

## ADAPTIVE SPORT GRANT

*Deadline: Applications will be accepted until **11:59pm PST on June 21st, 2024***

***All activities must be completed and funding expended no later than February 16, 2025.***

### OBJECTIVE:

The goal of the Adaptive Sport Grant is to provide funding for sport organizations that are supporting the lead up and delivery of the Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 (IG25). The grant supports sport organizations to grow adaptive sport and build their organizational capacity as part of the legacy of the Games.

The grant is supported through contributions from the Province of BC and administered by viaSport British Columbia.

### WHO CAN APPLY:

Applications can only be submitted by registered not-for-profit societies that are:

- A viaSport Designated Sport Organization (i.e., accredited, recognized, or affiliated)
- Local Sport Organizations (LSOs) that are affiliated and in good standing of a viaSport Designated Sport Organization

AND:

- Support the growth or delivery of adaptive sport leading up to or during the Invictus Games 2025. Eligible sports include: Alpine Skiing, Snowboarding, Indoor Rowing, Biathlon, Nordic Skiing, Sitting Volleyball, Skeleton, Swimming, Wheelchair Basketball, Wheelchair Curling, Wheelchair Rugby.

For more information on **viaSport's Designation Sport Program** please visit:

<https://viasport.ca/accredited-recognized-affiliated-sports-in-bc/>

### REVIEW CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Grant funding is allocated through a competitive application-based process. Eligible applications are evaluated by a review panel consisting of community and provincial sport experts. The panel members are chosen to ensure balanced representation. The panel bases their recommendations and funding levels on the eligibility and assessment criteria described in these guidelines with guidance from viaSport. The panel reserves the right to recommend an application that falls outside of these guidelines.

#### OVERARCHING ASSESSMENT:

- Merit of application
- Scope of programming
- Availability of funding
- Equitable geographic or demographic distribution

#### GRANT SPECIFIC ASSESSMENTS:

Applications will be assessed according to the following criteria:

1. The proposal has a defined connection with the Invictus Games 2025 and provides a valuable opportunity for athletes, coaches and officials.
2. Applicants must demonstrate how they will leverage IG25 to:
  - a. Support current participants or increase the number of participants (volunteers, coaches, officials and event support staff) involved in their adaptive sport program(s). AND/OR
  - b. Address an identified issue within their adaptive sport strategy.
3. The proposal demonstrates a commitment to the development of adaptive sport in their community.
4. The proposal provides a strong contribution to increasing the capacity of the provincial sport system and developing skills and experience of volunteers, technical officials, and event organizers.

#### POSSIBLE USE OF FUNDS:

Possible use of funds may include, but are not limited to:

- Purchase or refurbishment of new or used equipment.
- Remuneration for coaches and/or officials involved with IG25. For example, honorariums for coaches/officials providing services to IG25.
- Expenses incurred by coaches and/or officials that are involved with IG25.
- Coach/official training or certification to attend IG25.
- Marketing (video assets, printed materials, sport demonstrations) used during the lead up and Games period.
- New or expanded programming or capacity building as a result of increased exposure from IG25.

## **BUDGET:**

The grant has a total funding envelope of \$232,500.00. Eligible applicants are invited to apply for funding between \$5,000 and \$30,000 depending on the scope of programming.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

All applicants must become familiar with the following:

- The applicant ensures all of the information contained in the application is true and complete.
- Applicants may be asked to provide additional supporting information at the discretion of viaSport staff or review panel.
- Successful candidates may be required to submit a post-grant report or survey. This may or may not include: how the funding was used, including receipts and invoices, grant cycle feedback.
- Successful applicants may be asked to participate in interviews on their experience receiving this funding, to provide letters demonstrating project impact from program participants, or agree to participate in follow-up communications at the discretion of the viaSport grants team.
- The Province of BC and viaSport are able to publish the applicant/organization's name.
- Successful candidates may be required to properly acknowledge viaSport and government support, more information available here: <https://viasport.ca/press-kit/>
- Under normal circumstances, approved awards will only be paid via direct deposit (EFT) after the grant letter is signed by the intended recipient.
- In the case of a cancelled project or rescheduling outside eligible dates, repayment of the grant funds will be required. Any project funds not spent on eligible project expenses must be returned.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Applications for funding will only be accepted online. Please find your desired grant and fully submit an application form via the following link:

<https://viasportgrants.smapply.io/>

If you have applied for any grants through our online portal before, please use your existing account. If this is the first time you've applied, you are required to create an account. The platform allows you to save your application in progress and return to it at a future time. Remember to review your application prior to submission as you will not be able to modify your application after it has been submitted. Upon submission, please look for the notification email confirming your submission and save it. viaSport is not responsible for reviewing any unsubmitted applications.

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## CONTACT AND OTHER GRANTS:

If you wish to discuss your proposal and its eligibility prior to applying, please contact:

### Grants at viaSport BC

**Phone:** 778-655-1756

**Email:** [grants@viasport.ca](mailto:grants@viasport.ca)

If you wish to learn more about how we are transforming and scaling the impact of sport in our province, upcoming grant opportunities, and the latest sport and physical activity news in BC:

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## APPENDIX 1: APPLICATION QUESTIONS

General Details:

- Organization and Contact Information

Proposal:

- Provide a brief description of the proposal and how the funds will be used (300 words)
- Number of anticipated participants benefiting from this proposal.
- How will this proposal support your organization's adaptive sport programming in the lead up to Invictus Games 2025 and beyond? (150 words)
- How do you plan to measure impact? (150 words)
- What current barriers does your organization face related to developing adaptive sport programming? How will this funding address such barriers? (150 words)
- Please list any partner(s) for this program and include the nature of the partnership (who is providing what) (150 words)

Budget:

- Funds Requested and Breakdown of Expenses