

Perpetual Guardian 2025 Application Schedule

Individuals

Funding available is indicative only and varies each year.
 This schedule is for the purpose of planning and subject to change. **There are likely to be multiple updates in early 2025. We recommend checking the schedule frequently.**
 Please check back regularly at <https://www.perpetualguardian.co.nz/philanthropy/grant-seekers/> for updates.
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Opening Month	Funding Round	Who can apply?	Applicable Region	Sector	Funding objectives	Grant value guide	Amount
Year Round	Brian Johns Fellowship Trust	Individuals	New Zealand	Education and Research (Medical)	Awards for New Zealanders to develop further knowledge and interest in the fields of ear nose and throat medicine and to develop and continue research in these fields within New Zealand or overseas.	Total funding available approx.	\$20,000 per annum
Year Round with two rounds in 2025 - closing 1 February and 1 July.	New Zealand Companion Animals Trust	Organisations & Individuals	New Zealand	Animal welfare	The Trust supports projects beneficial to the community, those that provide care and protection to companion animals and projects that directly improve companion animal welfare and urban animal management. For more information including the types of awards available, please visit the Companion Animals NZ Trust website (www.nzcat.org.nz). Closing dates are 1st Feb and 1st July annually.	Maximum per grant approx.	\$10,000
Year Round	Rose Hellaby Medical Scholarships and Grants	New Zealand registered medical practitioners and New Zealand organisations	New Zealand	Research and development	In the fields of rheumatic disease, physical medicine and manipulative treatment: Scholarships for registered medical practitioners for research and/or post-graduate training and experience overseas. Grants for New Zealand organisations to engage international or New Zealand medical practitioners to deliver lectures, conduct study courses and/or supervise training and/or research in within New Zealand. Applications are open year round but for the most part are considered by the Board of granting in May. If you wish to be considered in the funding round for the current year, please submit your application by 31st March. Please monitor carefully for changes as time-frames for applications may be amended.	Range from	\$10,000 - \$100,000
Year Round with applications reviewed March	Spencer Mason Post-Graduate Scholarship in New Zealand Law - Celebrating 60 year anniversary in 2025	Individuals	New Zealand (Auckland)	Education	Scholarship to support a candidate for a Masters degree or a PhD at the University of Auckland Law School. The degree being pursued must include a thesis on some aspect of New Zealand Law. Applicants must reside in the Auckland Branch Area of the New Zealand Law Society and be graduates in Law of the University of Auckland. Applications are reviewed 31 March.	Maximum per grant approx.	\$5,500
Year Round with applications reviewed March	Spencer Mason Travelling Scholarship in Law - Celebrating 60 year anniversary in 2025	Individuals	New Zealand (Auckland)	Education	Scholarship to support a candidate who wishes to pursue a Masters degree or a PhD at a university outside of New Zealand. Law Graduates living and working within the Auckland Branch Area of the New Zealand Law Society are invited to apply. (Graduates from all New Zealand Universities may apply). Applications are reviewed 31 March.	Range from	\$5,000 - \$15,000
Year Round	Ted & Mollie Carr Medical Travel Fund	Organisations & Individuals	New Zealand	Health (Medical Research and Education)	Facilitating international travel by medical practitioners for the purposes of research and education. This Fund's priority objective is to enable overseas based surgeons and medical practitioners with specialised skills to visit New Zealand for short periods to impart their skills and techniques to New Zealand medical practitioners. The Fund's secondary objective is to enable specialist New Zealand medical practitioners to travel internationally for short periods to work with other medical practitioners to improve their skills and techniques. Awards for this secondary purpose are infrequent and will only be considered if the proposal demonstrates a broad impact.	2024 grant average	\$16,600
Nov. Prior	Rose Hellaby Māori Education Fund - Secondary School Scholarships	Individuals of New Zealand Māori descent	New Zealand	Education	For Year 9 students of Māori descent undertaking secondary education in New Zealand who have demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude. More information will be available closer to when applications open. Applications are managed by the Māori Education Trust which can be visited at https://maorieducation.org.nz/	Maximum per grant approx.	\$750
Nov. Prior	Rose Hellaby Māori Education Fund - Tertiary Scholarships - Postgraduate Studies	Individuals of New Zealand Māori descent	New Zealand	Education	Scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate students of Māori descent undertaking tertiary studies. Priority may be given to STEM learning pathways. More information will be available closer to when applications open. Applications are managed by the Māori Education Trust which can be visited at https://maorieducation.org.nz/	Maximum per grant approx.	\$30,000
Nov. Prior	Rose Hellaby Māori Education Fund - Tertiary Scholarships - Undergraduate Studies	Individuals of New Zealand Māori descent	New Zealand	Education	Scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate students of Māori descent undertaking tertiary studies. Priority may be given to STEM learning pathways. More information will be available closer to when applications open. Applications are managed by the Māori Education Trust which can be visited at https://maorieducation.org.nz/	Maximum per grant approx.	\$1,000
Jan.	Alexander and Gladys Shepherd Scholarships Trust (Round 1)	Individuals	Taranaki	Education	For Taranaki students for the further continuation of tertiary education or training in the farming/agricultural sector. This round is for students up to the age of 21 already undertaking degrees or courses. Veterinary Science courses will not be considered for scholarship funding.	Range from	\$1,000 - \$5,000
Jan.	Gordon D & Mary R Vincent Scholarship	Present/former students of Christchurch Boys High School who are studying medicine at a New Zealand University.	To be confirmed	Education	Scholarship for former students of Christchurch Boys High School pursuing study at Medical School/University in New Zealand. Excludes Health Science qualifications.	Total funding available approx.	\$25,000
Jan.	Leonard Condell Farming Scholarship Trust (Farming Research Fund)	Individuals	New Zealand	Research	Scholarships for Massey University students who wants to or is undertaking research in the field of agriculture at postgraduate or PhD level. For more information and to apply, visit the Massey University Website.	Maximum per grant approx.	\$4,000
Feb.	Hicks Trust (Round 1)	Individuals	Waikato	Education	Fostering better understanding of the methods involved in the further development and improvement of systems of farming through scholarships for programmes at WINTEC. This round is open to students who are enrolled in a New Zealand Certificate in Animal Healthcare Assisting (Level 4) with strand in Rural Animal Healthcare in 2025.	2022 - 2024 grant range	\$1,000 - \$5,000

Feb.	Kathleen Spragg Agricultural Research Award	Organisations & Individuals. Non New Zealand Residents may apply but must be conducting research in New Zealand	New Zealand	Research and development	For Research and Development Awards, the outcome of which provide a demonstrable benefit to the pastoral industry of New Zealand. Funding is for purposes relating to travel for research and development in soils, plants and animals and related areas to the pastoral industry. Two types of applications are eligible: - From individuals (scientists, technicians, advisors, consultants and/or students holding relevant tertiary qualifications). Undergraduate applications will not be considered. - From New Zealand institutions and organisations. Applications must be for activities yet to take place. Applications from those that are not New Zealand permanent residents or citizens may be considered, providing the work is: - Taking place at an appropriate New Zealand institution - Has clear benefits for the New Zealand pastoral industry and/or a clear plan to remain in New Zealand as a means of benefiting the New Zealand pastoral industry.	Total funding available approx.	\$35,000
Feb.	Onuku Maori Lands Trust	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	For those studying full time or part time at a tertiary institute or university who are an owner or direct descendant of a current owner of the Onuku Maori Lands Trust or a beneficiary of a whanau trust.	Range from	\$250 - \$500
Feb.	Otama Marere Trust	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	For those studying full time at a tertiary institute or university who are an owner or direct descendant of a current owner of the Otama Marere Trust or a beneficiary of a whanau trust.	Range from	\$1,000 - \$3,000
Feb.	Robert C Bruce Charitable Trust	Charities & Individuals	New Zealand	Environment	For afforestation projects of public land. Two types of grants are available: - Project grants (for organisations) for afforestation projects on public land - Research grants (for individuals) for research directly related to forests and afforestation. Applications are open until sufficient applications well aligned to the funding objectives are received. For this reason, please submit your application as soon as possible.	2022 - 2024 grant average	\$3,500
Feb.	Whakapaupakihī 6 & 7 Trust	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	For those studying full time or part time at a tertiary institute or university who are an owner or direct descendant of a current owner of the Whakapaupakihī 6 & 7 Trust or a beneficiary of a whanau trust.	Range from	\$200 - \$400
Feb.	Yvonne & Dudley Lorimer Memorial Scholarship in Horticulture	Individuals	Waikato	Education	Scholarships for horticulture related tertiary endeavours at WINTEC. Students enrolled in the following courses in 2025 are eligible to apply: - New Zealand Diploma in Landscape (Level 5) with strand in Design (students will be from the July 2024 intake). - New Zealand Certificate in Arboriculture (Level 5) with strands in Supervisory Operations and Technical Operations.	Total funding available approx.	\$4,000
Mar.	Dietetics Association of NZ Scholarships - Activity and Nutrition Aotearoa (ANA) Scholarships	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Supporting postgraduate study in indigenous public health. The awards focus on mahi that will enhance Māori, Pacific, and other high priority communities in Aotearoa.	Total funding available approx.	\$5,000
Mar.	Dietetics Association of NZ Scholarships - Neige Todhunter Postgraduate Scholarships	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Supporting postgraduate study in nutrition and dietetics. The awards focus on mahi that will enhance Māori, Pacific, and other high priority communities in Aotearoa.	Total funding available approx.	\$5,000
Mar.	Dietetics Association of NZ Scholarships - NZDA Travel and Conference Scholarships (Education Trust Award)	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Supporting professional development or advancement in an area related to dietetics, including research. That may be via work or study, attendance at conferences, or related activities in New Zealand or overseas.	Total funding available approx.	\$1,500
Mar.	Stewart Family Charitable Trust	Charities & Individuals	Preference is shown to Southland based activities	Welfare, health, research	For charitable purposes to assist people in physical or financial need due to age, illness, congenital defect, accident or misfortune. Research into the causes of these outlined areas will also be considered. Preference is shown to requests for Southland based activities.	2022 - 2024 grant range	\$2,500 - \$50,000
Apr.	University of Auckland - School of Medicine Scholarships	Individuals	Auckland	Education	Scholarships for students studying at the University of Auckland School of Medicine. Priority will be given to applicants that illustrate financial/personal hardship and integrity.	Total funding available approx.	\$10,000
Apr.	University of Auckland - Students of English Scholarships	Individuals	Auckland	Education	Scholarships for students pursuing a relevant English qualification at the University of Auckland (Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts or higher qualifications) at the University of Auckland. Priority will be given to applicants that illustrate financial/personal hardship and integrity.	Total funding available approx.	\$6,000
May.	Olivia Spencer Bower Foundation - Art Award	Individuals	New Zealand	Arts / Culture / Heritage	A 12 month award to support an emerging New Zealand artist (specifically, a painter or sculptor) showing promise. Preference may be given to artists based in Canterbury or with an artistic connection to Canterbury.	Maximum per grant approx.	\$60,000
Jul.	Hicks Trust (Round 2)	Individuals	Waikato	Education	Fostering better understanding of the methods involved in the further development and improvement of systems of farming through Scholarships for programmes at WINTEC. This round is open to students who are enrolled in a New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture Services (Level 4) with strand in Arboriculture in 2025.	To be confirmed	-
Jul.	Vernon Willey Trust	Individuals	New Zealand	Research (sheep & wool industry)	To benefit the sheep & wool industry of New Zealand via research and study.	To be confirmed	-
Aug.	Jeanne Mary Webb Charitable Trust	Charities & Individuals	New Zealand	Religious Activities	For the activities of the First Church of Christ Science, Christchurch, The Patricia A Fleming Fund and education within the Christian Science Church	To be confirmed	-
Aug.	Legacy Performing Arts Trust Palmerston North: Representing the Evelyn Rawlins Arts Trust, Mavis & Beatrix Francis Arts Trust and Molly Atkinson Arts Trust	Charities & Individuals	Palmerston North	Arts / Culture / Heritage	For the benefit of individuals, groups and events pertaining to the performing arts within the City of Palmerston North.	To be confirmed	-
Aug.	New Zealand Nursing Fund	Divisions under Te Whatu Ora (former DHBs) / Health Foundations/Nurses	Wellington, Taranaki	Health	Scholarships to support nurses, particularly in the continuation of their training and learning. Preference will be given to nurses who are: - Based in Wellington Central Hospitals - particularly cardiac nurses advancing their expertise in cardiac nursing - Based in the Taranaki district or Taranaki Base Hospital, studying in any capacity.	To be confirmed	-
Aug.	Sinclair Cummings Trust Scholarships	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Postgraduate scholarships for veterinary (first priority area), agricultural or pastoral studies. Special consideration is given to endeavours aligned with high country sheep farming. For more information and to apply, visit the Massey University website.	To be confirmed	-
Sep.	Alexander and Gladys Shepherd Scholarships Trust (Round 2)	Individuals	Taranaki	Education	For Taranaki students to obtain further tertiary education or training which would be useful to them in the farming/agricultural sector. This round is for secondary school students up to the age of 21 years, intending to pursue their first year of education/training. Veterinary Science courses will not be considered for scholarship funding.	To be confirmed	-
Sep.	CHBC Fine Arts Scholarship (Jessie O'Marshall Arts Legacy)	Individuals	Central Hawke's Bay (Bay of Plenty)	Education	For pupils of either Central Hawke's Bay College pursuing a course of study in one or more of the arts at a recognised School of Art in New Zealand. Past pupils of colleges within the coastal Bay of Plenty area may also be considered.	To be confirmed	-

Sep.	Frank Sydenham Scholarships	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Scholarship(s) to enable students to undertake bachelor or post-graduate level studies in horticulture or agriculture or forestry (or related subjects). Preference will be shown to students from within the statutory boundary of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, or students from outside that region who intend to utilise the outcome of their studies in the Bay of Plenty region or neighbouring areas. Preference will be shown to students wishing to undertake post-graduate study.	2022 - 2024 grant range	\$3,000 - \$20,000
Sep.	John T Gibson Trust Scholarships	Individuals	Taranaki	Education	For Taranaki Secondary School students commencing a agricultural or veterinary science course at university. The current terms of the scholarship provide for reimbursement of all text book costs relating to the approved course.	To be confirmed	-
Sep.	NOW Trust Scholarships	Individuals (must be permanent residents of Niue)	Global (outcomes must impact Niue)	Education, conservation, environment	Scholarships for tertiary education that in time, will enable an individual to contribute to conservation, environmental resilience and sustainable development, and building local capacity for these focus areas for Niue. NOW Trust may show preference to applicants focusing on marine and terrestrial conservation. Preference will be shown to residents of Niue.	Maximum per grant approx.	\$30,000 per annum (one scholarship)
Sep.	Roy & Enid Nicol Charitable Trust	Charities & Individuals	Te Aroha	Various charitable purposes	For charitable purposes (including educational) within a ten mile (17 km) radius of Te Aroha Post Office.	To be confirmed	-
Sep.	Teviot Valley Education Trust	Individuals	Teviot Valley	Education	To enable further education for New Zealand residents within the Teviot Valley area (within 10 km either side of the bed on the Clutha River between Shingle Creek and Raes Junction, Central Otago)	To be confirmed	-
Oct.	Allan and Grace Kay Overseas Scholarship	Individuals	New Zealand	Research	To support the pursuit of a post graduate research course overseas in Agriculture or Veterinary Sciences	Range from	\$20,000 - \$40,000 per Scholarship
Oct.	Anstiss-Garland Charitable Trust Postgraduate Scholarship	Individuals	Wellington	Education	A postgraduate scholarship to support students studying social justice at Te Herenga Waka - Victoria University of Wellington. Students studying Criminology, Psychology, Sociology, Law and Restorative Justice are encouraged to apply. For more information and to apply before the closing date, please visit https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/scholarships/current/anstiss-garland-charitable-trust-postgraduate-scholarship	To be confirmed	-
Oct.	B K Otway Education Foundation - For Nursing Education	Individuals	New Zealand	Education	Annual educational scholarships for undergraduate, postgraduate and masters education, linked to nurse based learning.	To be confirmed	-
Oct.	Gordon D & Mary R Vincent Scholarship	Present/former students of Christchurch Boys High School who are studying medicine at a New Zealand University.	To be confirmed	Education	Scholarship for former students of Christchurch Boys High School pursuing study at Medical School/University in New Zealand. Excludes Health Science qualifications.	To be confirmed	-
Oct.	Grace Kay Scholarship	Individuals	Auckland	Education	Scholarship to support a female undertaking a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Auckland. Applicants must be between 16-25 years of age at the date the scholarship is awarded.	2022 - 2024 grant average	\$2,000 - \$4,000 per Scholarship
Oct.	Tui Flower Foundation	New Zealand Organisations and Individuals with New Zealand Residency or Citizenship	New Zealand	Various	Applications relating to home science, nutrition, household arts, family care & welfare. Two types of applications are available: 1. Grants for NZ organisations providing programmes that contribute positively to communities in one of the focus areas, or advance knowledge and understanding in one of the focus areas. 2. Scholarships for NZ Residents and Citizens to undertake a course of study or vocational training in priority areas of nutrition and dietetics, but may also include horticulture and agriculture studies.	To be confirmed	-
Oct.	William Chick Scholarship Trust	Individuals	New Zealand (and overseas)	Education	Scholarships to enable graduates of the Auckland University School of Architecture or other tertiary institutions located North of Huntly to undertake post-graduate architecture studies.	To be confirmed	-
Dec.	Rose Hellaby Māori Education Fund - Secondary School Scholarships	Individuals of New Zealand Māori descent	New Zealand	Education	For Year 9 students of Māori descent undertaking secondary education in New Zealand who have demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude. More information will be available closer to when applications open. Applications are managed by the Māori Education Trust which can be visited at https://maorieducation.org.nz/	To be confirmed	-
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Special Updates

Next Active	Funding Round	Who can apply?	Applicable Region	Sector	Funding objectives	Update
TBC	Kathleen Spragg Agricultural Research Fellowship	Individuals. Non New Zealand Residents may apply but must be conducting research in New Zealand	New Zealand	Research and development	<p>For Research and Development Fellowships, the outcome of which provide a demonstrable benefit to the pastoral industry of New Zealand.</p> <p>Eligibility requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants must have achieved a relevant Masters, PhD or Doctorate tertiary qualification, or have the equivalent career experience of research and development in soils, plants and animals and related areas to the pastoral industry. - The proposal must be for activities yet to take place (i.e. not for activities already carried out). - Applications from those that are not New Zealand permanent residents or citizens may be considered, providing they are carrying out the work at a recognised New Zealand institution and the work has clear benefits for the New Zealand pastoral industry and/or a clear plan to remain in New Zealand as a means of benefiting the New Zealand pastoral industry. 	The Trust will not be opening for applications in 2025.
TBC	Scientia Cinema Archive Fund	Charities & Individuals	New Zealand	Arts / Culture / Heritage	<p>The Trust considers applications that encourage the growth and use of the New Zealand Archive of Film, Television and Sound, Ngā Taonga Whitiāhua Me Ngā Taonga Kōrero. Grants are available for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adding to Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision material - improving the safety or cataloguing of Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision archives - assisting research into archived films, other films made in New Zealand or about New Zealand subjects. 	This Trust is now closed for funding applications. It is not likely to be open again in 2025.
Jan. (2029)	Scientia Trust - Planet Earth Fund	Organisations & Individuals	New Zealand	Environment	Considers applications that encourage the study of earthquakes, astronomical motions, internal structure of the Earth and of the history of those studies.	Next scheduled to open in 2029
TBC	Trimble Agricultural Research (Travel) Fellowship	Individuals	New Zealand	Research	For the purpose of supporting overseas travel for scientists in agricultural research. Emphasis is on research likely to produce results of a nature that will have a direct application to the agricultural industry of New Zealand.	To be confirmed if opening in 2025. Please check back again soon.