



# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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Caboto Soccer Club believes that every child should have access to soccer in our community. Listed below is a list of available options that you may benefit from. Please note that it can take up to 6 to 8 weeks for applications to be processed and funding is limited. Make sure that you apply as early as possible.

Upon approval of funding from any program, applicants must send proof of their approved application to the Club via their Team Manager. Once Caboto Soccer Club receives the player's financial assistance from the Program they applied for, the Club will then write a cheque for that amount and provide this to that player's team. JumpStart and KidSport do not disclose their applications with Caboto Soccer Club. Upon approval of your application, it is important that you inform your Team Manager or Coaches so they can let the Club know these funds will be arriving for that player.

## JUMPSTART PROGRAM

Website: <https://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca>

Giving kids the opportunity to access sport and play is essential for their growth and development, which is why Jumpstart funds a variety of different sports and activities all with the goal of giving all kids the chance to discover their passion.

### ELIGIBILITY

#### Financial Requirements

To be eligible for funding for one or more children, families must first meet specific financial criteria as per Revenue Canada's Low-Income Cut-Offs (LICO) chart. Jumpstart uses the furthest column to the right of the chart for eligibility.

#### Other Funding Requirements

- Children must fall between the ages of 4 - 18 years old.
- Funding is allocated to sustained programs that involve a sport or physical activity.
- Programs should be a minimum of five weeks in duration and include at least one session per week. In the case of sports camps, the program must last at least five consecutive days for consideration.

### FUNDING DETAILS AND TIMELINES

#### Applications

- It is recommended that applications be submitted prior to the program start date. Applications submitted where the program has concluded will not be reviewed.
- Applications must include proof of financial need. A clear, legible, and current copy of your Canada Child Benefit (Statement) will be required as proof of need.
- Under exceptional circumstances (e.g., recent immigrants to Canada, individuals fleeing spousal abuse, etc.) alternative confirmation of eligibility will be accepted on a case-by-case basis.

#### Timelines

- Applications for assistance can be submitted from January 15 to June 1 for spring/summer programs, and from July 1 to November 1 for fall/winter programs.

#### Funding Details

- The annual maximum amount a child is eligible to receive is up to \$600, subject to Chapter discretion and/or local demands.
- The maximum amount of funding per application is \$300
- Children can be funded for successive seasons in an activity, up to a maximum of \$600 per activity.
- All approvals will be determined by the local Jumpstart Chapter and designated Canadian Tire Jumpstart Regional Manager, and are subject to local demands and Chapter budgets.

#### Disbursement

- Cheques are made payable to the service organization, identified as the "payee" in the application. A payee can be a local hockey association, gymnastics club, etc., that coordinates the sports or physical activity on behalf of the qualifying youth/child.

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## KIDSPORT PROGRAM

Website: <https://kidsportcanada.ca/ontario/provincial-fund/>

KidSport provides grants to kids from families facing financial barriers so they can participate in registered sport programs and experience the lifelong benefits of a season of sport. KidSport Ontario provides grants of up to \$250 per eligible kid, per year (January 1st – December 31st) towards sport registration fees.

If the child needs equipment, we will make a referral to a partner agency. Grants are intended to be used for sport registration fees; travel and competitions are not eligible for funding.

## ELIGIBILITY

KidSport Ontario reviews the financial barriers faced by the child's family when determining eligibility for grants provided through the Provincial Fund, based on the federal government low income guidelines plus approximately 30%.

To determine financial eligibility for grants provided through the Provincial Fund, the applicant needs to submit one of the following documents. Proof of income for each adult in the home is required.

### Preferred Document:

- Canada Child Benefit Notice-page 1 and 2 most recent tax year

### Other Options:

- Proof of Income Statement-each adult in the home- accessed through CRA My Account
- Notice of Assessment-each adult in the home-most recent tax year
- Income Support
- Subsidized Housing
- Child Health Benefit letter

If you are unsure of your eligibility to receive a grant, please reach out to [info@kidsportontario.ca](mailto:info@kidsportontario.ca).

## HOW DO I APPLY?

Find a sport program your kid would like to join and sign up. Let the program's administrators know you will be applying for KidSport funding.

Apply online or use the paper application form – be sure to complete all sections of the application, as incomplete applications take much longer to process, and can cause delays in receiving your grant.

Your completed application will be processed within 30 days of being received. If you qualify for KidSport funding, the grant will be sent directly to the sport program your kid has signed up for.

You can submit a paper application by mail or e-mail:

PO Box 93004 Headon RPO

Burlington, ON L7M 4A3

Email: [info@kidsportontario.ca](mailto:info@kidsportontario.ca)

## DEADLINES FOR APPLYING

The deadline is May 31st, for all programs taking place between June- August of that year.

The deadline is August 31st for all programs taking place between Sept-Dec of that year.

The deadline is December 23, for all programs taking place between January- March 31st, the following year.

*Any questions or inquires can be sent to: Club Admin of Caboto Soccer Club at [admin@cabotosoccer.com](mailto:admin@cabotosoccer.com).*