



10 June 2022

Tēnā koe

On 12 May 2022, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- *Please provide details of the number of Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants, the number of Special Needs Grants and the number of any other Grants paid by the Ministry of Social Development to GN Holdings and GN Holdings Ltd for the period 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2022 broken down by quarters*
- *Please also provide details of each property for which each of the grants were paid and the amounts paid for each property for each quarter.*

Please find **Table One** within the Excel spreadsheet enclosed, which details the hardship grants paid to GN Holdings Ltd and GN Holdings Limited between 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2022. The data is broken down by registered property name, quarter ending, and whether the grant is an Emergency Housing Special Needs Grant (EHSNG) or other type of grant. Both the number of grants and total amount granted have been provided for both grant categories, as well as their totals.

Please note that the data has been broken down into two grant types rather than three. In order to protect confidentiality, the Ministry uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data. Cells with values less than 6 are suppressed and replaced with an 'S' on any data provided. In this specific case, breaking down 'Other' into 'Special Needs Grants' and 'Other Grants' would result in all data entries appearing as a 0 or an 'S' due to their small numbers.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,

- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui



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