

Guidelines for Application for the Rewi Alley Friendship and Exchange Fund (RAFE Fund)

The RAFE Fund began in 2012 to mark the 60th Anniversary of the founding the New Zealand China Friendship Society Inc, and to reflect the spirit of Rewi Alley in promoting friendly exchange between China and New Zealand.

According to the Memorandum of Understanding for the RAFE fund a sum of 200,000 rmb (or approximately \$NZ 38, 000) will be provided by the China Friendship Foundation for Peace and Development and the China Friendship Foundation for Peace and Development.

All funds will be used for consolidating and deepening friendship between the peoples of China and New Zealand, and pushing forward bilateral friendly exchanges and cooperation, along with supporting the following types of projects:

- i. Projects commemorating the legacy of Rewi Alley
- ii. Other projects in terms of cultural and art exchange, educational exchange and youth exchange which aim to promote China-New Zealand friendship
- iii. Friendly exchange projects agreed by all parties

The process is that the RAFE sub-committee looks at the applications and makes recommendations to National Executive. NZCFS then sends the recommended project information to Youxie who have the final decision on which to fund.

The timing for 2014 applications is as follows.

- Concept Plan: 3 April 2014
- Response to Concept Plan by the RAFE committee (2 weeks): 20 April
- Applicants invited to submit a full application (given 6 weeks):
- Application deadline: 1 June
- Nat Exec Meeting: mid-July
- Report to Youxie: 31 July
- Implementation: October/November 2014 to July 31 2015 (flexible)
- Reporting on previous year's projects: 30 June

Please note that projects must be completed 18 months after being approved.

If you would like some feedback on your proposal please send a concept plan to Heiko Lade, secretary@nzcfs.org.nz at any time before 3 April.

Please use the RAFE Fund Project Application Form to apply, and email to Heiko Lade, secretary@nzcfs.org.nz by 1 June.