The Moderator's Grant

(courtesy of PSDS)

Four grants of \$500 are available to seed parish projects that are **Christ-centred and** community-facing

These gifts will be given to help parishes create legends about their churches that reflect their passion for and engagement with the well-being of their local communities.

Criteria

The project will

- Bring "shalom" to the community, not just to the parish
- Target those outside the church community (but the project is wider than a tool for evangelism)
- Intentionally raise the profile of the parish in the community as Christ-centred
- Work in partnership with other shalom-bringers in the community, recognising that Christ is working "out there" as well as "in" our churches
- Hold expectation of relationship/continuing connection with partners and with those targeted
- Empower the more marginalised in our society
- Intentionally strengthen the community-facing attitude of the parish
- Involve a significant proportion of parish people in "outreach" service.

Applications

Write to the Moderator (<u>tanks@paradise.net.nz</u>), or 51 Roy St, Palmerston North, by 20 June 2008, telling your story in terms of these indicators. Please note the grant will not be for well-established projects but for new initiatives or those in their early stages. Preference will be given to those without access to other resources.