



DO YOUR THING!

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THING!
FOR
**TALENTED
PASSIONATE
KIWIS**

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AMP allows Kiwis to turn their dreams into reality with 'Do Your Thing' scholarships

Kiwis are a pretty hard-working and determined bunch – take Sir Edmund Hillary, Richie McCaw and Helen Clark, for instance - then of course there's the thousands of New Zealanders who are out there, achieving great things every day. Launching its 'Do Your Thing' Scholarships, AMP is looking for talented, passionate and determined Kiwis who are ready to do their thing and own their tomorrow, by applying for an AMP Scholarship.

Whether it's a community project, a business idea, education or a dream to represent New Zealand at the highest level – AMP is looking for inspirational people from all walks of life to apply.

Applications to the AMP 'Do Your Thing' Scholarships open on 21 July and close on 16 September 2014. Almost anyone is eligible, as there's no age limit restrictions.

Jeff Ruscoe, Chief Customer Officer, at AMP says: "Since 1998, AMP has dedicated almost \$2 million towards helping more than 150 Kiwis do their thing. This year's prize pool of \$200,000 is the largest scholarship fund of its kind in New Zealand."

"Our aim is to inspire people to take control of their future and own their tomorrow – encouraging them to take steps towards their dreams or goals."

"Whatever your thing is, or where you're at with it, AMP and our 'Do Your Thing' Scholarships not only provide you the financial resource you need to get things under way, but our dedicated teams offer inspiration, support tools and information to help you go on to achieve them."

So, if you've ever wondered 'what if...' or know of someone who has the potential to do something amazing with a dream of theirs, now's the time to go on and 'Do Your Thing' with AMP.

Applications for the 2014 AMP 'Do Your Thing' Scholarships open from 21 July to 16 September 2014 – make sure you apply! For more information, including application tips, previous scholarship recipients and to apply online, head to www.doyourthing.co.nz

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Notes to Editor:

About AMP:

- AMP is a leading wealth management and insurance provider in the New Zealand marketplace and has been supporting the financial welfare of customers for 160 years
- Our customers hold more than 870,000 investment, savings and insurance products
- AMP has one of the largest networks of advisers in New Zealand
- AMP is the only default KiwiSaver provider with both a 'silver' rating from Morningstar and a 5 Star Canstar Award
- AMP has more than 258,000 KiwiSaver Scheme members and more than \$3 billion funds under management, equating to around 16% market share
- We've awarded more than \$1.8 million in the last 16 years through our AMP Foundation
- In 2013 we:
 - helped more than 1,800 kiwis buy their first home through KiwiSaver
 - paid out \$46.75 million in general insurance claims
 - supported approximately 73,000 New Zealanders who were unable to work because of an injury or illness by paying out nearly \$9 million in income protection insurance
 - wrote \$644 million in new mortgages, and
 - provided advice over the phone to more than 150,000 New Zealanders – more than 400 people per day.

About 'Do Your Thing':

- AMP 'Do Your Thing' applications are open from 21 July 2014 until 16 September 2014.
- Applications for AMP 'Do Your Thing' Scholarships must be made through the online Application Form located at www.doyourthing.co.nz.
- In order to be eligible for AMP Scholarships you must be an individual (not a group). You must also be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident and you must not have been ordinarily residing outside of New Zealand for more than five years as at the date of your Application.
- If you are under 18 years of age you must have the consent of your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) to apply.
- You are not eligible to apply for any AMP Scholarship if you have previously won an AMP Scholarship of any kind before.
- In total, there are 11 National Scholarships available – each consists of one payment of up to a maximum of amount of \$10,000.
- Full terms & conditions can be found on www.doyourthing.co.nz