

## MARION CUNNINGHAM MEMORIAL FUND

**Marion Cunningham provided a bequest to the Wildlife Society of the NZVA with the wish that it be used to promote work on the preservation of endangered species of wildlife.**

A total of \$2,500 is available for 2024 applications.

The successful recipient will also receive registration to the annual NZVA Wildlife Conference, provided they make a presentation on their use of the fund.

### Grant criteria

- The project must be compatible with one or more of the Wildlife Society's major objectives, which are:
  - to enhance veterinary contributions to the welfare and management of New Zealand's wildlife and to support research in this field
  - to promote communication among both veterinarians and non-veterinarians with expertise in wildlife management and research
  - to provide the NZVA with technical and other information on wildlife
  - to encourage conservation, especially by veterinary contributions to the management of threatened species.
- The project must be practicable and relevant to current wildlife concerns.
- The information provided must indicate that the applicant will be able to carry out the work competently and satisfactorily document the results.
- Applications must be approved by the supervisor of the project, who will be responsible for ensuring that the conditions of the grant are met.
- It is the responsibility of grant-holders to ensure they have the appropriate permits approved by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Conservation and relevant Animal Ethics Committees.
- All grant monies must be spent within New Zealand, even if the study has an overseas component.
- Each grant is given for a one-year period and cannot be carried forward.
- If the grant is not able to be spent on the approved project, the Wildlife Society must be notified as soon as possible, and unspent funds returned.
- The recipient must submit a project summary and financial accounting on the use of the funds within 12 months of receiving the grant.
- The recipient must submit a report suitable for publication in *Kokako* (the official newsletter of the NZVA Wildlife Society) within 15 months of receiving the grant.
- The recipient will receive a complimentary three-day registration to the NZVA Wildlife Conference (excluding workshops and field trips), provided the recipient provides a presentation on their use of the fund.
- The Wildlife Society would like the recipient to publish their findings in a scientific journal, if possible. All publications arising from the project should acknowledge the Marion Cunningham Memorial Fund.



## MARION CUNNINGHAM MEMORIAL FUND APPLICATION FORM

Please refer to the application criteria sheet for more information

Applications open on 1 September 2024 and close on 31 October 2024.

Applications must be typed.

Please email your application to the Wildlife Society Committee ([wildlife@vets.org.nz](mailto:wildlife@vets.org.nz)) with the subject line 'Marion Cunningham Memorial Fund Application 2024'.

<b>Student name</b>	
<b>ID number</b>	
<b>Institution/Organisation</b>	
<b>Degree enrolled</b>	
<b>Email address</b>	
<b>Supervisor</b>	
<b>Supervisor's email address</b>	
<b>Title of research project</b>	
<b>Brief outline of research project including scientific content (<i>attach maximum of one page</i>)</b>	
<b>Budget details</b>	
<b>Amount requested</b>	\$
<b>Other sources of funding</b>	
<b>Applicant's signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	
<b>Supervisor's signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	