# Auckland GWN sponsorship of Auckland Women in Public Summit (WiPS) tickets

In 2019 Te Aka Wāhine o Tāmaki Auckland GWN held a successful fundraising event. Some of the funds raised have gone towards event costs in 2020. However, the remainder has been used to purchase three tickets to the Women in Public Service Summit in Auckland on 17 June 2021. Auckland GWN would like to support people who would normally not be able to attend an event like this one.

We welcome your application to attend, please read the selection criteria below.

* Not previously attended WiPS (includes Wellington and Virtual Summit 2020)
* Newer to public sector (5 year or less)
* Attendance will form part of your career development plan
* You have a plan to share what you learn with others
* You a resident of Auckland
* Diverse members of the public sector are strongly encouraged to apply

Your short application will outline your thinking on how this opportunity will benefit you, as well as contribute to your team or network.

Please answer the four questions attached by COB **28th May 2021**.

Your application will be assessed the following week and you should have a final decision by 4 June 2021.

If successful, we will ask you to share your insights from the summit and how you plan to apply them at work. We will use these stories for our newsletter and other channels.

It may be good to have a placeholder for the 17 June, should you be one of the five successful applicants.

You will need agreement from your manager before applying for this grant.

Please send your completed form or any questions you might have to Virginia Fordham, AGWN Coordinator [agwn@gwn.govt.nz](mailto:agwn@gwn.govt.nz)

# Application Questions & Answers

1. **Why do I need my manager’s approval if the ticket is paid for?**

To make sure your manager can make plans to cover your work when you are away, and to make sure the benefits of attending the summit are part of your overall development plan.

1. **Is the opportunity restricted to women?**

No, the grant is open to anyone who believes they meet the selection criteria.

1. **Can I apply even though I am not based in Auckland?**

No, this opportunity is being offered by Auckland Government Women’s Network. You may be eligible for a grant to attend the Southern Summit later this year. Keep an eye on GWN’s newsletters to learn more.

1. **What do you mean by diverse?**

Dimensions of diversity can include gender, ethnicity, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion etc.

# Application for sponsored ticket

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| Name: |  |
| Current Position: |  |
| Agency: |  |
| City: |  |
| Manager's support and approval to proceed Yes, I confirm I have discussed this opportunity with my manager and have their support and approval to attend the summit. | |

### Please complete the following questions:

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| Please write a bit about yourself and why you feel you are a suitable candidate for this opportunity? |
| How do you think attending the summit will help you in your role and/or advance your career? |
| How do you plan to bring the insights from the summit back into your day-to-day work? |
| How would you share what you’ve learned with others (eg this could be your team, an employee-led network, management group, on intranet) |

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| *Signed:* | *Date:* |