

Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund



Factsheet

Sport NZ has announced a \$25 million package to provide further short-term relief for organisations at all levels of the play, active recreation and sport sector. The funds have been made available through the reprioritisation of Sport NZ's work programme in the wake of COVID-19, as well as the drawing down on cash reserves.

The majority of this funding (\$15m) is being allocated to the Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund which will be distributed via Regional Sport Trusts.

The wider \$10m within this latest Relief Package will include ongoing and further support to our investment partners, as well as the provision of some financial relief to organisations in the wider system that are not normally in receipt of investment from Sport NZ. Sport NZ is also working on a fund to reactivate physical activity when alert levels allow.

More information is available on the Sport New Zealand website www.sportnz.org.nz

The Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund is available to regional and local level organisations who are affiliated with a Sport New Zealand national investment partner. This means, most play, active recreation and sport clubs and regional bodies are eligible to apply.

We know that some Māori organisations may not be affiliated to national bodies, however non-affiliated Māori organisations who wish to apply can receive endorsement from one of Sport New Zealand's He Oranga Poutama providers or a recognised Māori National Sport Organisations (Māori NSO). Details of this process are being worked through and will be available on the Sport NZ and RST websites before the fund opens on Monday.

Clubs can apply for an immediate grant of up to \$1000 cash payment to cover their fixed costs for invoices such as rent, phone, power. Regional bodies can apply for up to \$40,000 towards their fixed costs.

The Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund is for organisations that are already materially negatively impacted by COVID-19 restrictions and/or will be materially negatively impacted by COVID-19 restrictions for the period April to June 2020. It is intended to help cover fixed administration costs that you're currently unable to pay because of financial hardship caused by the impact of COVID-19.

This includes costs of:

- Insurances
- Power
- Phones
- Rent or facilities hire
- Equipment hire
- Eft-pos fees
- Rates
- Audit fees
- IT support arrangements
- Accountancy support arrangements, and other fixed costs associated with the Annual General Meeting
- Costs of events or programmes that had to be cancelled (not just delayed) because of Covid-19, where the costs can't be eliminated.

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The Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund does not cover:

- Costs of new programmes or events
- Costs incurred outside the period April to June 2020
- Costs associated with professional athletes, professional sports teams, academies, or rep teams
- Capital costs
- Costs that are already covered by other relief arrangements; e.g. through support from your regional or national organisations, by a rent holiday, by the council or other landowner reducing charges for the use of facilities, by rates relief, by the Government's Wages Subsidy or other Government agencies.
- Wage or salary costs. These may be covered by the Government Wage Subsidy. The Sport NZ website has more information for employers here: Employment Support.

How to apply

Regional Sports Trusts will be taking applications for the fund from 11 May at 10am.

More information will be posted on the Regional Sports Trust websites regarding the application process. You may only apply to the RST for the region that covers your organisations registered address. For example if your region is the top half of the North Island and your registered address is Whangarei, you would apply to Sport Northland.

A list of Regional Sports Trusts is below:

List of Regional Sports Trusts

Aktive – Auckland Sport and Recreation

www.aktive.org.nz

Sport Bay of Plenty

www.sportbop.co.nz

Sport Canterbury – Canterbury/West Coast

www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

Sport Gisborne

www.sportgisborne.org.nz

Sport Hawke's Bay

www.sporthb.net.nz

Sport Manawatu

www.sportmanawatu.org.nz

Sport Northland

www.sportnorthland.co.nz

Sport Otago

www.sportotago.co.nz

Sport Southland

www.sportsouthland.co.nz

Sport Taranaki

www.sporttaranaki.org.nz

Sport Tasman

www.sporttasman.org.nz

Sport Waikato

www.sportwaikato.org.nz

Sport Whanganui

www.sportwhanganui.co.nz

Sport Wellington

www.sportwellington.org.nz