Application DI000452021_22 From Mr Laurence Zwimpfer

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Instructions

InternetNZ is proud to support your initiative. The questions below help us understand the triumphs and challenges you have faced to date.

We want to celebrate your successes and understand the obstacles you have encountered so far. This will help us all to learn what we could do better in the future.

This report form will be placed on our website for transparency.

Please complete and submit this form no later than the date stipulated in your funding agreement. Email us at funding@internetnz.net.nz if you have any issues or need to arrange an alternative due date. You may not be eligible to apply for further grants from InternetNZ if this is not submitted. The completion of this form should be overseen by someone with an intimate knowledge of the funded initiative.

Mid-project report

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Initiative title *

Digital Skills - Getting Ready for Work

Amount granted by InternetNZ? *

\$15,000.00

Must be a dollar amount.

Provide a short summary of the work that has been completed so far as part of this initiative. *

We have completed the first stage of the project, involving the development of a curriculum and delivery plan. We have developed this in consultation with partners in Whanganui and Katikati, both of which involved one-day planning sessions. We have commenced discussions with potential partners in three other geographic areas. Our goal for the pilot is to engage a total of 100 job-seekers from five regions.

When do you anticipate that your initiative will be completed? * 31/12/2023

Must be a date.

If you are uncertain, please provide an estimate.

Share your evaluation plan and any supporting documents you feel appropriate, that will help us to understand the progress you have made.

This may include survey results or feedback, your annual report, summary to the board or any visual or audio representations of your work.

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Filename: Work-Ready Digital Skills v4.pdf

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Filename: Evaluation Framework Digital Skills for Work.pdf

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Provide additional details:

Let us know if anything you have shared is confidential or can be used to promote this work. Remember this report will be placed on our website for transparency unless otherwise requested.

What have you learnt so far? *

Our original proposal was to develop a digital 'add-on curriculum' for the Chambers of Commerce Work-Ready Passport programme. However during our initial consultations in Whanganui, we discovered that some regions are no longer using this programme and as a result we have diversified our approach to connect with a broader range of communities. For example, in Katikati, we are partnering the Katikati Community Centre to build on their existing Poutama-Pathways for Rangatahi NEETs. In Auckland, we are discussing a partnership with Mana Digital in the delivery of their KiaKaha Digital Workforce programme with the Department of Corrections. We have also received and expression of interest from some of our Stepping UP delivery partners who are keen to expand the range of digital skills programmes for their communities and from Workbridge, who help people with disabilities get access to work.

Describe what is working well so far or challenges you have faced. These insights may help others.

What (if anything) have you changed in your approach or practices? Explain why this was necessary?

Our project relies on securing the support of organisations already providing work-ready skills training; we had expected to be able to offer some funding for tutors to deliver the digital skills modules as these would be additional to existing funded programmes. However, with the reduced budget, this element has been cut from the programme, which means we are having to work harder to persuade partners that there is sufficient value in the programme that they can integrate their delivery costs into existing initiatives.

Describe any changes from the original proposal and the rationale for those changes.

Which population group/s were affected by this project or program? *

Age groups > Adults (people aged 18+) > People aged 18-25 Education status > Adult and Community Education (ACE) students Work status and occupations > Unemployed people

Please choose only the group/s that were at the very core of this initiative.

Financial report

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Project income and expenditure

Please provide details of any project income (funds received) and project expenditure (funds spent) to date.

Use the 'Notes' column to provide any additional information you think we should be aware of.

Income description	Income type	Confirmed funding?	Income amount Notes (\$)
			Must be a dollar amount.
InternetNZ Grant	Philanthropic grants	Confirmed *	\$15,000.00
Community Lot- tery	Philanthropic grants	Confirmed	\$20,000.00
			\$

Expenditure

Expenditure description	Expenditure type	Expenditure amount (\$)	Notes
Personnel	Salaries and wages	\$1,300.00	
Marketing	Advertising and promotion	\$160.00	
Travel	Administrative and infrastructure	\$860.00	
		\$	

Income and expenditure totals

Total income amount	Total expenditure amount	Income - expenditure
\$35,000.00	\$2,320.00	\$32,680.00
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Have you experienced any issues with your intended project budget to date? If so, please explain reasons for any major variances or for providing incomplete information:

As explained above, the reduced funding available for this project has resulted in the need to rely on partners for tutor funding.

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Estimate in minutes (i.e. 1 hour = 60 minutes)

Feedback

You are almost at the end of our midterm reporting process. Before submitting your midterm report, please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please indicate how you found the acquittal process: ● Very easy ○ Easy ○ Neutral ○ Difficult ○ Very Difficult 				
How many r	ninutes	in total dic	d it take yo	u to complete this form?

Provide us with any feedback you have from learning about evaluation so far.

We are expecting the first participants to engage in the programme early in 2023; our evaluation will commence then. In the meantime, because our scope has widened to include other work-ready training initiatives, our Key Evaluation Question 2 will be expanded beyond the Work-Ready Passport.

For example, feedback on the evaluation toolkit, or the impact evaluation planning had on this initiative or your organisation.

Provide us with your feedback about any improvements to this grant process that we might consider.

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○ Yes please	No thanks	I am already a member