

# Ethnic Communities Development Fund

## Successful recipients September 2024

Organisation	Decision	Amount	Project Name	Location
<b>Priority 1. Take action to promote the value of diversity and improve inclusion of ethnic communities</b>				
Ardour Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Ardour Convergence Day 2024. The event facilitates intercultural connectivity and understanding by bringing people together from different cultural backgrounds while showcasing performers from different cultures.	Canterbury
BHARTIYA SAMAJ LOWER NORTH ISLAND TRUST	Partially Fund	\$11,730.00	Hawkes Bay Grand Mela 2024 will host an array of cultural performances and activities	Hawkes Bay
Bhartiya Samaj Queenstown Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$20,000.00	Diwali Night 2024. Diwali is a major festival for the Indian Community. In Queenstown, we aim to bring together a masterpiece of an event that our communities can join and enjoy together.	West Coast
Bihar Jharkhand Sabha of Australia and New Zealand	Fund	\$4,500.00	Dussehra/Navratri Dandiya Celebration. The event will feature traditional dance, music and food.	Auckland
Bihar Jharkhand Sabha of Australia and New Zealand	Fund	\$4,500.00	Diwali Chhath Celebration 2024. The event will be open to the public, & includes cultural performances and refreshments.	Auckland
Chinese Culture Association (NZ) Incorporated	Fund	\$10,000.00	2024 Chinese Festival (NZ). The festival is comprised of 5 main events: the opening ceremony: “We Are One” concert; Chinese Style Exhibition; Calligraphy and Photography Seminar; Easter and Western Music Concert; and the Chinese Lunar New Year Gala.	Canterbury
Dishari NZ Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Dishari Durgotsav Festival 2024, mostly celebrated by Bengalis, but is open to all communities	Auckland

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Dominion Road Business Association	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Dominion Road Moon Festival. An annual free three day festival in Auckland which takes over Dominion Road, Mt Eden War Memorial Hall, Potters Park and the old warehouse carpark with performances, carnival rides, displays, lanterns, parades, food stalls and markets.	Auckland
Hindu Council of Hawkes Bay Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Hawke's Bay Diwali 2024	Hawkes Bay
IndianNZ Association of Christchurch Inc.	Fund	\$4,000.00	Rising Star - Spring Fiesta. This event aims to showcase the talents of various ethnic communities to a broader audience and is open to participants of all ages.	Canterbury
Korean Positive Ageing Charitable Trust	Fund	\$11,500.00	KOREAN COMMUNITY CULTURAL IDENTITY REINFORCED - This project aims to revive the Korean community spirit through the traditional practice of making Kimchi, a practice rooted in sharing labour and Kimchi with neighbors in need.	Auckland
Korean Society of Christchurch Incorporated	Fund	\$10,000.00	Korean Day 2024 and Community events. The festival will have cultural heritage performances, music, arts, traditional folk dance, as well as traditional games.	Canterbury
Migrant Connections Taranaki (MCT) Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$20,000.00	Deliver a variety workshops on topics of immigration, employment rights, mental health safety and awareness, as well as a family violence awareness protection programme in in North Taranaki (New Plymouth, Inglewood, Stratford, and Hawera).	Taranaki
'NAAD' CHARITABLE TRUST (NZ)	Partially Fund	\$9,400.00	Naad Music Festival: A Celebration of Cultural Diversity is a unique cultural event that brings together the rich traditions of Indian classical music, Maori Taonga Puoro, and Maori Waiatas, with Western jazz music; celebrating the diversity of Auckland's cultural heritage.	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
NAATA Indian Community Trust	Partially Fund	\$3,000.00	Experience India-Diwali	Tasman-Nelson

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New Zealand Chinese Association - Nelson Branch Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$7,000.00	Celebrate Chinese Traditional Festivals. A year long programme of cultural events for Nelson and Marlborough:	Marlborough
Newah Guthi New Zealand Inc	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Preserving Newari (a mix of Indo-Aryan and Tibeto-Burman ethnicities.) from its extinction and Workshops of Newah Culture in multicultural New Zealand	Auckland
Polish Association in New Zealand Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$15,000.00	Traditional costumes for Orzel Dance Ensemble - Polish Arts festival in 2025	Wellington
Rambutan Media Works	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Aroha - Train of Love, an activity during the Diwali festival in November. It will showcase the journey of individuals especially from India, China, Nepal, Africa, Japan, Turkey, Korea, and South America who have made Aotearoa their home and celebrate each other's unique traditions, art, music, food, and stories.	Auckland
Ritmo Pilipino Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$7,287.00	Aliwan Festival 2024. Focus is on school dance groups, providing a platform to showcase each school's unique talent and cultural heritage to a wider audience.	Canterbury
SINGH SPORTS AND CULTURAL CLUB	Fund	\$5,000.00	Punjabi Language Week 2024. The event will encourage children to participate in the arts competition where they will write Punjabi alphabet, draw Punjabi cultural related things. The event will also include traditional dance performances to display its culture.	Hawkes Bay
Tauranga Regional Multicultural Council Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Multicultural Gala Dinner & Concert to celebrate the 30th year of the Multicultural Tauranga Group. It will recognise the contributions of various cultural groups to the Tauranga region.	Bay of Plenty
Te Tai O Poutini West Coast Multicultural Council Incorporated	Fund	\$8,832.00	Multicultural Food Fairs in Greymouth, Westport and in Hokitika, Diwali Celebrations in Greymouth, Malay Community Onam Celebrations in Greymouth, Filipino Language Week in Greymouth/ Hokitika area and various small events.	West Coast

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The Upper Hutt Multicultural Council Incorporated	Fund	\$15,000.00	Greater Wellington Region 2024 Multicultural Diwali Celebration	Wellington

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<b>Priority 2. Ensure equitable provision of, and access to, Government services for ethnic communities</b>				
Ashburton District Neighbourhood Support	Partially Fund	\$6,099.00	Ethnic Communities Fun Day. An event involving all our emergency services. It is aimed at providing engagement with these services and others, to provide understanding and take away any fear or stigma regarding these services.	Canterbury

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<b>Priority 4. Work to connect and empower ethnic community groups</b>				
AKAL FOUNDATION	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	NZ Diwali 2024	Auckland
Asian Community Engagement Trust	Partially Fund	\$2,880.00	An Italian Bellini International Competition New Zealand Awards Concert, which aims to enrich the local cultural scene and provide young New Zealand musicians with a unique and invaluable opportunity to collaborate and learn from experienced international artists.	Auckland
Bangaliana Multicultural Christchurch	Fund	\$4,500.00	Durga Festival 2024. An Eastern Indian Community and Gala Day	Canterbury
BHARTIYA SAMAJ LOWER NORTH ISLAND TRUST	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Hastings - Enhancing Senior Well-being and Community Engagement through programmes including health and wellness workshops, financial and digital literacy classes, social events, recreational activities, and assistance navigating government services.	Hawkes Bay

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Botany Chinese Association	Fund	\$8,459.00	Celebration of Chinese Traditional Festival (Mid-Autumn Festival, Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival)	Auckland
Canterbury Punjabi Association	Partially Fund	\$4,900.00	Canterbury Turban Day 2024. The event welcomes people of all faiths, offering participants the chance to watch or learn how to tie a turban.	Canterbury
Dunedin Tamil Society Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$20,000.00	Dunedin Tamil Society Cultural, Physical and Social Wellbeing Project. The project includes events such as the Tamil New Year, Deepavali, Eid, Pongal, and Christmas in the Park, along with community badminton sessions.	Otago
Everyone an Artist Trust	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Asian Arts Festival. The festival will include a talk show, arts and craft market, children fashion show, theatre presentation, musical performances, visual art exhibition, food, live bands, and a dance/mental health workshop.	Canterbury
Institution of Engineers, Sri Lanka (IESL) NZ Chapter	Fund	\$2,000.00	University of Auckland Open Day 2024. This event is to provide support and insights of the engineering profession for Sri Lankan youth to decide a career path as per their passion and interests.	Auckland
Karenni Association of New Zealand Inc	Partially Fund	\$6,900.00	Karenni Deeku Festival 2024 - To preserve and promote the Karenni cultural heritage through sport tournaments, guest speakers, and cultural performances.	Wellington
Korean Women's Wellness Community Group	Fund	\$15,358.00	Cognitive Stimulation Therapy Project for the Korean - support for Korean elders with cognitive impairment and their family/whanau	Auckland
Lighthouse Youth of Otautahi	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	"Empowering Voices: A Community-led Approach to Counteracting Discriminatory Discourse and Reshaping Public Discourse"	Canterbury
LIVE BETTER (Cultural Centre Trust)	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	The aim of this project to help with the delivery of programmes, workshops, and events for Asian and other ethnic children, youth and parents in Hamilton and Auckland.	Waikato

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Makarim Society	Fund	\$1,080.00	Microbit Programming and Robotics Training; Coding and program event for children of the Middle Eastern immigrant community	Auckland
Multicultural Association Hawkes Bay Inc	Fund	\$4,500.00	ASIANS IN THE BAY AWARDS 2024 -An awards ceremony that recognises the social, economic and cultural contributions of the Asian community in Hawke's Bay.	Hawkes Bay
Musika Filipinas Aotearoa	Fund	\$4,990.00	Culture and Friendship Concert - improving social cohesion for Filipino community members, creating a space for singers to participate and share their talents, skills and cultures.	Canterbury
Nelson Malayalee Association Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	PONNONAPULARI 2024 will celebrate Onam - the harvest festival of South Indian Malayalees.	Tasman-Nelson
NZ Pan African Broadcasting Corporation Charitable Trust	Partially Fund	\$15,000.00	Pan African Exhibition Day - A Pan-African Multicultural Exhibition. The event will serve as a lead in to promote the Pan African Community Centre (PACC), a celebration of Africa Day and also fostering better understanding and trust within faiths, ethnicities, and backgrounds and the wider multi ethnic communities.	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau
Queenstown Nepalese Society Incorporated	Partially Fund	\$10,000.00	Deliver five cultural events: September, October, November, March and April in Queenstown, with an aim to preserve cultural heritage and showcase Nepalese culture.	Otago
Samurai Sevens NZ	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	Japanese youth football community in Christchurch "Future Samurai Connect 2024" to participate in the NZ Ethnic Football Festival	Canterbury
Sindhi Sangat New Zealand	Partially Fund	\$24,000.00	Learn to swim project for ethnic minority – Sindhi Women and Children - 2024	Auckland
Sri Lankan Society of New Zealand Inc.	Fund	\$5,748.00	Eid Al Adha Cultural Festival - a celebration bringing all cultures together.	Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau

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Te Waiariki Ngāti Korora Ngāti Takapari Hapū Iwi Trust	Partially Fund	\$5,000.00	The project aims to foster a sense of belonging and cultural understanding by hosting quarterly welcoming ceremonies on their Marae, where they will introduce themselves as the local hapū and provide new residents with information about customs, tikanga, and safety guidelines for new residents and immigrants.	Northland
The Wellington's Thai Community	Fund	\$10,000.00	The Wellington's Thai Community seeks support for their various projects in the 24/25 financial year. These include cultural classes of Thai performances, kickboxing, language classes, line dancing, yoga, soccer, fruit craving, information sharing, and volunteering; yearly events of sports days, Thai New Year Festival, Loy Krathong Festival, cultural performances, and festivals; as well as access to services to help the community understand and comply with New Zealand regulations, support wellbeing, and societal participation.	Wellington
Wellington Senior Citizens Health and Happiness Association Incorporated	Fund	\$9,330.00	Support for their Tai Chi, Waist drum, Choir and dance classes in Wellington city.	Wellington
Wilderness Canoe Trust	Fund	\$6,240.00	Canoe Connections: Exploring Aotearoa's Wilderness	Tasman-Nelson

**Total funds disbursed: \$433,733.00**