



GRANTS PANUI 2023

Tena koutou katoa,

We hope you have all been well. The start of the year is always a busy time as our tamariki prepare for kura - but this year has been extra active with the unpredictable and bizarre weather added to the mix! We hope this panui brings some welcome news as we introduce the 2023 Grants, and the launch of our new online member portal.

As many of you will be aware, we announced at the 2022 AGM that some of our grants were about to change. We had just completed an extensive review of all our grants and distributions. This review helped identify where funding support was widely used in our membership, and also considered what grants were available through other Ngāti Tūwharetoa entities.

We also held a review of our processes, and received valuable whānau feedback on what worked and what didn't. These considerations have all helped guide our 2023 grants and distributions, and we are excited to launch these changes, as well as our new online membership portal!

The online membership portal is a vital advancement for our membership and allows you to apply for grants online. Once a grant is submitted you will be able to check the grant status and have more control over your applications. The portal also allows for you to have a running balance. So you don't have to wait and collect all your receipts to apply for the grant at the one time! Your annual grant allowance will just deduct with every application, allowing you to apply multiple times throughout the year until your limit has been reached.

The following information advises on what's available from all our grants, with the most notable change made to the Pakeke Medical Grant which now benefits members **aged 40 years and over!** These changes are effective immediately. If you have already had grants approved this year, you will be able to view your applications / balance in your portal page.

The Tangihanga Grant, Special Grant, Marae Grant, and Kura / Kohanga Reo Grant are also available in the 2023 year and will be assessed on application.

For more information on any of the grants, or for help with your online portal access, please contact He Akina.

On behalf of your trustees,

Ngahere Wall
Chairman
Te Pae o Waimihia

ONLINE MEMBERS PORTAL

ALL Te Pae o Waimihia registered members (18 years and over) and their listed tamariki, will have their own login. Initial login information (name and temporary password) will be emailed to the email address listed with He Akina.

In the portal, you will be able to:

- update your contact details
- update your bank account
- apply for grants (for you and your tamariki)
- see grant status and running balance

If you have not received your login details by the 1st March 2023, please contact He Akina.

All new Te Pae o Waimihia member registrations will be applied for through our new portal. Once an application is verified, new members will be able to update contact details and apply for grants through the portal page.

Grants are processed monthly from February to November. Successful applications received by the 10th of the processing month will be paid at the end of that month.

You are eligible to submit multiple grant applications per calendar year until the maximum grant limit is reached. You will be able to see the each balance in your portal page.

DENTAL GRANT

Available to members aged between 18 and 39 years. Up to \$250 per calendar year to contribute towards the following dentistry care:

- Preventative dentistry (check-ups, x-rays / radiographs)
- Dental hygiene (scale and clean)
- Dental treatments

EDUCATION GRANT

Available to listed tamariki of members, enrolled in Year 0 to 10 at a New Zealand primary or secondary school. Up to \$200 per calendar year to contribute towards the following:

- School fees and subscriptions
- School uniforms
- School activities (i.e. school camp, school trips)
- School stationery and equipment (including computers and tablets)
- Learning support (must be accredited with the NZ Tutoring Association with the subject relevant to the NZ school curriculum)

KAUMĀTUA HEALTHY HOMES GRANT

Available to members aged 70 years or over, to contribute towards the costs of improving the health of their homes (i.e. insulation and heating).

Applications will go through a needs assessment process and priority will be given to applications deemed to have the highest level of need.

The property must be occupied by the applicant and either owned by the applicant or his/her whānau, or part of a designated papakainga. The property must be located within the Taupō District Council rohe boundaries, and be permitted by the Taupō District Council.

PAKEKE MEDICAL GRANT

Available to members aged 40 years and over to contribute towards the following treatments:

- Specialised - dental / vision / hearing treatment:
 - Up to \$1000 per calendar year
- General Health:
 - Up to \$500 per calendar year

'General Health' could include but is not limited to: doctors, specialists, chiropractor, physiotherapist, osteopath, prescription medication costs, acupuncture and holistic practitioners.

SPORTING PARTICIPATION GRANT

Available to all members and listed tamariki. Up to \$100 per calendar year to contribute towards the following:

- Competitive sport:
 - Sporting fees and subscriptions
 - Sporting equipment and uniforms
 - Travel expenses
- Recognised exercise facility:
 - Fees, subscriptions and membership

'Recognised exercise facility' means a legal entity or business operating as a gym, fitness centre or club activity promoting healthy living.

SPORTING REPRESENTATION GRANT

Available to all members and listed tamariki. Up to \$300 per sporting code, per calendar year to contribute towards the following:

- Sporting fees and subscriptions
- Sporting equipment and uniforms
- Travel expenses

The applicant must provide confirmation of representation from the respective provincial or national association, and evidence of the sporting competition.

Please refer to the grant application forms for the full list of Terms and Conditions. Applications forms can be found online at www.tepaeowaimihia.co.nz or at He Akina (Trust Office) 88 Kaimanawa Street, Taupō. For more information please contact He Akina on (07) 378 5180 or email admin@heakina.co.nz.