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TRUE SPORT FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY SPORT PROGRAMS

The True Sport Foundation is now accepting applications for the True Sport Community Fund. Grants in the amount of \$5,000 or \$25,000 are available in support of sport programs that create access, and promote inclusion for children and youth from Aboriginal, low-income, and new Canadian families.

“Through the True Sport Community Fund, we are helping communities to offer programs that will give Canadian children and youth an opportunity to participate in True Sport –sport that contributes to active healthy lifestyles, fosters positive youth development, enhances academic excellence and can prevent youth crime and gang involvement in our communities,” says Victor Lachance, executive director of the True Sport Foundation.

The fund is the result of a partnership between the J.W. McConnell Family Foundation and the True Sport Foundation. Funds are awarded to innovative programs such as those that address common barriers to participation, create sport opportunities that have a broader appeal to Aboriginal or new Canadian children and youth, provide volunteer coach and official training, and improve or create new playing surfaces.

Although open to all provinces and territories, the True Sport Community Fund focuses on Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador.

Since 2007, \$835,000 in dedicated funds have been made available to community-based sport and recreation organizations. All grant recipients have been selected because they represent the values of True Sport and demonstrate opportunities to increase access and inclusion to sport in their community. To date, the grants awarded have directly impacted over 35,000 children and youth and 5,500 volunteers.

An additional \$295,000 will be distributed in the next phase of funding this fall. The next application deadline is October 31. Information and eligibility criteria as well as the online application form are available at www.truesport.ca/tsfund.

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