



LISTER PRESBYTERIAN HEALTH TRUST

Grant Application Information

Effective: 1 July 2026

ABOUT THE TRUST

The Lister Presbyterian Health Trust was formed in 2018 to continue the work of The North Shore Presbyterian Hospital Trust. It is a private charitable trust registered under the Charities Act 2005 and incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957.

The North Shore Presbyterian Hospital Trust was founded over 50 years ago by a group of Presbyterians, including local doctors and philanthropists. They wanted to buy and run the Lister Hospital in Anzac St Takapuna as it was destined to be sold for use as a motel. The North Shore Hospital had not been built at that stage, so the loss of the small hospital was viewed with concern. The group raised enough money from loans and appeals to buy the hospital as a going concern.

The Lister Hospital was run as a non-profit institution and, for a time, managed to keep its fees at a competitive level. It also maintained a 'free bed' available for short term patients on the recommendation of their doctor. However, faced with the need to expand to remain viable, parking and access restrictions, and noise from the Shore City complex, the Trust sold the hospital to Southern Cross in 1985.



The North Shore Presbyterian Hospital Trust then used its capital resources to earn an income and distribute a proportion each year to worthy charitable causes in the areas of physical or mental health, or spiritual welfare.

The Trustees of The North Shore Presbyterian Hospital Trust decided in 2019 to wind up the Trust and allow its charitable legacy to be continued under the newly formed Lister Presbyterian Health Trust.



GRANT CRITERIA

The Trust makes grants for charitable purposes at the sole discretion of the Trustees. The following criteria set out how the Trustees usually exercise their discretion.

The Trustees may make small grants to registered charities where the purpose of the grant is to advance the physical or mental health or spiritual welfare of people residing in the North Shore or Rodney areas of Auckland. The charity must be based in those areas or undertaking a specific activity in those areas.

The Trustees may also assist individuals residing in the North Shore or Rodney areas of Auckland with a small grant if it will both relieve poverty and advance their physical or mental health or spiritual welfare.

The Trust's geographical area coincides with the Auckland Council ward boundaries of Rodney, North Shore and Albany.

Grants are limited to a maximum of \$5,000 for a registered charity and a maximum of \$3,000 for an individual in any one year commencing on 1 July and ending on 30 June in the year following unless the Trustees in their sole discretion decide that an exception is justified.

The Trustees prefer to support charities that are working collaboratively, regionally or locally, to address an otherwise unmet or poorly resourced health need in their community rather than providing support that will encourage unnecessary duplication of services.

The Trustees prefer to provide targeted financial assistance (e.g., for a specific project or role) rather than meeting general administration or office costs.

Where the project or role is part of a wider activity, a specific budget for the North Shore/Rodney area must be provided, along with evidence that the grant will be tagged for that area only.

The Trustees look for evidence of the impact on health a grant will make and of the ability of the supported work to reach people in need and improve their health.

We generally do not provide specific feedback due to the number of applications received. However, the trustees thoroughly evaluate all applications according to the grant criteria, focusing on services delivered in the North Shore and Rodney areas.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

There are two funding rounds per year, with applications closing at 5pm on March 7 and September 7.

Applications must be made using the prescribed form – as applicable, either the INDIVIDUAL or the ORGANISATION application form.

Application forms can be obtained either by emailing the Trust Secretary secretary@listerphtrust.org.nz or by downloading from the Trust website www.listerphtrust.org.nz

Charities must ensure that they supply the documents listed in the “Grants Checklist.” Applications without these accompanying documents will not be accepted.

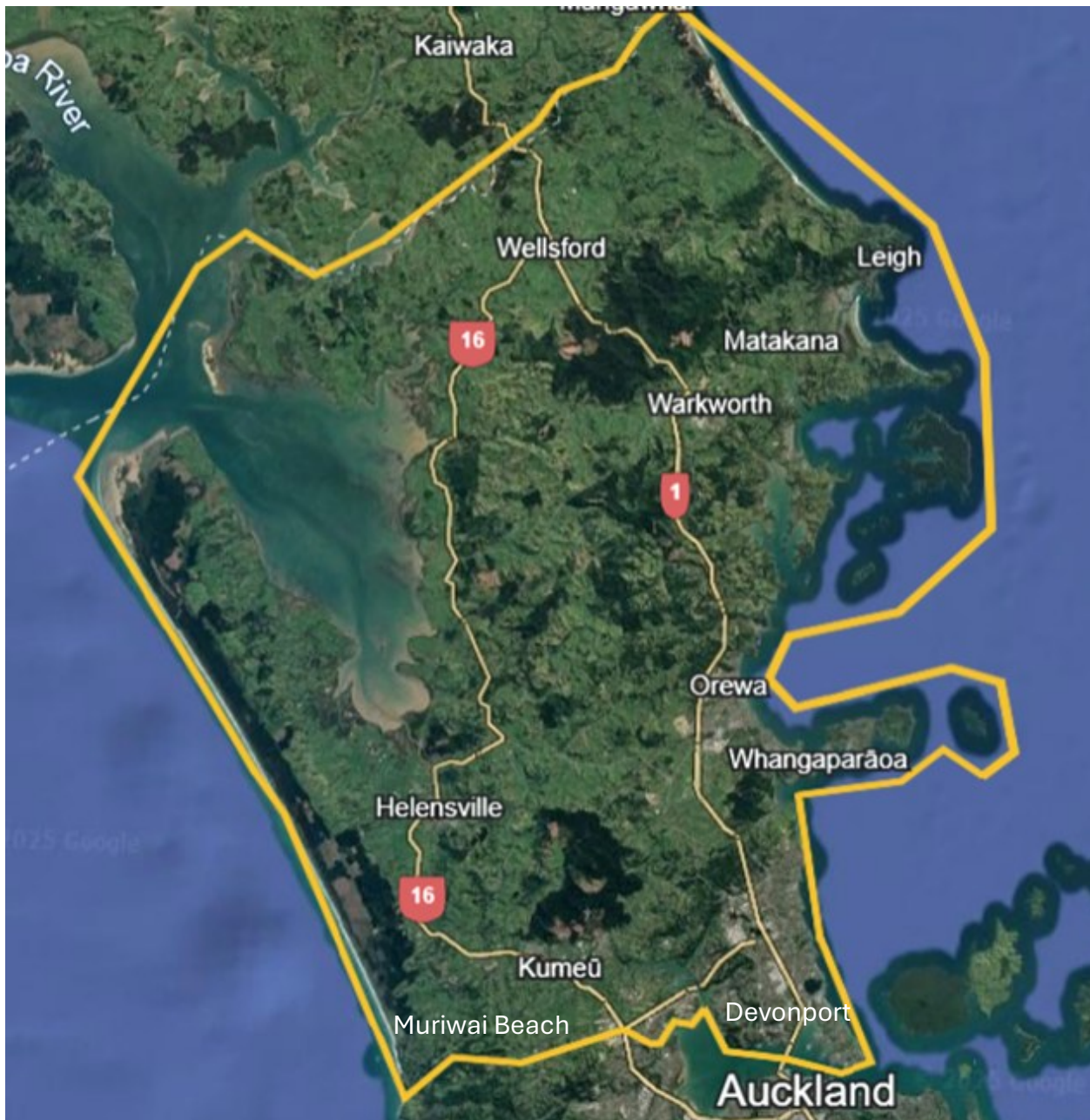
Individuals must provide the supporting evidence requested in the application form.

Successful applicants must provide evidence of receipt of funds and submit an accountability report within the specified period. Failure to provide this information may affect future applications.

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REFERENCE: <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/about-auckland-council/how-auckland-council-works/governing-body-wards-committees/wards/all-wards/Pages/default.aspx>