

What is a Manaaki Grant?

The Ngāti Koata Trust Manaaki grant is a new grant to provide one-off, quick response financial assistance to our most vulnerable whānau who are not able to find assistance elsewhere. Manaaki assistance may also be given on a non-financial basis such as kai, wood, vouchers etc.

The grant is intended to provide some immediate financial assistance to vulnerable whānau until they can access other government and social agency support – it is not intended as ongoing support. The Trust Office will also assist applicants with links to other services wherever possible.

How can I apply for a Manaaki grant?

Please complete the Ngāti Koata Trust Manaaki grant application and return to the Trust Office, either by email - pa@ngatikoata.com, by post - PO Box 1659, Nelson, 7040 or to the Office at 137 Vickerman St, Nelson.

Can I apply for the Manaaki grant on behalf of someone else?

Because of the level of detail we need for the application process, in most cases, the person themselves will need to apply for the Manaaki grant. However, you can assist someone else apply for the grant.

Who can apply for a Manaaki grant?

Anyone who affiliates to Ngāti Koata through descent from a primary ancestor of Ngāti Koata as defined within the Ngāti Koata Trust deed can apply for the grant.

What are the criteria to receive a Manaaki grant?

We will assess each Manaaki grant application on a case-by-case basis, but broadly speaking we are looking to support those in greatest need.

A number of key factors/criteria will be taken into account when reviewing Manaaki grant applications, such as - tamariki/kaumātua in household, have they lost their job, do they have access to basic supplies such as kai, medication, hygiene products.

When will I hear back?

The Manaaki grant is a fast turnaround grant – we aim to get back to you within five to seven working days.

Can I apply for the Manaaki grant even if I have already received support from other iwi entities?

Yes, you can apply for a Manaaki grant if you already received support from your iwi entity. However, this will be taken into account when making our assessment.

Will everyone who applies for a Manaaki grant get one?

No. This is a limited fund, and is aimed at assisting the most vulnerable. If we are not able to support you with a Manaaki grant, we will suggest other ways that you may be able to access support.

How much is the Manaaki grant?

The Manaaki grant is a one-off payment of up to NZD400.

My situation means that I need more financial assistance than \$400 – can you help?

The Manaaki grant is intended to provide some immediate assistance to vulnerable whānau until they can access other government and social agency support – it is not intended as ongoing support or to provide full solutions in every situation. We will do our best to connect you with other government and social agency support.

My situation means that I need other support – such as home help, shopping or getting to the doctor.

We will do our best to connect you with whānau support, or with other government and social agency support to help you with other needs.

How will the grant be paid?

In most cases, the Manaaki grant will be paid directly into the bank account of the person who applied. Once the decision has been made, we will aim to pay the grant into your bank account within five to seven working days.

Do I have to be living in New Zealand to get the Manaaki grant?

The Manaaki grant is available for all Ngāti Koata iwi.

Use of personal information

In order to assess and process applications for the Manaaki grant, and to provide you with the best support from other agencies, we would like your permission to the release (if needed) of, and use of, your personal information to our kaimahi and those we partner with, including other iwi, government organisations and social agencies.

We'll use the information you give us to make our decisions about the Manaaki grant, to help provide you with other support, and also to assist us with our communications, including updating our databases, and our reporting.

We will ask for your consent as part of the application process. If consent is not granted, we cannot assess and process your application.