



Program Overview

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The *Support4Sport* program, funded by the Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation (NSGC), is projected to provide approximately \$2.8 million annually for sport in Nova Scotia.

The *Support4Sport* funding programs have been designed by Sport Nova Scotia (SNS), the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic (CSCA), and Nova Scotia Health Promotion and Protection (NSHPP), with input and feedback provided by Provincial Sport Organizations.

***Support4Sport* Funding Guidelines**

The *Support4Sport* funding through the Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation (NSGC) will follow these guidelines for allocations:

- \$885,000 will be directed towards participation programming
- \$596,100 will be directed towards coaching/officials development
- \$290,000 will be directed to athlete assistance
- \$530,000 will be directed towards Canada Games programming
- \$129,000 will be directed towards high-performance programming

Within each of these identified areas, there will be guidelines around amounts to be allocated for specific targeted programs. If all of the targeted allocated funds are not spent on a specific program, the committees will have the ability to designate the funding to another program.

- ❖ Please note administrative and program support costs have been deducted from *Support4Sport* funding cited in this document.
- ❖ It is the intent of the *Support4Sport* program that any application for funding will only be considered for one funding program.

Funding Programs Outline

1. Participation

A. Program area: Community Sport Development

This is one-time funding available to Community Sport Organizations for one-year pilot projects to increase their number of participants.

Funding amount: \$40,000

Allocation process:

Applications will be those used by the Nova Scotia Amateur Sport Fund, and decisions will be made by the Nova Scotia Amateur Sport Fund committee. Allocations will occur twice a year.

Application timeline:

Application deadlines are September 1st and March 1st annually.

Reporting timeline:

All reports are due by March 1st each year.

Any organization receiving funding that does not submit a final report will be ineligible to receive funding from *Support4Sport* programs until a report is received.

B. Program area: PSO projects

This is funding that will be available to active and associate members of Sport Nova Scotia for organizational initiatives to increase participation and support coach and officials development.

Funding amount: \$350,000

Allocation process:

Organizations apply twice annually. A *Support4Sport* review committee with representation from SNS, CSCA, NSHPP, and one regional representative from the sport community will make decisions regarding allocations.

Application timeline:

Deadlines for applications are January 1st, April 1st, July 1st and October 1st each year.

Reporting Timeline:

Projects funded in the April allocation have a reporting deadline of March 15th. Projects funded in the October allocation have a reporting deadline of September 15th.

Any organization receiving funding that does not submit an annual report will be ineligible to receive funding from *Support4Sport* programs until the report is submitted.

C. Program area: Participation development support

This is funding for PSOs to support their participation development programs. PSOs receiving block funding will be eligible for the minimum funding. Funding will be given out on a four-year cycle in conjunction with block funding. Funding will be allocated at six levels:

- a. \$30,000
- b. \$20,000
- c. \$15,000
- d. \$10,000
- e. \$5,000
- f. \$2,000

Funding amount: \$495,000

Allocation process:

Allocations will occur in conjunction with block funding. Decisions on allocations will be made by a *Support4Sport* review committee with representation from SNS, CSCA, NSHPP, and one representative from the sport community.

Application timeline:

Application deadlines will be in conjunction with block funding. The deadline is projected to be December 15th of each year.

Reporting timeline:

1. Annual reports are due by March 15th each year.

Any organization receiving funding that does not submit a final report will be ineligible to receive funding from *Support4Sport* programs until a report is submitted.

2. Coach/Officials Development

A. Program area: Coach Employment

This provides funding for PSOs to support new investments in full-time coaching for their organizations. Through the CSCA, some funding already exists for PSOs who meet national standards in this area. Individuals filling these positions will act as the provincial coaches and technical development leaders for their respective organizations.

Funding contributions for full-time coaches of up to \$30,000 will be available. Full-time coaches funded through this program will have a minimum base salary requirement of \$40,000. **PSOs are responsible for all costs including MERC (mandatory employee related costs such as CPP, EI and four per cent vacation pay if applicable) above the \$30,000 financial commitment from *Support4Sport* program.**

Funding amount: \$450,000

Allocation process:

Fifteen full-time positions can be created. Funding commitments will be for three years. Decisions on allocations will be made by a *Support4Sport* review committee with representation from SNS, CSCA, NSHPP, and one representative from the coaching community.

Application timeline:

Applications will be reviewed monthly, assuming there are available funds.

Reporting timeline:

Annual reports are due by March 1st each year.

Any organization receiving funding that does not submit a final report will no longer be eligible to receive funding from *Support4Sport* programs.

B. Program area: High-Performance Coach Assistance

Nova Scotia coaches who work with Sport Canada carded athletes or athletes who have competed at a World Senior or World Junior Championships are eligible to apply. Coaches are eligible for funding up to \$2,500.00 once per year. Coaches currently supported through coaching expense grants provided by the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic are not eligible.

Funding Amount: \$27,000

The amount of funding allocated in this area could vary depending on how many coaches qualify during any one year.

Allocation process:

Decisions will be made by a *Support4Sport* review committee including representatives from Sport Nova Scotia, the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic, and Health Promotion and Protection. In addition, staff will monitor athlete performances and attempt to contact any coaches who might have met the performance criteria. Once a coach has met the criteria, he/she will be funded for one fiscal year.

Application timeline:

Coaches can apply at any time.

Reporting Timeline:

Reports are due by March 1st each year.

Eligibility for future funding will depend on report being submitted annually. Coaches will be tracked by staff.

C. Program area: Coach Education

Organizations hosting coaching seminars, certification clinics, and conferences will be eligible to receive funding to help offset expenses. These programs can be held in collaboration with Provincial Sport Organizations, schools, or municipal recreation departments. The goal of the program is to encourage partner collaboration to increase the hosting of educational programs for coaches across the province in all settings. All projects with sport specific elements would require partnership with the respective provincial sport organization.

Please note that initiatives lead and coordinated by Provincial Sport Organizations should be directed to the Coaching section of the PSO projects program.

Funding Amount: \$25,000

Allocation process:

Decisions will be made on a monthly basis by a *Support4Sport* review committee including representatives from Sport Nova Scotia, the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic, and Health Promotion and Protection

Application timeline:

Organizations can apply at any time.

Reporting timeline:

A report must be submitted 30 days after the conclusion of the event.

Eligibility for future funding will depend on report being submitted.

D. Program area: Professional Development

Funding is available to *Support4Sport* supported coaches. In some instances these professional development opportunities may take place in the form of seminars or group educational events, which will be open to other coaches who would like to take part.

Funding Amount: \$21,500

Allocation/Application/Reporting:

Professional development opportunities will be determined by the goals and priorities set by each coach and may vary by individual. Each coach supported by the *Support4Sport* program will receive \$1,000 for a professional development/educational opportunity. Some additional opportunities may be designed and delivered if the budget allows. Efforts will be made to develop opportunities that can be accessed by coaches in addition to those supported by the *Support4Sport* program. All professional development will be managed through the Sport Nova Scotia *Support4Sport* Coordinator in conjunction with the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic.

E. Program area: Individual Coach initiatives

Funding is available to individual coaches for certification or training initiatives. Coaches will be supported based on the quality of their initiative and their ability to assist Nova Scotia athletes and coaches at all levels. Only coaches with a minimum Level II certificate will be considered. Generally, funding will not be available for traveling to events with athletes. Coaches must be in good standing with their PSOs.

Funding Amount: \$42,500

Allocation process:

Decisions will be made on a monthly basis by a *Support4Sport* review committee including representatives from Sport Nova Scotia, the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic, and Health Promotion and Protection

Application timeline:

Coaches can apply at any time.

Reporting timeline:

A report must be submitted 30 days after the conclusion of the event.

Eligibility for future funding will depend on report being submitted.

F. Program area: Individual Official initiatives

Funding is available to individual officials for certification or training initiatives. Officials will be supported based on the quality of their initiative and their ability to assist the Nova Scotia sport system at all levels. Officials must be in good standing with their PSOs.

Funding Amount: \$30,000

Allocation process:

Decisions will be made on a monthly basis by a *Support4Sport* review committee including representatives from Sport Nova Scotia, the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic, and Health Promotion and Protection

Application timeline:

Officials can apply at any time.

Reporting timeline:

A report must be submitted 30 days after the conclusion of the event.

Eligibility for future funding will depend on report being submitted.

3. Athlete Assistance

This funding provides direct assistance for high-performance athletes. Some funding already exists for athletes who meet defined international, national and regional standards through Sport Canada, NSHPP, the CSCA and the Nova Scotia Amateur Sport Fund. As part of this program, each PSO will receive \$750 annually for a PSO carding program to support athletes who do not qualify for the current funding but who have been recognized for their potential high-performance results.

Funding amount: \$290,000

The amount of funding allocated in this area could vary depending on how many athletes qualify during any one year.

Allocation process:

Decisions will be made on a monthly basis by a Support 4 Sport review committee with representation from SNS, CSCA and HPP. In addition, CSCA staff will monitor athlete performances and attempt to contact any athlete who might have met the performance criteria. Once an athlete has met the criteria, he/she will be funded for one year.

Application timeline:

Athletes may apply at any time.

Reporting Process:

Outline of activities during past year must be submitted by March 1st each year.

Eligibility for future funding will depend on report being submitted annually. Athletes will be tracked by CSCA.

4. Canada Games Programming

A. Program area: PSO Canada Games Support

This is funding for PSOs to support their Canada Games high-performance development plans. PSOs who receive block funding will be eligible for minimum support from this program. Applications will be considered for team and individual sports, as defined by Sport Canada. Funding will be allocated on an annual basis, with commitments of up to four years. Funding will be allocated at six levels for individual sports and five levels for team sports:

Individual Sports	Team Sports
a. \$30,000	a. \$20,000
b. \$20,000	b. \$15,000
c. \$15,000	c. \$10,000
d. \$10,000	d. \$5,000
e. \$5,000	e. \$2,000
f. \$2,000	

Funding amount: \$450,000

Allocation process:

Decisions on allocations will be made by a *Support4Sport* Review committee with representation from SNS, CSCA, NSHPP, and a representative from the sport community.

Application timeline:

Application deadline for summer sports is February 1st.
Application deadline for winter sports is September 15th.

Reporting timeline:

Annual reports for summer sports are due by October 1st.
Annual reports for winter sports are due by May 31st.

Funding for the following year will not be provided until annual report from previous year is received.

B. Program area: Sport Science Canada Games Training Support

Support will be made available to all PSO Canada Games training programs in the areas of sport science and strength training. This support will be delivered by qualified technical experts hired to deliver this support.

Funding Amount/Allocation/Application/Reporting

Requests for technical support can be made directly to the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic.

5. High-Performance Programming

A. Program Area: Training Group Support

This is funding for high performance training groups that include Sport Canada carded athletes. Eligible groups would be based in Nova Scotia and in good standing with their Provincial Sport Organizations.

Funding amount: \$54,000

Allocation process:

Proposals for the fund will be developed in conjunction with the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic. Recommendations on allocations will be provided to a *Support4Sport* review committee with representation from SNS, NSHPP, and a representative from the sport community. All funds will be managed by the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic on behalf of the training groups.

Application timeline:

Applications can be received at any time.

Reporting timeline:

Annual reports are due by March 1st each year.

Funding for the following year will not be provided until annual report from previous year is received.

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Support will be made available to all PSO Canada Games training programs in the areas of sport science and strength training. This support will be delivered by qualified technical experts hired to deliver this support.

Funding Amount/Allocation/Application/Reporting

Requests for technical support can be made directly to the Canadian Sport Centre Atlantic.