EVENT DEVELOPMENT FUND REQUEST





Wellington Fashion Week 2014
9 – 13 April 2014
Shed 6 and Waterfront Buildings (Shed 11, Shed 13 and Te Wharewaka)
Wellington Fashion Week Limited
Cameron Seddon and Craig Mills, Directors P.O.Box 38-338 Wellington Mail Centre LOWER HUTT
Event Partner Sponsorship Funding of \$125,000 + GST
Based on the proposal received, the event has been assessed against the key criteria's of the Events Development Fund: Uniqueness to Wellington
WCC supported the inaugural Wellington Fashion Week in April 2012, with an \$8000 grant through the EDF. The organisers successfully built on this and the 2013 event and added a supplementary "Fashion in The Capital' event in September this year that provided the resources and ability for businesses in the fashion industry and wider sector to expand their productivity through trade, media and brand exposure. A total of \$20,000 EDF funding was provided in 2013 (Fashion Week - \$15,000 and Fashion in the Capital \$5,000) The organisers by combining both events in 2014 propose to strengthen the events link to the CBD along with relevant retail and hospitality sectors. Fashion Week 2014 will be in two parts – Trade Week incorporating six showcases for buyers and industry spectators -this is in association with NZ Apparel Magazine.

The second part will feature the designer showcases of which there will be eight - notably Wellington Fashion Week is the only show in New Zealand where the general public can have direct access to a runway experience. Fashion Week will be supported with health and beauty seminars and organisers have enlisted support of hospitality venues on the waterfront. Proposed business alignments for Fashion Week 2014 Wellington Wedding Show New Zealand Apparel Magazine New Zealand Light Leathers Ltd New Zealand Fashion Tech (Fashion Technology School) Massey University (Design School) Fashion Week has also secured the involvement of Fashion TV for the first time in New Zealand. As the network leader in fashion and lifestyle content Fashion TV broadcasts to 400 million households across 193 countries and has extensive social media presence. Estimated attendees and participants of Wellington Fashion Week for 2014 Audience size/demographics and number of participants: 9,000+ unique individuals attending 25+ events 232 registered delegates 200 support crew 80 Volunteers 40 Event Partners In 2013 24% of attendees were from out of Wellington - Auckland and Canterbury making up majority of the outside ticket sales. Of the delegates that attended the events 63% of registered delegates were from outside the Region. (source Dash Tickets) *24% (2160 attendees) + 37% (85 delegates) = 2245 OOR x \$125/day av x 4 days = \$1.1m economic impact. Total Income \$330,000 Event Budget/Project Plan: Ticket sales \$77,000 Sponsorship (non WCC) \$147,500 Value In Kind \$55,550 Total Expenses \$411,000 Deficit (\$81,000) Recommendation and other That the Events Assessment Committee approves a sponsorship of \$65,000 comments: for the 2013 event which is made up of \$50,000 cash grant, and \$15,000 towards "Out of Region" marketing/city package costs directed and managed by PWT

Attachments: Wellington Fashion Week Sponsorship Proposal