



# **CARTERTON & DISTRICTS RETURNED & SERVICES MEMORIAL TRUST**

The Carterton & Districts Returned & Services Memorial Trust grants are provided for residents of the Carterton District who require assistance to meet expenses related to their tertiary education.

The total amount of funding from the Trust to be distributed each year is the annual interest earned on the Trust's principal amount invested.

Applications are invited from residents of the Carterton district from mid-January and grants will be allocated in March each year.

## **Conditions and Guidelines**

- At the discretion of the Carterton & Districts Returned & Services Memorial Trust, grants may be made to students who have been resident in the Carterton district for a minimum of two years. Residence within the Carterton district shall be defined as living with a parent or guardian or in a charitable institution in the district (excluding boarding hostels).
- Direct descendants of veterans and servicemen only will be considered (children, grandchildren and great grandchildren).
- Grants shall be made to students undertaking a full-time course of tertiary education.
- Applications for courses of completed study will not be considered.
- Applicants must be under the age of 25 at time of application.
- First time applicants will be given preference.
- Applicants can apply for a grant each year during their study.
- The value of a grant given shall be at the discretion of the Committee and will be determined following the closing of applications.
- Payment of a grant shall be made to a student following receipt of advice that the course of study has commenced. Please attach acknowledgement of enrolment acceptance/payment of fees to the application form.
- Notification of grant payment will be made by 30 April

## When does the funding round open and close?

Applications are usually open for a 6 week period from mid-January, closing on the last day of February. Applications received after the closing date or outside of a funding round will not be considered.

#### How do I apply for a grant?

All grant applications are submitted through our online grants' platform. Please refer to Instructions on the Carterton District Council website.

Who assesses applications?

The Carterton & Districts Returned & Services Memorial Trust committee assess all applications. The committee is made up of Elected Members and Returned And Services Association personal. The committee must;

- Elect a chairperson
- Decisions by the Committee to be made by consensus; a vote only being taken if required confirming the consensus view. If votes are tied the chairperson will have a casting vote
- A requirement that all conflicts of interest must be declared by elected members, who then cannot take part in deliberations related to the conflict
- The Committee will meet once a year to make allocation decisions, generally in March.

Administration and guidance are provided by Council officers.

#### How is your application assessed?

The Committee reviews all applications and meet to assess and allocate funds. The application is assessed against the set criteria and priorities.

- Where the Committee decides to decline an application, or to grant less funding than applied, it will specify its reasons.
- Decisions of the Committee will be reported to applicants as soon as possible following the Committee's decisions.