



KidSport™ Alberta Q & A



WHAT IS KIDSPORT?

KidSport is a national organization that aims to get kids off the sidelines and into the game by helping overcome the financial barriers that prevent some children from participating in organized sport.

HOW DOES KIDSPORT HELP?

KidSport provides grants to kids from families facing financial barriers so they can participate in registered sport programs. Grants are provided by the local KidSport chapter. Communities that do not have a local chapter are eligible to apply to the KidSport Alberta Provincial Fund.

WHEN DID KIDSPORT START?

KidSport was initially created in BC in 1993, not only because of the value and benefits that sports provides, but also because the rising costs of registration fees and equipment reduced the number of kids in sports. KidSport was launched in Alberta in 1995 at the AGT March of Champions Torch Relay en route to the Canada Winter Games in Grande Prairie.

WHAT DOES A KIDSPORT GRANT COVER?

The grant covers up to \$250* per child, per calendar year to go towards registration fees and personal sports equipment for sustained sport programs (over a season) with qualified instructors. *Individual funding amount may vary- please check with your local chapter on the current amount they can fund.

WHAT AGES ARE ELIGIBLE?

Grants are for children and youth under the age of 18 years.

WHAT SPORTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING?

All sports that meet *Sport Canada's Definition of Sport* are eligible.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A KIDSPORT GRANT?

Families that are on a low income, unemployed, on AISH, currently receiving income support through provincial government &/or working hard to make ends meet are all considered eligible. KidSport considers social and economic barriers facing the child's family when determining eligibility.

HOW MANY KIDS HAVE BEEN HELPED BY KIDSPORT CHAPTERS IN ALBERTA?

Since our launch in 1995, over 36,500 children & youth across Alberta have been provided grants which have enabled them to participate in a season of sport.

HOW CAN I DONATE?

You can donate on-line or download a donation form from our website at www.kidsportcanada.ca.

Funds raised in a community will be forwarded to the local chapter.

HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?

Each provincial and local chapter has specific needs and opportunities for volunteers.

Visit our website at www.kidsportcanada.ca to find the local chapter nearest to you to get more information on volunteer opportunities.

WHO CAN I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

For more information on the KidSport program, please contact:
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