



28 April 2022

Tēnā koe

On 1 April 2022, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- *The figure of the amount granted in Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants paid to Ritz Enterprises Limited of \$1,067,095.00 for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 November 2021 be broken down into quarters. Quarters ending in December, March, June and September for each year in my request from 1 July 2019 to 30 November 2021.*

Please find below **Table One** which contains the amount granted in Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants to Ritz Enterprises Limited during the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2022, organised by Quarter.

**Table One: Number of Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants (EHSNGs) to the company Ritz Enterprises Limited during the period 01 July 2019 to 31 March 2022**

<b>Quarter</b>	<b>Number of grants</b>	<b>Amount granted</b>
<b>September 2019</b>	39	\$63,129.00
<b>December 2019</b>	51	\$75,578.00
<b>March 2020</b>	24	\$42,352.00
<b>June 2020</b>	54	\$145,083.00
<b>September 2020</b>	54	\$96,626.00
<b>December 2020</b>	39	\$107,805.00
<b>March 2021</b>	42	\$120,060.00
<b>June 2021</b>	45	\$94,610.00
<b>September 2021</b>	36	\$102,003.00
<b>December 2021</b>	117	\$319,905.00
<b>March 2022</b>	129	\$266,931.00

**Notes for Table One:**

- The number of grants is not the number of clients.
- A client may have more than one grant during the reported period.
- This is the amount granted.
- The total amount granted may not be the same as the amount spent.
- To protect confidentiality, the Ministry uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- A value of one or two may be rounded to zero or three.
- 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.

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 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, 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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