

Media Advisory

In March 2025, the Dunedin City Council allocated a total of \$298,983.07 in grants from the following grant funds (*see below*)

The allocations include both DCC-funded grants, Creative Communities Scheme and Waste Minimisation grants (administered by the DCC on behalf of Creative New Zealand and the Ministry for the Environment respectively).

Biodiversity

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Matai Hill Trust (Ben Ponne)	Contribute toward the establishment of 6,500 plants within a 1.5 ha project area of QEII covenant. Funding is specifically sought to purchase planting hardware including plant guards, mats, and stakes	\$4,400.00
Steven Nichol	Contribute toward contractor costs associated with the purchase of plants and their protective equipment for the restoration of a tributary of Deep Stream	\$5,000.00
Tim Ritchie	Purchase 500 trees and associated planting tangibles to assist with the revegetation of Otāne headland	\$4,378.81
Julie and Pete Dryden	Contribute toward fencing material costs to finish fencing off two sections of the property for enhancement. Remaining funds to contribute toward plants for revegetation of fenced areas	\$4,000.00
Peter and Priya Williams	Contribute to contractor costs for the control of woody weeds across the 1.2 ha of recently revegetated land	\$5,000.00
Reid Family Trust (Claire Reid)	Contribute to stage 2 of the project which entails revegetating the remaining 1.5 ha area. Specifically, the funding will contribute toward plants purchase (2,000)	\$4,400.00
Tomahawk-Smaills Beach Care Trust	Contribute to fencing materials and planting tangibles for the protection and revegetation of coastal sea lion habitat along Tomahawk Creek	\$3,500.00
Karin Ludwig	Revegetate the fenced riparian margin of Lindsay Creek to improve indigenous riparian and freshwater values	\$3,050.00
Alister Young	Purchase plants for the revegetation of 1 ha indigenous shrubland and DOC250 traps for installation around project area	\$2,500.00
Tom Brownlie	Contribute to plant purchase and planting tangibles for revegetation of 1 ha fenced area with ecologically appropriate species	\$4,000.00
Mid Taieri Wai (Strath Taieri Agriculture & Rural Tourism Trust)	Contribute toward purchase of 5,200 native plants for the ecological restoration of Shannon Stream	\$4,500.00
Evan Hurst (Pacific View Limited)	Contribute toward the purchase of 1,200 plants to restore an area of fenced wetland	\$4,000.00
	Total	\$48,728.81

Community Events

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Dunedin Folk Club	To support general costs of venue hire, infrastructure set up and production costs.	\$6,500.00
Dunedin Fringe Arts Trust	Production expenses for the 2025 NZYWF including contract personnel, materials, marketing costs, and administration of the festival.	\$6,770.00
Dunedin Senior Chinese Association	Venue hire, technical support, and other event delivery expenses.	\$3,222.50
Dunedin Town Hall Organ Trust	To support the cost of newspaper advertising	\$977.50
Fire In Ice Outrigger Canoe Club	Venue hire, event costs, safety and support fees.	\$2,000.00
Indian Students Association	Sound and AV System	\$1,500.00
NZ Competitive Aerobics Federation	Funding towards sound equipment and venue hire	\$2,110.00
Otago Bersatu Games 2025	Equipment hire for their Carnival on the final day of the 6 Day Games.	\$3,825.00
Pakistan Association of Otago	The venue hire, cultural performances, catering for the community feast, any necessary infrastructure for the event, the organisation and promotion of the event	\$4,400.00
Rohit Jain Dunedin Indian Association	Venue hire, sound and lighting, decorations, performer fees, marketing, and promotion.	\$7,500.00
Taieri Amateur Wrestling Club	Funding towards venue hire and St John First Aid	\$2,800.00
	Total	\$41,605.00

Community Grants

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Aphasia New Zealand Charitable Trust	To help with the costs of the Community Aphasia Advisor wages.	\$1,000.00
Aroha Ki Te Tamariki Trust. TA: Whakaata Tohu Tohu, Mirror Services	To help with the purchase of the basketball hoop and to contribute to their Basketball facilities.	\$4,000.00
Autism New Zealand	To help with operating costs including salary/wages.	\$1,000.00
Caversham Baptist Church	To help with the wages of staff.	\$3,000.00
Caversham Toy Library	To help with wages for Toy Librarian and rent.	\$3,000.00
CCS Disability Action Otago Inc	To help with the costs of salary/wages.	\$2,000.00
Disability Resource Centre Services Trust	To help with wages and venue hire.	\$1,000.00
Dunedin Bedding Bank	To help with the purchases of resources to support our homeless.	\$2,500.00

Dunedin Korean Language & Culture Society	To help with the costs of running the programme.	\$3,000.00
Dunedin Parents Centre	To help with the running costs of the education events.	\$1,500.00
Dunedin Revival Centre Tonga AOG Youth	To help purchase equipment for sports, mentoring (Stationery) and workshops.	\$4,000.00
Dunedin Tongan Community	To help with the running of the homework/language classes.	\$4,000.00
Enabling NZ (Enabling Love & Friendship)	To help with operational costs.	\$4,000.00
English Language Partners Dunedin	To help with venue hire for the ESOL Literacy classes.	\$4,000.00
Epilepsy New Zealand	To help with operational and salary costs.	\$1,000.00
Kura Kai	To help with Travel, accommodation and wages for the General Manager to visit schools in Dunedin.	\$1,000.00
Life Matters Suicide Prevention Trust	To help with the salary costs of the administrators.	\$5,000.00
Little Miracles Trust	To help with the wages of the Family Peer Support Co-ordinator.	\$3,000.00
Muslim University Student Association	To help with the venue cost.	\$2,000.00
North East Valley Cricket Club	To help in the purchase of three cricket net cages.	\$1,000.00
Ōtākou Māori Women's Welfare League	To help with the costs of the materials for Craft Supplies, promotional banner, venue hire costs and appreciation, resources eg Sporting equipment, acknowledge volunteer time.	\$2,100.00
Pioneer Opportunities and Resources Trust	To help with the Hall Coordinator's Wages.	\$2,000.00
Pregnancy Help Inc Dunedin Branch	To help with the wages of staff running the drop-in centre.	\$5,000.00
Presbyterian Support Otago Inc	To help with the wages for the two Buddy Coordinators.	\$5,000.00
Red Frogs NZ Trust	To help support the Red Frogs Safe Zone activations across Dunedin City during 2025.	\$4,000.00
Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust	To help with the wages of two staff members.	\$1,000.00
Sailability Otago	To help purchase equipment.	\$3,000.00
Shakti community Council Inc	To help with the rent of the drop in centre.	\$4,000.00
St Kilda Surf Life Saving Club	To help with funding for Replacement IRB Motor.	\$5,000.00
Taieri Tennis Club Inc	To help with purchase of tennis balls, ball buggies, kids racquets, and to help with admin salary.	\$2,000.00
The CanInspire Charitable Trust	To help with the tutor fees for CanBead creative workshops.	\$1,500.00
The Order of St John South Island Regional Trust Board	To help with the operating costs of the Health Shuttle for Dunedin.	\$1,000.00

The South Island (Te Waipounamu) Branch of the Muscular Dystrophy Assn of NZ Inc.	The help with the Fieldworker Wages and support group expenses.	\$1,000.00
The Southern Youth Development Trust Board	To support the costs of the alternative education programme.	\$5,000.00
Turning Point Counselling Service, East Taieri Church	To help with the costs of rental space and subsidised counselling services.	\$4,000.00
West Taieri Pony Club Inc	To help with the costs of insuring the clubrooms.	\$731.45
	Total	\$97,331.45

Creative Communities

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Alan Gray	To contribute to production costs and equipment hire	\$1,500.00
Dance Ōtepoti	Artist fees (dance commission)	\$3,000.00
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Dunedin Edinburgh Sister City Society	To contribute to performers' remuneration	\$2,000.00
Dunedin Folk Club	Contribution to artist fees	\$3,500.00
Dunedin Workers' Education Association Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti Inc.	Support tutor fees and course costs	\$4,144.15
E-Kare	Artist fees, production, promotion, and associated costs	\$3,500.00
Garthruth Ganaii	Cost of materials and venue hire for arts workshops	\$2,715.00
GASP! Dance Trust	To assist with tutor and venue costs for GASP! Dance showcase events	\$1,500.00
Jess Nicholson	To support artist remuneration, materials, and workshop costs	\$3,000.00
Metonymic Trust	Venue hire, equipment hire, artist and admin fees, promotion	\$920.00
Music Education Otago	Artist and MC fees	\$1,450.00
Naga Harshietha Dhandapani	Tutor fees, workshop materials, promotion, venue hire	\$2,340.00
Nathaniel Otley	Artist fees, venue hire, and promotion	\$2,855.50

Oliver Connew	To support venue and teaching costs for a series of dance classes	\$2,250.00
Rock Quest Charitable Trust	Venue hire, production, and security costs	\$2,000.00
Rosie Hill	Artist and personnel costs, venue hire, promotion and admin costs	\$1,500.00
Sarah McGaughran	To support gallery rent and costs, including marketing	\$3,820.00
Swing Riot Dunedin	To support tutor fees at the Dunedin Swing Festival 2025	\$3,000.00
Teokotai Tautua	To provide remuneration for the performers	\$4,500.00
Zehavit Darlington	Contribute to artist fees for school workshops	\$1,000.00
	Total	\$52,763.65

DCC Arts Grants

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Brighton Club Incorporated	Contribution towards equipment hire	\$2,500.00
Dunedin Fringe Arts Trust	Contribution towards personnel costs for Amped music workshops	\$3,000.00
Dunedin Opera Company Incorporated	Contribution towards artist remuneration	\$2,750.00
Dunedin Performing Arts Competitions Society	Contribution towards venue hire costs	\$1,000.00
Indian Ink Trust	Contribution towards venue hire and associated personnel costs	\$3,000.00
iNDx	Contribution towards the exhibition launch costs and advertising	\$2,500.00
Manu Scripts Publishing (Māori & Pasifika Education Trust)	Contribution towards the book launches for three new publications	\$2,500.00
Metonymic Trust	Contribution towards equipment and venue hire, personnel costs, artist fees, travel costs	\$3,000.00
Music Education Otago	Contribution towards personnel and performer costs	\$3,000.00
Naatya School of Indian Dance (under auspice of Dance Ōtepoti)	Contribution towards the costs of venue hire, promotion, sound equipment hire, and recording of event	\$2,000.00
National Flash Fiction Day	Contribution towards venue hire, artist fees, facilitator fees and marketing materials	\$2,500.00

NZ Society of Authors (PEN NZ Inc) Otago Southland Branch	Contribution towards printing, advertising, artist fees and wages	\$1,206.03
Rasa	Contribution towards the event production – sound and lighting	\$2,500.00
Studio2	Contribution towards venue hire, presentation materials, tutor, and volunteer costs	\$1,498.97
Wakari Art Group	Contribution towards venue hire	\$1,245.00
West Harbour Arts Charitable Trust	Contribution towards the artist fees	\$2,000.00
	Total	\$36,200.00

Waste Minimisation Community Grants

Grant Recipient	Purpose of Grant	Amount Allocated
Corstorphine Kindergarten	To fund two warm farms and a sustainable living workshop at Orokonui Ecosanctuary.	\$1,209.36
Dunedin Midwinter Celebrations	To subsidise waste minimisation at the 2024 Dunedin Midwinter Carnival event.	\$2,660.00
One Coast Incorporated	To fund facilitator fees, venue hire, promotional material and workshop materials for a series of Waste Reduction Workshops.	\$4,384.00
Pregnancy Choice Dunedin - Inspire Upcycling	To fund textile recycling fees and subsidise wages to help support their textile waste reduction programme.	\$4,100.80
Pregnancy Help Incorporated Dunedin Branch	To purchase reusable nappies to provide for free to whānau in Dunedin.	\$5,000.00
The Gift Trust (Sew on Period Care)	To fund operational expenses and materials to help the continuation of Sew on Period Care.	\$5,000.00
	Total	\$22,354.16