



Parasport Jumpstart Fund – Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Parasport Jumpstart Fund?

Since 2013, Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities and Canadian Paralympic Committee have been engaged in a partnership to create greater opportunities for children and youth with disabilities between the ages of 4 and 18, and who face barriers to actively participate in organized sports and physical activity. To date the fund has disbursed over \$520,000.

In 2017, the Parasport Jumpstart Fund will support more Parasport programs across the country through a granting style program. The focus still remains on improving access to grassroots participation for children and youth but has expanded to include more opportunities for a variety of sports and programming type.

What types of programs does the Parasport Jumpstart Fund support?

The Parasport Jumpstart Fund supports introductory and development Parasport programs designed at getting children and youth with a disability active and/or on a sport-specific pathway.

The Parasport Jumpstart Fund funds programs to cover the cost of registration, equipment and transportation for children and youth under the age of 18.

Eligible programs may include:

- Sport-specific programming (one sport offered)
- Multi-sport programming (several sport offered)
- Paralympic sports programming (<http://paralympic.ca/paralympic-sport>)
- Non-Paralympic sports (sometimes called “parasports”) programming
- Programming tailored to children or youth with a specific impairment (for example, a soccer club for children with a visual impairment)
- Programming for children or youth who have a variety of different abilities and participate together (for example, a blend of children who are able-bodied with other who have an intellectual, physical, or visual impairment).

Jumpstart and the CPC recognize that many introductory programs are often multi-sport and include different disability groups as well as able-bodied participants participating together.

In 2017, the Parasport Jumpstart Fund will offer three streams of funding: Paralympic sport, Parasport and Multi-sport

The Paralympic Sport Stream funds programs offering sports on the Paralympic program. For a complete list of Paralympic sports please visit: <http://paralympic.ca/paralympic-sport>

Applicants must be specific about how this funding will support entry or ongoing participation on a sport-specific Paralympic pathway.

The Parasport Stream funds programs offering sports and activities that are not on the Paralympic program. Examples include sailing, waterski and wakeboard, wheel dance and more.

The Multi-Sport Stream funds programs offering either multiple sports and can include either Paralympic or Parasports.. This funding stream aims to expand the opportunities available for children and youth to be physically active and recognizes that multi-sport environments are often good starting points for children and youth to be exposed to sport.

What costs does the grant fund?

The Parasport Jumpstart Fund can provide fund can help offset costs under the following ways:

1. Registration (coaching fees, facilities rentals, etc...)
2. Equipment (applicable to the sport or sports offered)
3. Transportation costs (covering costs of a bus to/from program if participants have no other way of getting to/from program)

What is the maximum funding amount that can be requested through this fund?

There is no maximum funding amount. Be sure to be specific when building the budget in your application.

My program includes children, youth and adults (over 18 years old), can I still apply for the grant?

The focus of the grant is grassroots programming for children and youth between 4 and 18. Programs can include youth older than 18, however funding will only be provided for children that are 4 to 18.

Is a financial need assessment required for the program participants?

No, a financial need assessment is not required for the Parasport Jumpstart Fund.

Who can apply?

Organizations that are eligible for funding are included below:

- a registered charity (including a registered national arts service organization)
- a registered Canadian amateur athletic association
- a registered housing corporation resident in Canada constituted exclusively to provide low-cost housing for the aged
- a registered Canadian municipality
- a registered municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada
- Her Majesty in right of Canada, a province, or a territory
- the United Nations and its agencies

- Provincial Sport Organizations
- Multi-Sport Organizations
- Disability Sport Organizations
- an organization incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation or society;
- an unincorporated branch or chapter of a registered charity or incorporated not-for-profit organization. The incorporated organization or registered charity must authorize the application and accept responsibility for any approved grant;
- an Indigenous community

I have previously applied, can I apply again?

Yes, if your organization has received Parasport Jumpstart funding in previous years, you can apply again.

Does the program have to be new?

No, you can apply for a new or existing program.

When is the application due?

August 11, 2017 at 5:00pm PDT.

What child and youth data is required?

Once the program is approved, before the funds are disbursed organization are required to upload child data of all the participating children to the Jumpstart Online Community Centre. The required data is as follows:

- Child name (First and Last)
- Date of Birth
- Postal Code
- Gender.

What is the child and youth data used for?

The information collected will be used for evaluating the success of programs for the purposes of future development as well as developing trends in Parasport in Canada.

When will I know if my application was successful?

Adjudication of all applications will take place in August 2017. All applicants will be notified in early September 2017.

When will I receive the funding?

Funding will be released once the child and youth data has been uploaded in to the Jumpstart Online Community Centre. See question – “What child and youth data is required?” for more information on child data.

What if I don't know the number of children that will attend?

Please try and be as accurate as possible. If more or less children attend than anticipated you will be able to make an adjustment to the final numbers in your final report.

I have never applied to Jumpstart or CPC for funding are you able to provide an overview of the process?

- Complete the application and submit to jumpstart_cdp@cantire.com by August 11, 2017.
- All applications will be adjudicated by a review panel of representatives from Jumpstart and CPC in August.
- All decisions will be shared in early September.
- September to October – you are required to upload the child data and the funds will be released to your organization.
- Upon completion of your program you will be required to complete a program report.

My program has already started can I apply for funding?

No, you are not eligible for funding if your program has already started.

What if I miss the deadline can my organization apply?

No, you are not able to apply if you miss the deadline.

Need more information?

If you have any further questions about the grant or application, please e-mail jumpstart_cdp@cantire.com.