

'I AM HER' GRANT



BACKGROUND

The 'I AM HER' grant scheme was put in place in 2016 by the IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust. It is to assist young girls of an ethnic origin, between 8 to 18 years of age, in their educational development within the areas of dance, sport, art and music, outside of their academic curriculum. The name of the grant enroots the existence of girls in the community and celebrates girlhood.

SOURCE OF FUNDING

The grant-giving body or funder is the IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust.

PURPOSE

To provide financial assistance for young girls, of an ethnic background, in their educational development within activities outside of their academic curriculum.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant should be of an ethnic origin.
 2. Applicant should be a girl between 8 to 18 years of age on the first of January of the year of the grant.
 3. Applicant should be actively involved in an extra-curricular* activity.
 4. The applicant should demonstrate evidence of the reason for which the grant is being sought. Examples include funds needed for a sports tour, dance competition, art exhibition or a music contest.
 5. The applicant should be a member of a club/group for the extra-curricular activity.
 6. Applicant must provide 2 reference letters – one from their teacher and one from their coach, mentor or tutor. These letters should highlight their enthusiasm for the activity, and their potential to grow.
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7. Applicant should provide evidence of financial restraints as a letter from their parent(s). We will only consider individuals who would not be able to participate in their activity due to financial issues.
8. Applicant must show competitiveness and high performance in the area of interest. This could be demonstrated through certificates and achievement awards in the activity.

*Extra-curricular activities include, but are not limited to the following:

-  **Sports:** Tennis, badminton, baseball, hockey, cricket, soccer, swimming, skiing and gymnastics.
-  **Dance:** Bollywood, bhangra, classical, contemporary, hip hop, jazz and ballet.
-  **Arts:** Theatre, sketching, painting and photography.
-  **Music:** Playing instruments, composing and singing.

VALUE

One grant, valued at \$1000 NZD, will be awarded each year.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

-  In the case of there being more than one applicant that the committee consider should be awarded a grant, the committee reserve the right to equally split the grant between recipients as they in their absolute discretion consider appropriate.
-  In the case of there being no applicants or no eligible candidates that the committee consider should be awarded a grant, the committee reserve the right to retain the grant funds in the 'IAMHER' account for similar use in the following year.

APPLICANT PROCESS

Applicants should complete the official IAMHER grant application form to reach the grant selection panel by 1st October in the year for which the grant is awarded. Only applications made on the official form, and including all requested supporting information, will be accepted.



SELECTION SUB COMMITTEE

The IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust board members may delegate the selection process to a grant/fundraising sub-committee which will take responsibility for assessing the applications and making recommendations to the committee. When deemed appropriate, the committee may delegate aspects of decision-making to the sub-committee. The members of the sub-committee must have experience in coaching, mentoring or tutoring extra-curricular activities. In extreme circumstances or complex situations, the Trust board members reserve the right to make the final decision as they in their absolute discretion consider appropriate.

PROPOSAL DETAILS

The proposal will need to fit within the purpose of the grant, as defined above; and it will have appropriate content relevant to the applicant furthering her ongoing personal development within an extra-curricular activity of her interest. The grant will not be awarded for activities already completed at the time of the application.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection will be based on how well the following criteria are met:

1. The applicant's record of involvement in the activity.
 2. The purpose for the need of the grant, examples include funds needed for a sports tour, dance competition, art exhibition or a music contest.
 3. The financial restraints of the applicant which prevent her from participating.
 4. How the use of the funds will contribute to the development of her skills.
 5. The applicant's ability to apply and share widely her learning or experience.
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REPORTING REQUIREMENT

The recipient is expected to submit a brief written report to the committee within three months of receipt of the grant. This report must be written by the coach, mentor, tutor or teacher to provide satisfactory progress on her development within the activity.

DISCLAIMER

The IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust assumes no responsibility for or liability to a grant recipient beyond the prize awarded.

TIME FRAME

Applications close on 1st October of the year in which the grant will be awarded. Award winners will be announced by 31st December of the relevant year, and appropriate arrangements will be made for presentation.

PAYMENT

The IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust shall administer the award. Payments shall be made in such manner and on such conditions as shall be determined by the committee. The funds will be made in full at the beginning of the period. In certain circumstances, depending on the nature of the proposal, half the funds may be paid at the beginning of a period, with the balance payable after six months, subject to satisfactory progress reports.

SUSPENSION or TERMINATION

The IAMHE(R) Charitable Trust may at any time suspend or terminate any prize or forfeit such portion of the prize as it may determine, if it is not satisfied that the grant recipient is diligently pursuing her proposal, or if the recipient has failed to comply with any of the terms and conditions on which the prize was awarded.



Address Application to:

Dr Sarkaw Mohammad
174 Cambridge Road
Hamilton 3216
New Zealand

For further information, please contact:

Dr Sarkaw Mohammad
021 100 7363



**APPLICATION FORM
'I AM HER' GRANT**



SECTION A:

NAME:.....

DOB:.....

ADDRESS:.....

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PHONE: (HOME).....(MOBILE).....

SECTION B:

What is the activity that you are involved in.....

Briefly describe yourself and your personal goals (max 50 words)

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Briefly state why you should get this grant (max 50 words)

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SECTION C

Name, address, phone number of 2 referees (teacher and coach/mentor/tutor)

Referee 1:

Name:.....Relationship:.....

Address:.....

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Phone number:.....

Referee 2:

Name:.....Relationship:.....

Address:.....

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Phone number:.....

SECTION D

I accept the conditions of the grant, and accept the judgement of the selection panel in the awarding of this grant.

Applicant Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (for minors) _____

Date _____



CHECKLIST:

Please check you have also included the following on single sided A4 sheets.

-  Evidence of involvement in the activity (this could be an enrolment form or a letter from your coach, mentor, tutor or teacher confirming your involvement).
-  Evidence of the reason for which the grant is being sought, such as application forms for a sports tour, dance competition, art exhibition or a music contest.
-  Supporting letter from 2 referees.
-  Evidence of financial restraints in the form of a letter from parent(s).
-  Evidence of high performance in the activity such as certificates or achievement awards.

Post applications to:

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