



Shimshal Trust Newsletter

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Dear friends and supporters

The time for us to consider scholarship applications and to award them has come round again.

This year we are quite short of funds, despite the continued generosity of automatic payments from some families and individuals and large one off donations from others. This is because we were again turned down by WOMAD for a stall, and a couple of Trust members have been busy setting up new lives in the provinces, after moving from Wellington, and have been unable to devote as much time as usual to Trust fund-raising.

We are therefore appealing for additional funds to help out with this year's scholarship round. We are convinced that our scholarships are well deserved and carefully used. We know that families receiving scholarships are often subsistence families with little or no cash income.

We check each applicant with our friends in Shimshal to ensure they are bona fide students and definitely from Shimshal. We also cross-check with other scholarship givers so that we do not duplicate funding. We insist on documentary evidence that the student is enrolled in a course, and we ask for and receive recent grades from each applicant. For these reasons we believe the scholarships are worth your support.

If you are able to help us with scholarship funding, these are the costs to which you could contribute. Any amount will be helpful.

- One scholarship - \$600 (though this needs to rise as soon as we can manage it)
- Bank charges for each transfer of funds - \$20 (though we have tried our best to get them reduced.)

Please use the information below to help out if you can.

Pam Henson, Secretary, the Shimshal Trust

Automatic payments and one off donations can be made to the Trust to help us keep the scholarships programme going. SHIMSHAL TRUST Account number: 38-9001-0596230-01. Please include your name as a reference and email us so we can send a receipt.