



15 May 2023

Tēnā koe

On 17 April 2023, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- 1. 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 ("MSD") to the owner and/or operator of the following properties for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, broken down by quarter.*

*Please also provide details of the amounts paid by way of each type of Grant in relation to each property for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, broken down by quarter. Please advise if the stated amounts paid in each case include or exclude G.S.T.*

*Walmsley Lodge Motel, 24 Walmsley Rd, Mangere, Auckland  
Monument Motor Lodge, 286 Great South Rd, Papakura, Auckland  
Dash Motel, 343 Great South Rd, Papakura, Auckland  
East Motel, 343 Great South Rd, Papakura, Auckland  
Harrison Motel, 473 Great South Rd, Papatoetoe, Auckland  
Make My Trip Motel, 28 Great South Rd, Papakura, Auckland  
Sush Motel, 233 Great South Rd, Manurewa, Auckland  
Krishna Motel, 30 Great South Rd, Papakura, Auckland*

- 2. Please provide details of the number and amounts of any other payments made by MSD to any of the following persons and/or entities, as well as any other entities associated with these persons, for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, broken down by quarter:*

*Annie Enterprises Limited  
GH Holdings Limited  
Rajesh Kumar Sachdeva  
Ripul Sachdeva  
Sunita Sachdeva  
BK Group  
BKGroup17*

*Sush Enterprises Ltd  
Sushriya Sachdeva  
Balraj Kumar Krishna*

Please find attached **Appendix One** containing **Table One** showing the number of hardship grants and the amount granted to selected suppliers for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, broken down by quarter.

Please note that not all the suppliers specified in your request received hardship grants in the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, therefore these suppliers do not appear in this report.

Regarding the second part of your request relating to the benefit information for specific individuals, this information is refused under section 9 (2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs any public interest in this information.

I note previous correspondence about the volume of these requests, and I acknowledge you continue to be interested in this subject. I would like to invite you to consider whether requesting data on a six-monthly basis (instead of quarterly) would be an option, as this would be of assistance to the Ministry from an administrative perspective. We will continue to consider your requests in either event.

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](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response about Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants (EH SNGs) paid to suppliers in Auckland, 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui



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## Appendix One

**Table One: The number of hardship grants and the amount granted to selected suppliers for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023, broken down by quarter.**

Quarter Ending / MSD Supplier Name		ADV		SNG		TOTAL	
		Grants	Amount Granted	Grants	Amount Granted	Grants	Amount Granted
December 2022	DASH MOTEL	0	\$0	60	\$137,376.00	60	\$137,376.00
	HARRISON MOTEL	0	\$0	21	\$46,550.00	21	\$46,550.00
	MAKEMYTRIP MOTEL	0	\$0	57	\$177,950.00	57	\$177,950.00
	MONUMENT MOTOR LODGE	0	\$0	87	\$210,425.00	87	\$210,425.00
	WALMSLEY LODGE MOTEL	S	\$200.00	54	\$147,484.34	54	\$147,684.34
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>\$719,785.34</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>\$719,985.34</b>
March 2023	DASH MOTEL	0	\$0	120	\$248,985.00	120	\$248,985.00
	HARRISON MOTEL	0	\$0	42	\$83,480.00	42	\$83,480.00
	MAKEMYTRIP MOTEL	0	\$0	42	\$115,900.00	42	\$115,900.00
	MONUMENT MOTOR LODGE	0	\$0	87	\$197,895.00	87	\$197,895.00
	SUSH MOTEL	0	\$0	6	\$27,650.00	6	\$27,650.00
	WALMSLEY LODGE MOTEL	0	\$0	69	\$166,000.00	69	\$166,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>\$839,910.00</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>\$839,910.00</b>

### Notes:

- ADV is Advance. SNG is Special Needs Grant.
- The number of hardship grants is not the number of clients. A client can receive more than one grant per quarter.
- Amount granted may not be the same as the amount spent.
- Requested suppliers that did not receive a grant in the period do not appear in this report.
- To protect confidentiality, the Ministry uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from the published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.
- In certain circumstances, low numbers may potentially lead to individuals being identified. Due to privacy concerns, numbers for some categories of clients were suppressed and replaced by an 'S'.