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Thank you for your email on 22 August 2024 to the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*"We would like to make an official information request for all grants and funds which are either current open or are planned to open in the next two years. This includes grants and funding available to any organisations, business, and councils. This includes all grants and funding which are administered, delivered or funded by the Ministry for the Environment. The reason we are requesting this is that we are putting together a database of funding opportunities that we can refer to as a council and also pass on to our community."*

Information regarding the grants and funds administered, delivered or funded by the Ministry are available on our website, here: [environment.govt.nz/what-you-can-do/funding/](http://environment.govt.nz/what-you-can-do/funding/). Therefore, we are refusing your request under section 18(d) as the information that you have requested is publicly available.

We currently do not have any grants or funds that are open, but the Waste Minimisation Fund and the Contaminated Sites and Vulnerable Landfills Fund are planned to open in October 2024. We have included you in our email list, so you will be updated when any further information becomes available.

There are however several subscription-based grant aggregator organisations that provide up-to-date information on funding opportunities that may be worth exploring. These include Strategic Grants (<http://www.gemlocal.co.nz/>), and Generosity NZ (<https://www.generosity.org.nz/>).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz).

Nāku noa, nā,

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