



19 June 2023



Reference: OIA-2022/23-0935

Dear 

Official Information Act request relating to  Amount of money given to the West Coast Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 19 May 2023. You requested:

*"I would like to apply under the official information act for details of the amount of money given to the West coast of the South Island to the Emergency Management groups. (Civil Defence)
Does each area get a set amount? I would like to know 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23."*

We have interpreted your request as referring to the West Coast CDEM (Civil Defence Emergency Management) Group which does not include Nelson-Tasman or Southland.

In the 2020/21 financial year \$50,000 was provided to the West Coast CDEM Group under the CDEM Resilience Fund. In the 2021/22 financial year \$90,000 was provided to the West Coast CDEM Group under the CDEM Resilience Fund. For the 2022/23 financial year, two grants have been approved for \$150,000 and \$190,020 to the West Coast CDEM Group under the CDEM Resilience Fund and upon successful completion of projects, payments will be made to the West Coast Regional Council.

The CDEM Groups typically do not receive emergency related funding such as contributions to Mayoral Relief Funds or for reimbursement of response or recovery costs. These go to the affected local authorities.

Details about the CDEM Resilience Fund, including recipients and projects funded, can be found here: www.civildefence.govt.nz/cdem-sector/cdem-resilience-fund/#projects.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Yours sincerely



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