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SKYCITY Queenstown Casino Community Trust is proud to support
39 community groups in 2018 with a total distribution of \$101,888.27

ORGANISATION	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT	AWARDED AMOUNT
Baskets of Blessing	<p>Let's Eat! collects quality surplus food from the supermarkets that would otherwise be discarded. Their team cooks this food and turns it into delicious, nutritious frozen meals. These meals are being distributed to those in the community that are going through a difficult time.</p> <p>Let's Eat! is on a mission in Queenstown to reduce food waste, feed people in need and bring people together by sharing food. Funding has been granted to assist in paying for a refrigerated trailer for the project.</p>	5,000.00
Branches Charitable Trust	<p>Branches Camp provides year 10 students the experience of camping in the back country for 12 days. The Branches Trust was formed to ensure that cost is not a barrier for attendees by raising funds to reduce the cost of the camp to families. The Branches Camp has run for 50 years. In that time there have been many experiences shared and the camp is dear to the hearts of all who attended. As a fundraising activity Branches Charitable Trust have decided to publish a book looking back over the 50 years with stories and photos from the students who attended the camp, the teachers, and other's that have been involved. The aim is to raise over \$100,000 from the sale of the book and to establish contact with past campers with the aim of setting up an annual contribution from these supporters. This fund will ensure the long term sustainability of the Trust and ultimately the camp. The response to requests for stories and photos has been amazing and they are now receiving enquiries as to when the book will be available.</p>	7,000.00
Drama Queenstown	<p>Drama Queenstown aim to provide tuition and performance opportunities for the youth of the Wakatipu in drama and musical theatre. Every November they produce a large show performed by their students (100+)aged between 5-16 years. The children perform a musical play produced by their staff and volunteers. They have received funding to assist in purchasing costumes and props for the show.</p>	1,270.00
Happiness House Trust	<p>Happiness House is a community based non-profit organization which provides services to the Wakatipu district. They are the only drop-in centre and provide a warm friendly confidential environment where people can meet in a homelike setting. Their mission is to assist those in need by encouraging healthy empowering life choices. They provide a number of projects: Cooking on a budget, help with CV's, Craft Days, Produce Day, a Golf Frisbee group as well as encouraging those that feel social isolation to come along for a drink and chat. These activities require a warm environment to encourage people to attend, socialize and enjoy the activities.</p>	2,500.00
Holy Family Catholic School Wanaka	<p>The school is a full primary state integrated school with a special Catholic character. From 27 pupils, their roll has grown steadily to their current maximum of 225. They provide an environment that enables young people to develop the attitudes, knowledge and skills to become active and committed members of their Faith community and to contribute positively to the world community. They have received funding to contribute towards developing a creative play space, which will include an outdoor stage, percussion instruments, and structures that allow for open-ended play.</p>	2,000.00

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Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country Community Association	Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country Community Association promote and protect the interests and welfare of the citizens of the residential suburb of Lake Hayes Estate and Shotover Country and develop a community spirit. They have received funding to provide cricket nets and Tiger Turf at McBride park in Lake Hayes Estate.	3,990.34
Life Education Trust Heartland Otago	Life Education Trust , a charity working with over 250,000 primary school children nationwide, helps to empower them to make the right decisions about their bodies, friendships, identity, food and nutrition, and helpful/harmful substances. The aim is for them to become good citizens in their communities as they mature. Life education Trust Heartland received funding to provide a hoist for access to their mobile classroom for wheelchair access and for people, both school children and adults, who have disabilities or injuries. They currently visit 60 primary schools in their territory extending from Mosgiel to Makarora and Balclutha to Glenorchy, and conduct classes for nearly 8000 school children. Throughout their territory there are at least 20 children and adults who need assistance gaining access to the classroom.	2,000.00
LINK Upper Clutha (governed by the Alpine Community Development Trust)	LINK Upper Clutha is a locally driven community development initiative, identifying actions the Upper Clutha community can take to preserve what's special about their place and keep connected as they grow. LINK Upper Clutha received funding to run six months' worth of our community-wide Connection Cafes. LINK holds monthly "Connection Cafes"; drop-in networking sessions open to all to discuss community issues and opportunities. A place where attendees can meet others, tap into the community database and ask the LINK team about turning ideas into actions. LINK serves as a community development resource for individuals and community groups, offering free advice during these sessions.	900.00
LUMA Light Festival Trust	The purpose of the LUMA Light Festival Trust is to produce an accessible, world-class, public event which engages the community to explore the connection between art, technology and design through the medium of light. LUMA is an all-ages, family friendly, non commercial festival held over 4 nights. It features illuminated sculptures, features local, national, and international artists, an outdoor cinema, interactive displays, performance, video projections and a hospitality area. They expect a reach of between 50,000 to 60,000 from all demographics - from visiting tourists to locals and families. They have received funding for technical production costs associated with the delivery of the festival.	4,000.00
Parent to Parent Southland	Parent to Parent supports the wrap around family and caregivers of people who have disabilities and health impairments. They endeavour to take families from isolated, overwhelmed and unsure of the future to feel hopeful and empowered. Parent to parent received funding to take 20 deserving and hardworking mums who have a child with a health impairment, disability, or extra need for a Mum's day out. Many of these mums do not have a break in their busy lives to do something for themselves. It is an opportunity to meet other mum's in the same situation as them and build relationships.	1,362.00
Parenting Place - Attitude Youth Division	The Parenting Place supports parents and young people through a range of parenting education and life skill programmes. The youth division provides programs and presentations in 93% of NZ High Schools. Their objective is to encourage mental and emotional resilience to help prevent teen pregnancy, bullying, drug/ alcohol abuse, and low self esteem. They have received funding to assist with a project involving three Attitude presenters visiting Central Otago during August 2019 to deliver life skill presentations to seven schools.	364.32
Presbyterian Support Southland	Presbyterian Support Southland's vision is a community where all people can make the most of their strengths and feel included, valued and safe. To help bring this vision to reality they assist and encourage people facing life's challenges. They provide a range of services across Southland through Enliven and Family Works, and have received funding for their Big Buddy program. Children who enter the Wakatipu Buddy Programme need extra adult support due to many factors impacting on their lives, such as family separation, dysfunction, death or financial difficulty. The Big Buddy volunteers meet with their Little Buddies approximately 2-3 hours each week doing one-on-one activities such as biking, baking or playing games. There is also 3-4 group outings arranged every year where they participate in group activities. The aims are to provide friendship, fun, support, guidance and encouragement. This will increase the children's self-esteem, develop social skills and help children make positive choices.	1,500.00

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Project Litefoot Trust	Litefoot is a charitable trust working between sport and environment. Led by ten prominent sports-people including Michael Campbell, Brendon McCullum, and Conrad Smith. Their ambition is to inspire New Zealanders to be environmental champions using the spirit of sport - teamwork and competitiveness - as the foundation for doing so. Their lead initiative is LiteClub - a programme designed to help community sports clubs reduce their environmental impact, freeing up money in the process. LiteClub's objective is to drive a transformation of New Zealand's community sports infrastructure - and the culture to match - so that this collective group is electricity independent, water neutral and zero waste by 2025. They have received funding towards the costs of implementing the LiteClub programme into five community sports clubs. They aim to change inefficient light bulbs to energy saving LEDs, install water saving devices, wrap hot water cylinders and lag pipes, and install a waste-minimisation programme.	2,000.00
Queenstown Arts Centre (Queenstown Arts Society)	The Queenstown Arts Centre provide a facility and to promote the participation and appreciation of the visual arts in Queenstown. There is a gallery for artists to exhibit, studios for artists to thrive, and a workroom for events and art classes. They have received funding to buy office and computer equipment to replace their outdated equipment.	2,326.00
Queenstown Dog Agility Club	The Queenstown Dog Agility Club provide a place for dog owners to have fun with their best buddy in a safe supportive environment whilst learning dog welfare, safety and behaviour - for all ages. They provide expert volunteer training, so people can reach their full potential and in turn creating a life balance of keeping minds and bodies active. They have received funding to construct an 'A frame" obstacle.	1,620.00
Queenstown Hockey Club	Queenstown Hockey Club aims to provide an affordable and accessible avenue for Our entire community to learn to play hockey, meet new people, keep fit and belong to a community club. Their members play in a local summer competition, weekly Central Otago winter competitions then onto representative and masters level if they wish. In 2018 Queenstown Hockey Club experienced continued member growth particularly in school aged children, and for the first time ever entered two teams in the junior age group competition and had 12 new high school players. They have received funding for equipment so families that can not afford gear, still have an opportunity for their children to play at the club.	2,000.00
Queenstown Ice Hockey	Queenstown Ice Hockey are a local based ice hockey club providing ice hockey opportunities - from kids through to adults. Along with regular training, they participate in regional and national level comps. There is also the opportunity for social games. In order to encourage kids to join the sport, they lend them the appropriate gear. This is expensive and the gear suffers from wear and tear. They have received a grant to replace some of this gear with this grant. This will allow them to maintain safety, and give kids a chance to try out a sport that has a high barrier of entry due to the cost of the gear.	2,000.00
Queenstown Lakes Baby Box Charitable Trust	Queenstown Lakes Baby Box Charitable Trust coordinate and facilitate the Queenstown Lakes District Baby Box project and in doing so support and enable families to become more connected and resilient. They have received funding to contribute towards bringing 500 baby boxes to the area.	3,000.00
Queenstown Lakes District Council	The Queenstown Lakes District Council aims to enhance the quality of life for all people within the district by being responsive to the community needs through planning and development. The annual New Year's Eve Celebrations on the lake fronts of Queenstown and Wanaka bring together a community of locals, travelers, tourists and holiday makers in a centralized downtown venue, Earnslaw Park and the Town Centre Lakefront in Queenstown and the Lakefront of Wanaka to celebrate in a safe, controlled and liquor free environment where local talent is showcased over two stages in both locations. The celebrations are topped off with the unique and traditional fireworks display at midnight over the lake which is considered a draw-card amongst the crowds. Each event entertains over 10,000 - 15,000 people over the course of the evening with an influx of people drawn in to see the fireworks display in both locations. They have received funding to assist with the costs of running this event.	3,000.00
Queenstown Primary School	Queenstown Primary School promotes quality, encourages perseverance and empowers students to create their own pathways to success. They are committed to delivering high quality and balanced education within a breathtakingly beautiful setting. This year Queenstown Primary School received funding for the purchase of high visibility vests for an outdoor education program. These vests will be worn by the students on their respective outdoor education days throughout the year.	4,400.00

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Remarkable Theatre Inc	Remarkable Theatre Inc are a local non profit theatre group who produce three shows a year and offer training in drama for members. They have received funding to buy a mobile stage for future performances in Queenstown Gardens, Arrowtown hall, and other venues. They wish to promote community theatre and greater public access.	2,000.00
Remarkables Primary School	Remarkables Primary School's key focus is to equip and inspire all learners of life's opportunities within a global environment. They want students to have an environment where collaboration, communication, respect and reflection are key skills of learning. They have received funding to purchase 4 Ultimate Tool Chests for their kitchen/multi purpose room. As they hire out their hall and kitchen area to community groups, they are finding that items/resources within go missing, and this is not only costing money to replace items, but also when students need to use these they are not available. These chests are lockable, and will help prevent this from happening.	2,500.00
RockFormation	RockFormation encourage & support the formation of youth bands, grow musicianship, creativity, technical & performance skills, developing self-confidence, responsibility, leadership & team working skills to assist youth in making a positive contribution to the community. They provide performance opportunities in the local community preparing youth for the professional music industry. Funding will enable the Trust to purchase equipment.	1,998.00
Shotover Primary School	A new sports field in Lower Shotover is soon to be vested to the QLDC as part of the sub-division development. This will become the primary sports and recreation area for Shotover Primary in place of the current field on school grounds which is being replaced with class rooms to accommodate rapid growth. The new sports field has no facilities for storage and there is no clear indication of what will be built there or when this will be in place, early indications are anything from 2-5 years. They have received funding to place a shipping container at the grounds to store equipment in.	4,250.00
Snow Sports NZ	Snow Sports NZ aims to lead the growth and success of competitive snow sports in NZ. SSNZ is running a Festival at Remarkables Ski Area in August 2019. The festival is the combination of a 'Have a Go Day' and a fun introduction to competitive adaptive snow sports. The event encourages people with disabilities to come up to the snow and give skiing and snowboarding a try, as well as enables those with some experience chance to try out competitive racing. Snow Sports NZ will receive funding assistance to support the adaptive snow sports instructors that will be managing the many adaptive volunteers that make the event possible.	2,000.00
Southern Lakes Arts Festival - Festival of Colour	The Festival of Colour is run by the Southern Lakes Arts festival Trust, started in 2004 to bring top-quality arts to Wanaka. The festival is a diverse, world class arts and ideas event which serves the Southern Lakes community by entertaining and challenging our audiences, while celebrating the heritage and environment of our region. This will be the eighth biennial Festival of Colour event, and a program of top quality and diverse performances and talks, from ballet to electronic music, professional theatre to collaborative community works, politicians to musicians has been planned. They will receive funding assistance to assist with the cost of printing the 2019 programme brochure.	2,000.00
St John Wakatipu Area Committee	St. John's focus is to enhance the health and wellbeing for all New Zealanders .They provide emergency medical response throughout the Wakatipu region. St. John also run first aid courses, a Health Shuttle, Caring Caller, Youth programs and Friends of the Emergency Department. Their goal is to prevent and relieve sickness and injury, and to act to enhance the health and well-being of all people throughout New Zealand. St. John will receive funding to assist in the costs of running their Health Shuttle service for a year. The Health Shuttle runs to Invercargill Monday - Friday, transporting people to hospital and health-related appointments. The shuttle typically carries people who have no other means of transport to Invercargill. They are often the elderly, the infirm or tourists who do not have family here.	4,710.00
St. Josephs School	St. Josephs School is a full Primary Special Catholic Character School with students from new entrants to year 8. Their focus is to provide the best opportunities for students to leave the school well prepared for their ongoing learning throughout life. St. Josephs School will receive funding from the Trust to purchase 20 Chromebooks and suitable storage for these.	4,657.40

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The Challenge Wanaka Trust	The Challenge Wanaka Trust run a triathlon festival each year in Wanaka for 2500 - 3000 competitors. Over one third of competitors are from the region aged 5 to 80. The junior triathlon is expecting 1200 competitors and secondary schools 400 competitors. The trust will receive funding to assist in paying for the timing instruments used to time each competitor.	2,300.00
The Queenstown Associated Football Club Inc	QAFC aims to promote and teach amateur football as the means to both advance the education of the sport of football and also to benefit the community. QAFC is dependent on grants, fundraising, sponsorship and member subscriptions to pay for our various costs which are mainly coaching fees, football development, ground hire, affiliation fees, competition fees, player uniforms, equipment such as balls, goals, nets, specialised football equipment, and team travel. QAFC will receive funding to buy equipment.	2,605.20
The Queenstown JazzFest Trust	The Queenstown JazzFest Trust is a voluntary, non-profit organisation that coordinates the annual Jazz Festival. The Trust aims to entertain and inspire through live musical performance. Their objectives are to provide benefits for the cultural experience in the community. A key focus is on developing local youth performers. Funding has been granted in support of a free community stage on the Queenstown Village Green on Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st October. The community concerts have been an integral part of the Queenstown JazzFest in recent years and these public performances ensure the event remains accessible to a broad audience and engages people who might not have participated previously.	1,880.00
Wakatipu High School Foundation	The Wakatipu High School Foundation provides 10% of the funding for Queenstown's only high school. Formed in 2013, the Foundation has invested over \$750,000 in 2013-2017 and has targeted an additional funding of \$200,000 for 2018. This investment is critical to providing both students and teachers the tools necessary for a superior educational community in Queenstown. They will receive funding to contribute toward the cost of new Kapa Haka uniforms for Wakatipu High School that match the school colours and identity. With the groups regularly performing throughout the year and consistently presenting to an international audience, it is especially important to smartly and expertly present our culture.	3,000.00
Wakatipu High School Foundation - 'Best Served Chilled' Jazz Band	Funding will contribute to the costs of the school's jazz band annual trip to the Southern Jam Youth Jazz Festival in Blenheim. The Senior Jazz Band 'Best Served Chilled' has won the competition 7 times. The festival is an opportunity for schools to come together to learn and develop their musical skills, perform to live audiences and to compete in a quality musical competition. The purpose is to foster an attitude to music as an art form, to build self confidence in students through performance and to develop a strong cultural base within the school and the wider community.	1,732.00
Wakatipu Junior Golf Club Charitable Trust	WJGC will be delivering an in-school program aimed at introducing golf and the life skills associated with the game - respect, honesty, integrity and sportsmanship to primary school children (approx. 1800) in the Queenstown and Arrowtown area. Pupils will attend four sessions learning fundamental skills, and a core life value at each session. Those attending will include boys and girls ranging in age from 5 - 12 years of age.	2,111.80
Wakatipu Playcentre	Wakatipu Playcentre is a unique early education provider which is partly run and funded by parents. They believe that supported parents are the first and best educators for their young tamariki (children). Families attend from all areas of the wider Wakatipu including: Frankton, Quail Rise, Lake Hayes Estate, Shotover Country & Fernhill. The Playcentre's kitchen is a very popular role play activity for all ages and funding will go towards extending this to include a shop. The over 3's (approximate 15 children) can learn maths and language skills as they buy and sell food and groceries in this shop/market stall. Wakatipu Playcentre will also receive funding to purchase Māori dress-up items and puzzles, as well as korowai for those graduating from the Playcentre to school next year.	666.26
Wakatipu Potters Group	Wakatipu Potters Group provide a space for members of the community to be creative and artistic with clay. Paid membership is currently 40 people, but they provide an open night for members of the public to get involved every Wednesday night (run by volunteers) who teach the skills needed to work with clay. This year workshops for children were run in the autumn festival and they participated in Luma. Funding will be provided to assist in buying tools and materials to share pottery and clay with the wider community.	1,933.00

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Wakatipu Reforestation Trust	The Wakatipu Reforestation Trust provides free or low cost native plants for community planting on public land around the Wakatipu Basin to help restore our native biodiversity. The Trust also provides an educational facility to enable children, schools and adults to become familiar with native plants, their propagation and planting. The Trust has several flagship sites around the Wakatipu Basin where each spring and autumn volunteers plant out hardy native plants grown in the Trusts nursery. Several sites are now full and the Trust is looking for new sites and/or to expand already full sites. Funding will go toward expanding the site at Whitechapel Road.	3,000.00
Wakatipu Search & Rescue	Wakatipu Search and Rescue provide search and rescue expertise to the people of Wakatipu. They rescue, or retrieve the lost, injured, or missing and bring them home to their families. Wakatipu SAR will receive funding for eight sets of extreme weather clothing. Due to increasing need for rescue, and a larger ratio of women rescuers than most, Wakatipu SAR are in need of more equipment. Due to the extreme geographical terrain and climate Wakatipu SAR need to ensure that their people have the correct equipment.	4,400.00
Wakatipu Toy Library	The Wakatipu Toy Library's purpose is to extend basic physical, mental, sensory and perpetual skills of children by bringing an excellent quality selection of toys and equipment within reach of all children to help reach their full potential, all within a family friendly community hub. The Toy library will receive funding to expand their Cultural toys, Role Play and Imaginative Games and Toys. The transient community that Queenstown is experiencing will thrive with a sustainable waste free way of giving children the chance to learn through playing. As Queenstown is growing very rapidly, potentially 100 new families with these new toys.	1,911.95
TOTAL GRANTED		\$101,888.27





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