

Enabling Good Lives

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A family has chosen your organisation as their funding provider, what is the process for the family to engage into your services?

Complete online Request to Join form from our website www.skillwise.org.nz

What is the exit process a family will need to go through to exit your services, for example do you have a stand down period?

Four weeks written notice of ending of agreement

What are all the services your organisation provides?

Group activity support

- \$40 per session (half day) weekday activities run from SkillWise base. Groups run for 45 weeks of the year groups do not run for 1 month of Christmas holidays and for the first week of each school holiday
- Individuals commit to a session for particular length of time usually 12 months –
 and people are charged each week even for casual absences (i.e. illness, holiday).
 However, we are flexible about making changes to activities and for long periods of
 absence
- Some group activities require an additional contribution to cover costs e.g. \$4 for cooking to cover food costs
- Group activities include:
 - The White Room Creative Space https://thewhiteroom.org.nz/ art and creative space we artists are supported to create, exhibit and sell work
 - Model Train Club Free-Mo. Including attending exhibitions and hosting community weekend (4 per year)
 - Many Hats Theatre Company http://manyhatstheatre.co.nz/ only take new members via audition process. Looking to hold an audition later in 2020
 - Other creative endeavours: Photography, Pottery (external tutor), Stone Carving (external tutor), Music & Singing, Reel Tree Film productions, Sewing & Textiles, Radio Show (Plains FM), Newsletter (The SkillWise Journal)
 - Sports & Recreation: Summer Cricket (Craig McMillian Series +Twilight Cricket competition), Tee Ball, Badminton, Swimming, Walking, Indoor Cricket & Soccer (winter). Golf, Katang (community exercise class), pool/snooker, Netball (winter)
 - Volunteering: Willowbank, Meals on Wheels, 0800 Hungry, Gardening (Smith St Community Garden)

- Teaching & learning: ASDAN programme, Cooking, Current Affairs, Money Skills, Self-Advocacy, Advanced Computers (via CCC Libraries), NZ Culture; Healthy Relationships
- Courses that run throughout the year based on demand: Sexuality and Relationships (via Family Planning Association); Appetite for Life (external tutor); Bike Safety (via CCC); First Aid (via Red Cross) Literacy & Numeracy (via Literacy Aotearoa), Road Code (via Literacy Christchurch), Emergency Preparedness (Red Cross/EDLG), Wellbeing Workshops (CCC/EDLG), Epilepsy (Epilepsy NZ)

1:1 Community support

- \$32 per hour individualised support based on need
- Some examples:
 - Learning to bus
 - Gaining volunteer work
 - Joining the gym + learning to use the equipment
 - Connecting into community groups and clubs
- Can be short-term and time framed i.e. six sessions for bus orientation.

Employment Support

- https://www.facebook.com/SkillwiseEmploymentSupport/
- No charge this service is funded by MSD
- Young person must've left school to enrol in our service
- Support to find paid employment in the open labour market min. 5 hours per week, on minimum wage
- Includes CV creation, applying for jobs, attending interviews, job orientation and training, application for job support (if necessary) + on-going support (post-12 months if required)
- Can also include connecting into work experience opportunities, if possible/suitable

Flexible Disability Support (FDS)

- SkillWise holds an FDS contract and can provide a combination (or all) of the following services:
 - Funds hosting including partial hosting of funding i.e. the amounts required to access SkillWise support.
 - Facilitated buying making purchases/paying invoices to other services on your behalf
 - Flexible support (group/1:1 support as above)
- People with an EGL Personal Budget do not need to join under an FDS agreement although this is our preference. People can access any of our services and we will send monthly invoices to a nominated person or agency.







What are your fees?

Group Activities: \$40 per session (half day)

• 1:1 Community Support: \$32 per hour

GST may apply

• \$150 annual administration fee – to cover paperwork, meeting attendance etc.

For FDS we charge a hosting fee (set by MOH):

Percentage	Weekly Budget
6.00%	\$0-499
5.50%	\$500 – 1100
4.75%	\$1101 +

• For Facilitated Buying we charge a 10% processing fee (of total invoice) and may charge a facilitation/set up charge (\$32/hour or part thereof)

Are they different if the family provide their own support worker/s?

No

What is your process if the family wish to make a purchase application? Is there a fee for this process, if so, what is that?

- To purchase on behalf of an individual, we charge a 10% processing fee (of total invoice) and may charge a facilitation/set up charge (\$32/hour or part thereof)
- We can also process reimbursements, if the family wish to purchase the item themselves and would charge 10% processing fee, but no facilitation/set up charge would apply.











