

18 October 2023

Tēnā koe

On the 23 September 2023, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

"I am requesting the amount of monies received by Ritz Enterprises Ltd trading as Takapuna motor Lodge and Ritz residences for emergency housing special needs grants for the period of 1 September 2023 to 30 September 2023.

I am also requesting the amount of monies received by Bridgewater Hospitality Ltd trading as the DuPont executive motels and DuPont motel in lower Hutt for emergency housing special needs grants for the period of 1 September 2023 to 30 September 2023."

Please see the following table in response to your request:

Table One: Amounts of Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants paidto Bridgewater Hospitality Ltd and Ritz Enterprises Ltd from 1September 2023 to 30 September 2023.

Month and Supplier Name		Amount granted
September 2023	Takapuna Motor Lodge	\$50,588.00
	Dupont Motels	\$221,824.00

Notes:

- Bridgewater Hospitality Limited is trading as Dupont Motels.
- Ritz Enterprises Limited is trading as Takapuna Motor Lodge.
- This is the amount granted.
- The total amount granted may not be the same as the amount spent.

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 <u>OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz</u>.

If you are not satisfied with this response regarding Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants paid to Bridgewater Hospitality Ltd and Ritz Enterprises Ltd, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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