



## Indigenous Athlete Fund Guidelines

### General Description:

The Indigenous Athlete Fund (IAF) was founded in 2005 through a meaningful partnership between the Government of Canada, the Province of New Brunswick and the Aboriginal Sport and Recreation New Brunswick (ASRNB) to allow Indigenous youth improved opportunities to access to sport and physical activities. The overall objective of this initiative is to increase participation in sports and recreation for all indigenous youth of New Brunswick.

The Indigenous Athlete Fund will assist indigenous athletes overcome financial barriers which prevent or limit their participation in organized sport and recreation programs that are currently not available within their communities. This program is intended to help indigenous youth access organized sport programs.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must be between the ages of 5 and 18 years old.
- Applications must be submitted prior to programs start date.
- Applicants must be indigenous.
- Applicant shall receive up to a maximum of \$500.00. Cheques are made payable to applicant's sport program/club.
- Assistance is available for membership fees: for the purchase of mandatory personal sport equipment (receipts must be provided to receive reimbursement).
- Sport activities must be recognized by the member organizations of Sport New Brunswick.
- Funding is not intended to replace existing funding available for such programs however it may be used to help supplement the existing programs.
- Applications must be endorsed by a professional's signature (e.g. teacher, health care professional, law enforcement officer, etc.) that will be contacted to further validate athletes need.

Applications are assessed monthly by the ASRNB Indigenous Athlete Fund Committee. The number of applications to be supported will limited based on available funds.

Please application to:

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