

## **Guidelines for**

### **Allocation of financial assistance for NZCCM and WCCM events**

NZCCM seeks to enable all who wish to attend CM events to be able to do so. While keeping our fees as low as possible, NZCCM recognises that these fees can still be out of reach for some members. We invite members to let us know if they are unable to attend an event due to their constrained financial situation. This document provides guidance on allocating financial assistance.

#### **Principles**

1. NZCCM does not seek to make a profit from its events.
2. Events are priced on a cost recovery basis.
3. To support those in financially constrained circumstances, NZCCM invites those who are better off to donate additional funds to enable reductions in fees to others in need.
4. Funding may be offered to a person for a NZCCM or a WCCM event when it is known that this person would contribute actively to the CM community and also would not be able to attend if financial support was not available. Such offers will generally be made when the learning and development from the event will, in some way, contribute to the ongoing work of CM; or the person is needed to help run the event they will be attending.

#### **Funding Allocation Guide**

Any person may seek funding support, by talking with, emailing or writing to the event organiser with the amount they wish to be funded and the reason for their request.

The event organiser consults another Council member about applications for less than \$500. When applications are for more than \$500, given there are sufficient NZCCM funds available, at least 3 Council members, preferably those who know the potential recipient, must agree. Once the decision is agreed, it is communicated by a Council member to the applicant.

#### **Priority will be given to:**

1. Group leaders, oblates and those who contribute to NZCCM in concrete ways;
2. Younger meditators who have a strong commitment to Christian Meditation and the potential to contribute to NZCCM;
3. Those who have significant additional expenses, eg travel from the South Island;
4. Those who have not received NZCCM financial support in the previous three years;

**Review:** This process to be reviewed tri-annually at an AGM, or more often as required.

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