



Te Hiranga Rū QuakeCoRE 2020 Strategic Funding

Pandemic Support Grants

Scope:

Te Hiranga Rū QuakeCoRE recognises that the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic has had, and continues to have an impact on everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand. The impact of the pandemic and associated government measures to manage the risk, have been seen to have a disproportionate effect on some groups. An individual's ability to work through the lockdown period may have been impacted by childcare or whānau responsibilities, group living situations, poor internet or other personal circumstances.

Grants are available for researchers that have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to provide support for research-related costs. The aim of the grant is to allow researchers to regain momentum on their research activities, with funding to support activities such as research assistants, summer students, data collection or analysis as identified by the researcher. Pandemic Support Grants can be requested for between \$5,000 and \$15,000.

Requirements:

Applications should be submitted via a brief application form available [here](#).

Timelines:

1. Submission: Proposals will be accepted from 28 September – 9 October 2020.
2. Evaluation: Proposals will be evaluated and applicants notified by 30 October 2020
3. Commencement: 1 November 2020
4. Contract End: 31 March 2021

Evaluation criteria:

1. The researcher has been actively involved in QuakeCoRE to date (e.g. Flagship meetings, QuakeCoRE Annual Meeting)
2. The application demonstrates a specific need for support to regain momentum lost in their research activities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. The use of the requested funding is well articulated, specifically indicating: (i) how the funding will be used, and (ii) how that use will directly assist the researcher further their work
4. The need for this funding; specifically, QuakeCoRE has received a six-month extension for 1 January – 30 June 2021, which is supporting primary research programmes, such as the Flagship and Technology Platforms. Clarification should be provided, if relevant, to describe how this application is not already being supported through these primary QuakeCoRE programmes.

Contracting:

Funding will be contracted to the researcher and reimbursement will be made based on actual expenses up to the maximum amount specified in the contract. All costs should be submitted on a single invoice and be submitted to Te Hiranga Rū QuakeCoRE for payment on the 15 April 2021 for the entire project (1 November 2020 – 31 March 2021).

Reporting requirements:

To minimise the reporting burden, the researcher will be required to complete a brief final project report using a template provided by QuakeCoRE.