

VOTE *Youth Development*

Youth Development

Overview

Appropriations sought for Vote Youth Development in 2006/07 total \$14.861 million (GST exclusive). This amount is intended to be spent as follows:

Departmental Appropriations

- \$2.554 million (17.2% of the Vote) on Enabling Youth Development.
- \$685,000 (4.6% of the Vote) on Facilitating Young People's Voices.
- \$3.168 million (21.3% of the Vote) on Youth Development Policy Advice.

Non-Departmental Appropriations

- \$7.263 million (48.9% of the Vote) on Services for Young People.
- \$1.096 million (7.4% of the Vote) on the Youth Development Partnership Fund.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

- \$95,000 (0.6% of the Vote) on the Commonwealth Youth Programme.

Details of how the appropriations are to be spent appear in Parts B1, C and D of this Vote.

Terms and Definitions Used

SPINZ Suicide Prevention Information New Zealand

Minister Portfolio Table

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VOTE MINISTER: Minister of Youth Affairs

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Social Development

The Minister for Social Development and Employment is the Responsible Minister for the Ministry of Social Development

The Ministry of Youth Development forms part of the Ministry of Social Development

Part A - Statement of Objectives and Trends

Part A1 - Objectives for Vote

Departmental Outcomes

The appropriations in Vote Youth Development will assist in achieving the following Government priority:

- all families, young and old, have the support and choices they need to be secure and be able to reach their full potential within our knowledge based economy.

The key outcome sought for Vote Youth Development relates to Children and Young People.

Outcome	Outcome Statement
Children and Young People	All children thrive in childhood, are respected and valued, have the opportunity to reach their full potential and participate positively in society now and in the future.

The appropriations provide for building a research base, the development of a regional presence to enable responsiveness to local needs, the provision of policy advice on issues affecting young people, the management of funding and contracts for youth development services, and the promotion of youth engagement, in order to improve outcomes for young people and to support the implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa*.

The *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa* promotes the application of a youth development approach as a way of understanding what needs to happen for, around and with young people in New Zealand. It is about how government and society can support young women and men aged 12 to 24 years and how they develop the skills and attitudes they need to take a positive part in society both now and in the future.

Launched in February 2002, the Strategy consists of a vision, principles, aims and goals, and suggests actions that can be taken to support the positive development of young people. Public sector agencies are encouraged to use the Strategy when developing youth policies, and delivering services and programmes for young people. It is also a tool for individuals, groups, and organisations that work at all levels with young people and deal with the issues facing them.

Output Expense Appropriations

To achieve these objectives, the appropriations are intended to fund a wide range of activities, including:

- leading the development and implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa* to ensure new and existing policies and services meet the needs of young New Zealanders

- ensuring the delivery of high quality services and outcomes for young people, through analysis of the sector, strengthening co-ordination and leadership, and by developing priority areas for intervention within the youth sector
- increasing young people's opportunities for, and engagement with, activities that promote citizenship, and facilitating ways in which young people can more effectively represent themselves and their communities
- targeting support and services so that young people can develop the skills and knowledge required to prepare for life as independent adults and to achieve sustainable education, training, and employment
- purchase of subsidised programmes and services that enable the implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa*
- providing partial funding to enable Territorial Authorities to respond to emerging needs and opportunities for young people.

Links Between Departmental Output Expenses and Outcomes

The Ministry of Youth Development primarily contributes to the Ministry of Social Development's high-level outcome for Children and Young People. The links between the Ministry of Youth Development's output expenses and the Children and Young People outcome are set out below:

Departmental Output Expenses	Outcomes
Enabling Youth Development	Children and Young People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • delivers youth development programmes at regional and local levels, to ensure young people have the opportunity to reach their full potential • identify and support local initiatives to improve youth development outcomes for young people.
Facilitating Young People's Voices	Children and Young People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • supports young people to participate in decisions that affect them and to ensure their views are considered • incorporate young people's input into youth development policy, programme and service development.
Youth Development Policy Advice	Children and Young People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • supports young people to participate in society and to improve outcomes for young people • research and analysis of factors that influence young people's access to opportunities for economic and social development.

Key Priorities

In 2006/07 particular focus will be placed on:

- development of a strategic framework to prioritise the Ministry of Youth Development's own activities, contribution to the work of other agencies, and utilise the strengths of the Ministry of Social Development
- facilitating youth participation and representation through effective models of practice, including Youth Parliament 2007

- regional development to support the local delivery of youth services, including the establishment of four regional hubs and the development of a local government relationship strategy
- contributing to a strong and sustainable youth sector through an analysis of gaps in the sector
- coordinating the monitoring and reporting on progress towards achieving the goals of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Part A2 - Trends in Vote

Departmental Output Trends: 2001/02 to 2006/07

On 1 July 2004 the name of Vote Youth Affairs changed to Vote Youth Development. Changes in departmental outputs principally reflect the provision of funding for policy advice on drug education in 2002/03.

Departmental appropriations decreased slightly in 2005/06. While \$1.022 million was transferred from non-departmental funding to increase the ability to identify, capture and disseminate good youth development practice, this was offset by the transfer of administrative responsibility for the *New Zealand Suicide Prevention Strategy* to Vote Health.

Departmental appropriations decreased slightly in 2006/07. The transfer of administrative responsibility for the *New Zealand Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy* to Vote Health in Budget 2004 transferred more funding in 2006/07 than in 2005/06.

Non-Departmental Output Trends: 2001/02 to 2006/07

The increase in non-departmental output expense appropriations in 2002/03 was for new youth development programme initiatives. These initiatives covered Specialist Youth Service Corps programmes for youth justice clients and support for the Young New Zealanders' Challenge. Other changes up until 2005/06 reflect the:

- extension of the Suicide Prevention Information New Zealand (SPINZ) project and the establishment of this activity as a non-departmental output class in 2001/02
- transfer of funding from the Conservation Corps to the Youth Service Corps programme in 2001/02
- expansion of the Specialist Youth Services Corps programme in 2003/04
- increased funding for Youth Development programmes in 2004/05, and
- expansion of the Youth Suicide programme in 2004/05.

The non-departmental appropriations changed significantly in 2005/06 reflecting a commitment to further implement the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa* at a regional and local level. Previous non-departmental appropriations have been consolidated into a single appropriation called Services for Young People. Also \$1.022 million has been transferred into a departmental appropriation to increase the ability of the Ministry of Youth Development to identify, capture and disseminate good youth development practice. A further \$889,000 was transferred into a second new non-departmental appropriation called Youth Development Partnership Fund. Finally, the Youth Suicide Prevention Information Service funding was transferred to Vote Health as part of the transfer of administrative responsibility for the *New Zealand Suicide Prevention Strategy*.

Non-Departmental Output Expenses increased slightly in 2006/07. The main reason for the increase was two expense transfers (\$847,000) from 2005/06 to 2006/07 which give a one off boost to funding in 2006/07.

Part B - Statement of Appropriations

Summary of Financial Activity

	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06		2006/07 Appropriations to be Used				2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	
	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Budget \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	By the Department Administering the Vote		For Non-Departmental Transactions		Total \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000
							Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000				
Appropriations														
Output Expenses	8,883	9,958	11,873	13,646	14,225	14,225	6,407	-	8,359	-	14,766	13,838	13,598	13,598
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	98	100	101	97	95	95	-	-	95	-	95	95	95	95
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	8,981	10,058	11,974	13,743	14,320	14,320	6,407	-	8,454	-	14,861	13,933	13,693	13,693
Crown Revenue and Receipts														
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-

Part B1 - Details of Appropriations

Appropriations	2005/06				2006/07		Scope of 2006/07 Appropriations
	Budget		Estimated Actual		Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Departmental Output Expenses (General)							
Enabling Youth Development (M77)	2,554	-	2,554	-	2,554	-	- Provision of advice that enables the implementation of the Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa through the design, delivery and management of youth development services at a regional and local level.
Facilitating Young People's Voices (M77)	688	-	688	-	685	-	- Provision of advice that facilitates young people's input into policy, programme and service development.
Youth Development Policy Advice (M77)	3,518	-	3,518	-	3,168	-	- Provision of advice on policies, programmes, services and good practice that promotes the Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa. Reason for Change: This decrease is caused by the transfer of administrative responsibility for the New Zealand Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy to Vote Health being larger in 2006/07 than in 2005/06.
Total Departmental Output Expenses (General)	6,760	-	6,760	-	6,407	-	
Non-Departmental Output Expenses							
Services for Young People (M77)	6,783	-	6,783	-	7,263	-	- Provision of programmes and services to enable the implementation of the Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa at a regional and local level. Reason for Change: This increase is due to a transfer of funding from 2005/06 to 2006/07 to cover deferred costs of youth development providers administrative systems.
Youth Development Partnership Fund (M77)	682	-	682	-	1,096	-	- Provision of one-off partial funding, to assist Territorial Authorities to respond to the emerging needs and opportunities for young people. Reason for Change: This increase is due to a transfer of funding from 2005/06 to 2006/07 due to additional consultation with Territorial Authorities in 2005/06.
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	7,465	-	7,465	-	8,359	-	
Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown							
Commonwealth Youth Programme (M77)	95	-	95	-	95	-	- Maintenance of the Commonwealth Youth Programme with pledge contributions as agreed to by Heads of Government.
Total Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown	95	-	95	-	95	-	
Total Appropriations	14,320	-	14,320	-	14,861	-	

Part C - Explanation of Appropriations for Output Expenses

Part C1 - Departmental Output Expenses

For more detailed information, including financial and non-financial performance measures, refer to the Ministry of Social Development's Statement of Intent 2006.

Enabling Youth Development

This output expense provides advice that enables the development and implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa* through the design, delivery and management of youth development services at a local and regional level. These services are funded through Non-Departmental Output Expenses and purchased from third parties.

This output expense contributes to the Ministry of Social Development's outcomes for Children and Young People by improving outcomes for young people at local, regional, and national levels.

Facilitating Young People's Voices

This output expense provides advice that incorporates young people's voices into policy, programme and service development to improve outcomes for young people at a local, regional and national level, in order to support the development and implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa*. This output expense includes delivering events and workshops that assist local government and youth development providers to implement the Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa.

This output expense contributes to the Ministry of Social Development's outcomes for Children and Young People by improving outcomes for young people at local, regional, and national levels.

Youth Development Policy Advice

This output expense provides advice on policies, services and good practice that promotes the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa*. It includes research and analysis of factors that influence young people's access to opportunities for economic and social wellbeing. The output expense also includes Ministerial Services.

This output expense contributes to the Ministry of Social Development's outcomes for Children and Young People by improving outcomes for young people at local, regional, and national levels.

Part C2 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Services for Young People

The Minister of Youth Affairs will purchase subsidised programmes and services that enable the implementation of the *Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa*, promote effective cross-sectoral responses for young people and facilitate the recognition, development and implementation of youth development at a regional and local level.

Performance measures**Quantity**

The number of programmes or services purchased.

The number of young people participating in programmes or services purchased.

Quality

80% of participating young people report being satisfied or very satisfied with the service or programme.

80% of participating young people report an improvement in their personal and social skills and contribution to their environment.

65% of participating young people move into employment, education or training.

Cost

This output will be provided within the appropriated sum of \$7.263 million GST exclusive.

	2005/06 \$000	2006/07 \$000
Total output class expenses	6,783	7,263
Total output class revenues	-	-

Youth Development Partnership Fund

The Minister of Youth Affairs will provide partial funding to enable Territorial Authorities to respond to the emerging needs and opportunities for young people.

Performance measures**Quantity**

The number of territorial authorities applying for partial funding.

The number of territorial authorities receiving partial funding.

Quality

80% of young people participating in the territorial authorities initiative report having: improved self esteem; improved personal development; improved connection to family or community; and/or improved health.

70% of young people participating in the territorial authorities initiative report being able to move into employment, further training or tertiary education or to other youth development opportunities.

Cost

This output will be provided within the appropriated sum of \$1.096 million GST exclusive.

	2005/06 \$000	2006/07 \$000
Total output class expenses	682	1,096
Total output class revenues	-	-

Part D - Explanation of Appropriations for Other Operating Flows

Part D3 - Other Expenses

Commonwealth Youth Programme

The Ministry of Youth Development will maintain the Commonwealth Youth programme with pledge contributions as agreed by Heads of Government.