

ParaFed Waikato Funding Guidelines:

Purpose – ParaFed Waikato exists to provide and promote sporting and recreational opportunities for people with a physical disability.

ParaFed recognizes that access to funding is a barrier for many of its members to participate in sport and recreation and so tries to support its members by assisting with the cost of participation.

This funding policy is to help ParaFed fairly and equitably assess funding requests by members, and where possible assist ParaFed to out-source funds for these activities.

Details: Section A identifies the expectation of accountability and recognition from members receiving grants/funds; section B identifies who is eligible to apply for funds and section C outlines the level of funds appropriate to any given situation and application.

Section A: Accountability and recognition

i) ParaFed Waikato expects as a condition of receiving a grant or funds, from ParaFed, that members agree to report back to ParaFed on the funded activity in a timely manner, and also they promote ParaFed Waikato in a positive light, while involved with the activity.

ii) ParaFed funding grants are generally paid to members on receipt of a report/letter (suitable for accountability and/or newsletter) after the activity is completed.

ii) ParaFed recognizes in some cases, where funds have been successfully gained for specific activities, eg flights, registrations, equipment, etc, they may need to be paid prior to the activity in order for the activity to take place. In these instances, ParaFed would pay such costs directly to the supplier upon receiving an account, or to an individual member, upon receiving a receipt as proof of payment made.

Section B: Where a funding application is being made for a group or team, (e.g. team travel, Nationals competition, etc., but not local trainings) individuals must be fully paid members, either senior or junior, prior to their selection to the event. Social and family members will be eligible to participate in local trainings.

Where individuals are making application for funds; new members must have been financial members at least 2 months prior to the application;

Existing members must be full financial members before an application can be considered;

Where the individual's activity fits within a current sport/activity where there is a plan, the application should come through that activity sub-committee, unless exceptional circumstances prevent this process.

Funding applications should be presented to the funding sub-committee 6 weeks prior to the funding being required, unless exceptional circumstances prevent this.

Funding is generally only available to members who live within the ParaFed Waikato geographical boundaries, however applications may be considered from "out of region" members, or on their behalf, where exceptional circumstances warrant this and a benefit to the local members would be gained from this.

Section C: Where a funding application for an agreed activity has been successfully lodged with a trust or other funder, whether on behalf of a group or individual, the entire amount of those funds received for the activity will be made available to the applicants for that purpose.

Where an application has not been, or is not able to be made to a funding agency by ParaFed for the activity, the following shall be used as a guideline when assessing the level of support offered by ParaFed, the actual support given may vary at the discretion of the funding committee.

Paralympic and World Championships	\$500.00
Nationals Competition	\$350.00
Overseas Regional and National competition	\$350.00
Local (NZ) Regional Competition	\$150.00
Recreational activity	\$100.00 -350.00

Note- It should be recognized as standard practice that a report from all successful applicants is submitted to ParaFed Waikato on completion of the funded activity suitable for the ParaFed newsletter and to support the accountability process to outside funders. (photo's, quotes and outcomes to be reported)

The ParaFed Waikato Funding committee currently meets on the 3rd Monday of each month so applications will be assessed on this timeline.