (vegetables + fruit trees)	\$ 441-85	✓
Eco centre = materials to build shade-houses, cloth + freestyles.	\$ 3743-77	✓
- mower to maintain gardens	150-00	✓
- line trimmer	116-70	✓
- water tank 1000 litre	115-00	✓
Truck + digger - Koha to shift cow poop + spread	230-00	✓
Total:	\$ 5137-12	✓

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

Houhora Kohanga Reo (8 children + carers) - helped plant lettuce + silverbeet plants  
Houhora Day Care (6 children) - helped plant cabbages + beans  
Eco Centre (4 adults + volunteers) - helped build organic garden structures to grow plants  
Dion O'Leary - installed bee-hives at gardens.  
Gift of veges to Houhora Medical Centre every Wed;  
also to elderly residents in Pukerui.

To: Melissa Wood

& Governance Team,

Kaikohe.

Dear Melissa & Team:

Whilst a number of groups & individuals in the Community were supportive of The Gardens & upcoming activities being planned, it was becoming increasingly difficult to recruit volunteers to help with garden maintenance. Our group decided to focus on providing self-help programs, along with individual family-teaching 'do it yourself' schemes. These included bringing in professionals, e.g. Grant Stevens to hold courses in Earth-building, i.e. outbuildings & pizza ovens. The Eco-Centre are ever-willing to speak on solar-power uses & other environmental issues, plus practical workshops. The self-help schemes are still available to young parents (growing their own vegetables, fruit & herbs on an on-going basis) therefore allowing them to become self-sufficient, & not just reliant upon others' provision.

It was always envisaged that the Pukenui Gardens had a short-term (up to 3-years) aim of providing knowledge (practical & theory) and access to outside resources (native plants & trees) and expertise in self-help & ongoing gardens, as a base for horticultural courses.

Unfortunately, circumstances changed 9 months ago, when our 2 main members became unable to participate regularly. In May, Helen suffered a 3 X broken L ankle, & after major bone surgery, needed full-care with her family for 3 months, plus appointments & more surgery planned in March '19. Sheryll also faced a dilemma in July, when she needed to move to Ahipara, to care for her 89 year old father.

In conclusion, we must try to encourage whanau, individuals & groups, to continue to help at the gardens, & revitalise our goal of helping people to help themselves with regard to healthy eating, education, and HANDS-ON IN THE GARDEN!!

MANY, MANY THANKS for believing in our project & entrusting financial support to us.

Yours very truly, Sheryll Stankovich & Helen Pirini,

Pukenui Community Gardens.