

# **Sports Development Grants Programme**

### 1. Purpose of the Scheme:

The broad goal of Active South Dublin is to increase participation in sport and physical activity among the population of the county. In particular, Active South Dublin will look to target those sections of the community where research shows that participation is traditionally lower - those experiencing economic and/or social disadvantage; ethnic minorities; teenage girls and women in general; older aged and people with a disability. The central objective in the provision of grants will be the ability of the organisation to generate a longer-term effect with the funding provided.

#### 2. Criteria

### A. Eligible Sectors

- Schools primary, secondary & special
- Sports Clubs & Organisations
- Disability Groups
- Community Groups

#### **B.** Non-Eligible Sectors

- Private Individuals
- Private Facility Owners
- Statutory Agencies

#### c. Eligible Categories

- Equipment
- Training club development, leadership/ coaching courses
- Activity Programmes particularly those aimed at core target groups such as teenage girls, ethnic minorities, persons with a disability, unemployed, older aged.

#### 3. General Guidelines

- Full details of the purpose of the grant must be provided.
- Evidence of financial needs and proposals for matching resources should be produced.
- Bank accounts must be in the name of the group making the application.
- Grants will not be paid retrospectively for past programmes or activities.
- The target audience must live in South Dublin County.
- Receipts of expenditure will be sought for grants of €1,000 or above.

<u>Note:</u> Applications will not be assessed and will be returned to the applicant group if all requested information has not been submitted.

Grants are assessed under the following considerations.

- 1. Target audience.
- 2. Provision of clear and accurate information and costings.
- 3. Potential sustainability and legacy.
- 4. Cost benefit analysis i.e. demonstrate good value for money.
- 5. Existing funds available to the group and the availability of other funding sources.

Following assessment of the application the Active South Dublin Committee presents its grants approvals to a meeting of South Dublin County Council which currently meets on the second Monday of each month (excluding August).

## **Equipment, Coach Education & Programme Support Grant**

This grant is intended for the purchase of equipment, training costs for the development of volunteer coaches and administrators.

The annual allocation for 2024 is €150,000

#### **Additional Criteria:**

- Applicant group must be non-professional.
- Personal items e.g. footwear, will not be grant aided.
- Volunteer training must be accredited by Sport Ireland, a National Governing Body of sport or other recognised corporate body.
- The training course undertaken must benefit the organisation as a whole rather than just the individual.
- Applicant group must demonstrate the need for operational support.

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