



Return to Coaching Community Grant

Program Description:

The Return to Coaching Community Grant aims to support Ontario coaches and participants with the tools they need, while also keeping safety top of mind, as we continue to return to the playing field.

Sport plays a vital role in our communities, and has been sorely missed over the past years. While we are very excited at the continued resumption of play, we also recognize that there will be additional costs (including: training, equipment, and more) that many coaches will be responsible for in order to keep their participants physical, mental and emotional safety top of mind.

This fund aims to offset some of these expenses for coaches so that a safe return to sport remains accessible for all Ontarians.

Purpose of the Program:

- To help coaches return to sport safely while offsetting new expenses related to the continued return from the COVID-19 pandemic
- Help keep the cost of sport reasonable and accessible to all participants

Funding Available:

- 30 grants of up to \$1,000 CAD per applicant

Eligible Applicants:

- Sport coaches in Ontario (all levels and contexts of sport, i.e. community, competitive, high performance)
- Sport organizations in Ontario applying on behalf of a group of coaches (A list of the coaches directly benefiting from the grant must be provided by selected recipients)

Eligible Expenses:

- Safety training (i.e. NCCP training, consultant, speaker, expert)
- New equipment to replace old, outdated and/or unsafe equipment
- Other expenses that directly contribute to a safe sport environment

Timeline*:

- Applications open June 9, 2022
- Applications Close July 6, 2022
- Recipients notified August 3, 2022



Selection:

- All applications will be acknowledged upon submissions
- Each application will be reviewed by the CAO/Hydro One Selection Committee and be ranked based on demonstration of need and a commitment to a safe return to sport
- Following review, all applicants will be contacted and informed as to the success of their application

Funding Release:

Selected recipients will submit purchase receipts and a final impact report
CAO will reimburse selected recipients via cheque for up to \$1,000 of eligible expenses Purchases must be purchased from a Canadian retailer or Canadian retail affiliate Purchases must be submitted by March 31, 2023

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