

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R054 COUNCIL DATE: May 1, 2023

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: April 25, 2023

FROM: General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture FILE: 1855-01

General Manager, Finance

SUBJECT: 2023 Sport Tourism Grant Program Recommendations and Process Update

RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Department and the Finance Department recommend that Council:

- 1. Receive this report for information;
- 2. Approve 18 Sport Tourism Grants totaling \$64,700, in accordance with the City's Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines (attached as Appendix "I"); and
- 3. Authorize the General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture and the General Manager of Finance to approve all Sport Tourism grants up to the award maximum of \$5,000 effective May 2, 2023; and
- 4. Direct staff to report annually on the previous year's approved Sport Tourism Program grants to Council beginning in 2024; and
- 5. Approve updates to the Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines as amended in the attached Appendix "II".

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's approval for the issuance of grants under the Sport Tourism Grant Program for the first biannual intake in 2023 and to obtain Council approval to authorize the General Manager Parks, Recreation & Culture and General Manager Finance, to approve future Sport Tourism grants and annually report the previous year's grant allocations to Council.

BACKGROUND

On April 27, 2015, Council adopted the City of Surrey's Sport Tourism Grant Program (Corporate Report No Ro61; 2015, attached as Appendix "III"). The Sport Tourism Grant Program supports the goals established in the Sport Tourism Strategy endorsed by Council in 2013.

DISCUSSION

Submissions for the first intake of Sport Tourism Grants were reviewed on March 30, 2023; 20 applications were received (attached as Appendix "IV"). The total combined expenditure budget of these events is \$2,859,668.32, which demonstrates the investments local sport organizations are making towards hosting events in Surrey. An evaluation committee, composed of City staff from the Parks, Recreation & Culture Department and Finance Department as well as one representative from Discover Surrey, reviewed the applications ensuring consistency with the Program Guidelines. The Evaluation Committee recommends awarding 18 grants totaling \$64,700. Two grant applicants did not meet the criteria as per the Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines (outlined in Appendix "IV").

Sport Tourism Grant Program Updates

The Program originally implemented in 2015, was updated in 2017 and 2021, and further updates to improve the administration of the program are proposed in the amended Program Guidelines (attached as Appendix "II"). The proposed updates include removing the current bi-annual deadlines for intakes of the grant, moving to an ongoing intake model to be reviewed as received by staff and allowing applicants to apply for grants up to two months prior to event hosting.

Given the timing of grant applications and sport hosting events, staff recommend that Council delegate the authority to approve grants to the General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture and the General Manager of Finance up to the award maximum of \$5,000 effective May 2, 2023. The delegation of the grant approval process will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the City's grant administration process for sport organizations. Annual reporting of the approved grants to Council will continue to provide accountability for the grant process.

FUNDING

Appendix "IV" attached to this report documents the balance in the Sport Tourism Grant Program based on an assumption that Council will approve the recommendations of this report.

CONCLUSION

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Department and the Finance Department recommend that Council approve 18 Sport Tourism Grants totaling \$64,700 and the recommended Program improvements to improve efficiencies regarding the process to award grant funding to organizations to support event hosting in Surrey.

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Appendix "I": Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines (updated September 2021) Appendix "II" Amended Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines (updated March 2023)

Appendix "III": Corporate Report No Ro61; 2015

Appendix "IV": 2023 Sport Tourism Grant Program Funding Recommendations

Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines

Updated September 2021

- 1. Funding will be considered to support sporting events being held in the City of Surrey with participants staying in local accommodation.
- 2. Grants are intended to offset the cost of facility rentals for the purpose of the sporting event. Grants will not be provided to cover deficits or on-going operating costs. Grants will be distributed within the following guidelines.

	Maximum amount
Provincial	\$3,000
Western Canada	\$4,000
National	\$5,000
International	\$5,000

Where a grant is awarded, 100% of the grant amount will be forwarded to the applicant once Council has approved the grant and once the event and final report are completed. The report must demonstrate that the sporting event for which the grant was awarded has been fully and properly completed.

Major National and International events with a significant bid/funding commitment and economic impact will be presented to Council for consideration through the annual operating budget, i.e., BC Summer Games, 55+ Games, Swim Canada Nationals etc.

3. Applicants must submit their application to the Manager of Support Services at sportsurrey@surrey.ca no later than two months prior to the actual event date

Requests for grants will be considered two times per year in March and September. Requests received between these times may be considered for funding if the requirement for the grant was not reasonably foreseeable prior to the deadline and the requirement for funding is critical to the implementation of the organization's event.

- 4. Criteria for Grant Eligibility:
 - a) The Sporting Event must be sanctioned by the appropriate, recognized organization (PSO, NSO, International Federation (IF), etc. if applicable;
 - Sport Event must be at the provincial, western Canadian, national, international, or invitational level;
 - c) Event must take place within the City of Surrey and be sponsored by local organizations and have direct local economic impact, e.g., Surrey room night counts;
 - d) Grant applications for the same event multiple years in a row must demonstrate significant growth of the event. Priority will be given to grants for new events in their initial years to help them become established.

- e) Grants for annual recurring events in the same location each year may be considered for funding
- f) Applicants must submit a completed application form including all requested additional supporting documents and information;
- g) More favorable consideration may be given to sport events that are outside the main tourism season and are held mid- week. Events for one day will be considered, however, events taking place over two or more consecutive days will be given higher priority;
- h) Request must be made in advance of the event (no retro-active requests);
- i) The organization shall show evidence that it has fully explored all other viable sources of financial support;
- j) The organization must submit an evaluation of the use of the grant and feedback on the event hosting experience within 30 days of event completion, this will initiate the final payment of the grants funds;
- k) The organization must not view the grant as an automatic ongoing source of funding.
- l) Previous grant recipients must have submitted final reports from past events to be eligible for future grants.
- m) Grant applications will only be considered if the organization has cleared all outstanding balances from previous events.
- n) In the case of event cancellation, repayment of the grant will be required.

GUIDELINES FOR GRANT PRIORITIES

The following factors will be used to determine priorities for allocating grants to eligible applicants:

- 1. The magnitude of event: how many days, number of room nights, what age group, type of sport, number of out-of-town visitors, cost of facility rental, level of competition etc.
- 2. Does the event advance Surrey's profile as a Sport Hosting City or diversify the hosting portfolio?
 - What is the level of the event?
 - Has the event been held before?
 - Are the similar events happening this year?
 - Does the event showcase existing City of Surrey facilities?
 - Is there media exposure?
- 3. How will Surrey residents be impacted by the hosting of this event?
 - Is there community support?
 - How much facility use/schedule disruption?
 - Are there spectator opportunities for Surrey residents?
 - Are there volunteer opportunities for Surrey residents?
- 4. The quality and history of the organization's administration and management:
 - Is the organization well-known to Surrey residents for their service?
 - What are the overall financial conditions of the event?
 - Will the lack of City funding result in the cancellation of the event?
 - Have all other funding options been investigated?
- 5. The appropriateness, effectiveness, and quality of delivery of the event:
 - How well will it be organized?
 - Will there be coordination with other organizations, which might be interested or affected?

Has the organization previously demonstrated success with a similar undertaking?

PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING GRANT REQUESTS

- 1. Applicants must submit a grant application to sportsurrey@surrey.com on the prescribed form, not later two months prior to the actual event date to be considered for funding.
- 2. A Sport Tourism Grant Committee, consisting of a staff representative from Finance, Parks Recreation and Culture, and Discover Surrey, will review all grant applications to ensure completeness and to ensure grant eligibility as specified by the program.
- 3. The Sport Tourism Grant Committee will (after consultation as they deem necessary with the grant applicants) submit to Council, a list of all grant applications along with recommended grant allocations.
- 4. Council will review the recommendations of the Sport Tourism Grant Committee and may request additional information or request to hear delegations. The approved grants shall be subject to final confirmation by Council after all appeals have been dealt with.
- 5. The Manager of Support Services shall notify all applicants, of Council's initial decision, and shall advise them of the Appeal Procedure. Applicants shall be advised that grant amounts are subject to final confirmation by Council after all appeals have been dealt with.
- 6. The Sport Tourism Grant Committee shall be responsible for ensuring that all organizations that are approved for a grant, submit an evaluation report on the use of the grant funds upon completion of the event.

PROCEDURE FOR GRANT APPEALS

Appeals of Council's decisions will be considered only in instances where additional grant funds are required to prevent unforeseen circumstances which could result in employee lay-offs or threaten the financial well-being or implementation of the organization's event, or where significant new information will be presented which was not available during the grants review process.

Organizations must notify the City Clerk in writing, within 14 days from the date that the grant notifications were e-mailed, that they wish to appeal Council's decision. The grant applicants must give a clear explanation of why they feel they qualify for an appeal. The appeal request will be presented to Council for a decision on whether the appeal will be considered, and the applicant shall be notified accordingly.

If the appeal is not successful, that organization may not reapply for funding of the same service in the same funding year.

PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING LATE GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant applications received between intakes will be referred to the Sport Tourism Grant Committee for the following action:

- (a) If the requirement for grant funds was not reasonably foreseeable two months prior to the actual event date, and if the requirement for immediate funding is critical to the implementation of the organization's event, then the Sport Tourism Grant Committee may review the grant application.
- (b) The Sport Tourism Grant Committee may only approve grants up to \$4000 between the two intakes. If a grant is approved, it will be reflected on the next report to Council. If the Sport Tourism Grant Committee believes that the grant application does not qualify for consideration, then the Committee shall advise the grant applicant in writing that they do not qualify for consideration, but that they may reapply the following year. The applicant shall be advised that they may appeal this action of the Committee by requesting the City Clerk in writing to refer their application directly to Council, and by explaining why they should receive special late consideration for a grant. The appeal will be forwarded to Council for consideration, along with a recommendation from the Sport Tourism Grant Committee.

PROCEDURE FOR SETTING A GLOBAL GRANTS BUDGET

Prior to September 30th of each year, the Sport Tourism Grant Committee shall review the present year's budget, consult with larger ongoing grant recipients as necessary, and then submit a recommended global grants budget to the City Manager. The City Manager shall review the recommendation and include a Global Grants Budget amount in the preparation of the Annual Financial Plan.

Sport Tourism Grant Program Guidelines Updated March 30, 2023

General Information

- 1. Funding is intended to support sporting events being held in the City of Surrey with participants staying in local accommodation.
- 2. Grants are intended to offset the cost of facility rentals for the purpose of the sporting event only and will not be provided to cover deficits or on-going operating costs.
- 3. Grants will be distributed within the following guidelines:

Event Location	Maximum Value
Provincial	\$3,000
Western Canada	\$4,000
National	\$5,000
International	\$5,000

- 4. Where a grant is awarded, 100% of the grant amount will be forwarded to the applicant once the General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture and the General Manager of Finance has approved the grant and once the event and final report are completed.
- 5. Major national and international events with a significant bid/funding commitment and economic impact will be presented to Council for consideration through the annual operating budget, i.e., BC Summer Games, 55+ Games, Swim Canada Nationals etc.
- 6. Applicants must submit their application to Sport Surrey at sportsurrey@surrey.ca no later than two months prior to the actual event date.
- 7. Requests for grants will be considered on an ongoing basis. Requests received outside these intake periods may be considered for funding if:
 - a. The requirement for the grant was not reasonably foreseeable prior to the deadline; and
 - b. The requirement for funding is critical to the implementation of the organization's event.

Criteria for Grant Eligibility

- 1. The Sporting Event must be sanctioned by the appropriate, recognized organization (PSO, NSO, International Federation (IF), etc. if applicable.
- 2. Sport Event must be at the provincial, western Canadian, national, international, or invitational level.
- 3. Events must take place within the City of Surrey and be sponsored by local organizations and have direct local economic impact, e.g., Surrey room night counts.
- 4. Grant applications for the same event multiple years in a row must demonstrate significant growth of the event. Priority will be given to new events in their initial years to help them become established.
- Grants for annual recurring events in the same location each year may be considered for funding.
- 6. Applicants must submit a completed application form including all requested additional supporting documents and information.
- 7. More favorable consideration may be given to sport events that are outside the main tourism season and are held mid-week. Events for one day will be considered, however, events taking place over two or more consecutive days will be given higher priority.
- 8. Requests must be made in advance of the event (no retroactive requests).

- 9. The organization shall show evidence that it has fully explored all other viable sources of financial support.
- 10. The organization must submit an evaluation of the use of the grant and feedback on the event hosting experience within 30 days of event completion, this will initiate the payment of the grant's funds.
- 11. The organization must not view the grant as an automatic ongoing source of funding.
- 12. Previous grant recipients must have submitted final reports from past events to be eligible for future grants.
- 13. Grant applications will only be considered if the organization has cleared all outstanding balances from previous events.
- 14. In the case of event cancellation, repayment of the grant will be required.

Guidelines for Grant Priorities

The following factors will be used to determine priorities for allocating grants to eligible applicants:

- 1. The magnitude of event:
 - a. Number many days
 - b. Number of room nights
 - c. What age group
 - d. Type of sport
 - e. Number of out-of-town visitors
 - f. Cost of facility rental
 - g. Level of competition etc.
- 2. Does the event advance Surrey's profile as a Sport Hosting City or diversify the hosting portfolio?
 - a. What is the level of the event?
 - b. Does the event showcase existing City of Surrey facilities?
 - c. Is there media exposure?
- 3. How will Surrey residents be impacted by the hosting of this event?
 - a. Is there community support?
 - b. How much facility use/schedule disruption?
 - c. Are there spectator opportunities for Surrey residents?
 - d. Are there volunteer opportunities for Surrey residents?
- 4. The quality and history of the organization's administration and management:
 - a. Is the organization well known to Surrey residents for their service?
 - b. What are the overall financial conditions of the event?
 - c. Will the lack of City funding result in the cancellation of the event?
 - d. Have all other funding options been investigated?
- 5. The appropriateness, effectiveness, and quality of delivery of the event:
 - a. How well will it be organized?
 - b. Will there be coordination with other organizations, which might be interested or affected?
 - c. Has the organization previously demonstrated success with a similar undertaking?

Procedure for Processing Grant Requests

- 1. Applicants must submit a grant application to sportsurrey@surrey.com on the prescribed form, not later than two months prior to the actual event date to be considered for funding.
- 2. A Sport Tourism Grant Committee, consisting of one staff representative from each of the following: Finance, Parks Recreation and Culture, and Discover Surrey, will review all grant applications to ensure completeness and to ensure grant eligibility as specified by the program.

- 3. The Sport Tourism Grant Committee will review the request and make recommendations to GM of PRC and Finance; GM of PRC and Finance will sign off on requests if supported, and an annual information report will be shared with Council.
- 4. Sport Surrey shall notify all applicants of the Sport Tourism Grant Committee's initial decision and shall advise them of the Appeal Procedure. Applicants shall be advised that grant amounts are subject to final approval by Council after all appeals have been reviewed.
- 5. The Sport Tourism Grant Committee shall be responsible for ensuring that all organizations that are approved for a grant submit an evaluation report on the use of the grant funds upon completion of the event.

Procedure for Grant Appeals

- Appeals of Council's decisions will be considered only in instances where additional grant funds
 are required to prevent unforeseen circumstances which could result in employee lay-offs or
 threaten the financial well-being or implementation of the organization's event, or where
 significant new information will be presented which was not available during the grants review
 process.
- 2. Organizations must notify the City Clerk in writing, within 14 days from the date that the grant notifications were e-mailed, that they wish to appeal Council's decision. The grant applicants must give a clear explanation of why they feel they qualify for an appeal. The appeal request will be presented to Council for a decision on whether the appeal will be considered, and the applicant shall be notified accordingly. If the appeal is not successful, that organization may not reapply for funding of the same service in the same funding year.

Procedure for Processing Late Grant Applications

Grant applications received outside of the intake periods will be referred to the Sport Tourism Grant Committee for the following action:

- 1. If the requirement for grant funds was not reasonably foreseeable two months prior to the actual event date, and if the requirement for immediate funding is critical to the implementation of the organization's event, then the Sport Tourism Grant Committee may review the grant application.
- 2. The Sport Tourism Grant Committee may only approve grants up to \$5000. If a grant is approved, it will be reflected in the next report to Council. If the Sport Tourism Grant Committee believes that the grant application does not qualify for consideration, then the Committee shall advise the grant applicant in writing that they do not qualify for consideration, but that they may reapply the following year. The applicant shall be advised that they may appeal against this action of the Committee by requesting the City Clerk in writing to refer their application directly to Council, and by explaining why they should receive special late consideration for a grant. The appeal will be forwarded to Council for consideration, along with a recommendation from the Sport Tourism Grant Committee.





CORPORATE REPORT

NO: ROGI

COUNCIL DATE: April 27, 2015

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor & Council

DATE: April 13, 2015

FROM:

General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

General Manager, Finance & Technology

FILE: 1850-01

SUBJECT:

Sport Tourism Grant Program

RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department and the Finance and Technology Department recommend that Council approve a Sport Tourism Grant Program as generally described in this report.

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to seek endorsement of a Sport Tourism Grant Program that will be utilized to evaluate requests from community groups for financial support for sport tourism events. The proposed Program is attached as **Appendix I**.

BACKGROUND

Council adopted a Sport Tourism Strategy in 2013. The Strategy was developed to advance Surrey as a leader in the Sport Tourism industry and thereby maximize both economic benefits and sport development opportunities for the residents and businesses in Surrey. The Sport Tourism Strategy is attached as **Appendix** II.

In partnership with Tourism Surrey, the City established the brand "Sport Surrey – Ahead of the Game" to advance the City's Sport Tourism Strategy. Events are considered "Sport Tourism" when participants and spectators are travelling more than 80kms to an event and are staying overnight. By having groups travel and stay in Surrey, numerous economic benefits are experienced by local business which assists in supporting the tax base within the City. In 2013, there were 16,756 room nights booked in Surrey that were directly attributed to sporting events hosted in the City.

A specific example of the economic benefits of hosting an event can be demonstrated by the CCAA Women's Soccer National Champions hosted by Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) in 2013. Sport Surrey in partnership with Destination British Columbia and the Canadian Sport Tourism alliance conducted an economic evaluation of the event. The report indicated that the event generated \$219,048 in Federal, Provincial and Municipal taxes and \$962,874 in industry output.

The Council Initiatives Fund has been used to support various sport hosting initiatives. Since 2009, a total of \$162,240 has been provided to various groups for Sport Tourism related events from Council Initiatives. Each event has been brought forward for Council consideration; funds awarded have ranged from \$1,000 to \$32,500 for single events. There has been a range of 3-6 events brought forward to Council each year. As the pressure on Council Initiative Funds has increased and the City continues to advance the Sport Tourism Strategy, staff is recommending a more formalized process be adopted to evaluate and manage requests.

DISCUSSION

The most common request from community groups is for facility rental costs for their tournaments. Staff recommends that each event be evaluated and provided a percentage of their facility rental costs or requests, based on the "Guidelines for Grant Priorities" outlined in the Program attached as **Appendix I**. The Guidelines include evaluation of the magnitude of the event, number of room nights generated, level of play in tournament, advancement of Surrey's profile, how residents will be impacted and the history of the organizations administration and management.

The Program includes the following guidelines based on the level of the event.

	% of Rental fee	Maximum
	or Request	amount
Provincial	25%	\$3,000
Western Canada	50%	\$4,000
National	100%	\$5,000
International	100%	\$5,000

Major National and International events with a significant bid/funding commitment and economic impact, will be presented to Council for consideration through the annual operating budget. These bids are often submitted years in advance allowing for the opportunity to request financial commitment through the City's annual budgeting process (. i.e. BC Summer Games, 55+ Games, Swim Canada Nationals, 2016 International Softball Federation Women World Softball Championships, etc.)

Once the Program has been approved, staff will develop an application form and evaluation report to be used to collect appropriate information for each event.

FUNDING

Staff recommends that the funding of the Sport Tourism Grants be established as part of the annual budget process. In the 2016 budget process, staff recommends that Council consider establishing a \$50,000 Sport Hosting Grant Fund.

For the remainder of 2015, requests will continue to be brought forward to the Finance Committee requesting funding support from Council Initiatives.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendations of this report are consistent with the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter; more particularly, the following action items of the Charter:

EC2: The City will support and encourage community economic development; SC12: The City will encourage and facilitate volunteerism and participation in community activities.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve the Sport Tourism Grant Program that will be utilized to evaluate requests from community groups for sport hosting grants as generally described in this report.

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Appendix I – Sport Tourism Grant Program

Appendix II - Sport Tourism Strategy

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APPENDIX "IV"

2023 Sport Tourism Grant Program Funding Recommendations

Grant Funding Available:

2023 Approved Budget	\$50,000
Eligible Grant Funding carried over from 2022	\$132,400
Total Available Grant Funding	\$182,400
Total Grants Recommended:	\$64,700
Unallocated Grant Funding Balance:	\$117,700*

^{*}Unallocated funding is retained to support future events.

	Organization/Event	Funding Amount	About the Event
1.	BC School Sports – 2023 BC School Sports 'A' Girls Soccer Provincial Championship	\$1,100	This event will take place May 31 – June 2, 2023 and will bring the top 16 girls soccer team and approx. 375 athletes to Surrey over 3 days where the teams will compete in an elimination draw tournament to determine the provincial school champion.
2.	BC School Sports – AA-AAA Ultimate Provincial Championship 2023	\$1,100	This event brings two ultimate tournaments on the same field of play from May 25-26, 2023. Each tournament will feature 16 teams (approx. 625 athletes) who will compete in a knockout tournament for the Top AA and Top AAA Championship.
3.	British Columbia Rugby Union – BC Rugby Senior Club Finals 2023	\$3,000	This event that took place on April 29, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park. Approx. 2000 participants and their teams competed in a knockout competition leading into the finals where one team was crowned as the league champion.
4.	Canadian Amateur Sport Society – Canada Cup	\$5,000	This event will be held at Softball City in South Surrey from July 7-16, 2023. With over 105 teams (approx. 2000 athletes) participating from outside of the province and outside of the country, there will be a significant increase in tourism in Surrey and the Lower Mainland.
5.	Canadian Amateur Sport Society – Men's and Master Men's Canadian Championships	\$5,000	This event will take place at Softball City in South Surrey from August 30 – September 3, 2023 and will showcase the top Men's teams (approx. 250 athletes) from across Canada and will bring in an influx of athletes and their families travelling to Surrey for this tournament.
6.	Climbing Escalade Canada - Youth Boulder Regionals (Western)	\$3,000	This event was held at the Hive, an indoor climbing gym from April 22-23, 2023 and drew approx. 250 athletes coming from as far as Saskatchewan for this regional event.
7.	Cloverdale Minor Hockey Association – BC Hockey U13 Tier 1 Championship	\$3,000	This event was held March 17-22, 2023 at Surrey Sport and Leisure Complex which attracted approx. 130 athletes who represented the district winners of each division and category in British Columbia.

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8	Heavy Dinkers Pickleball Club – Super Senior Slam Pickleball Tournament	\$2,500	This tournament will be held from August 4-6, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park and will bring approx. 500 athletes out along with avid pickleball spectators to witness this growing sport.
9.	Ocean Athletics Track & Field Canada - BC Cross Country Championships	\$2,000	This event will be held on October 21, 2023 at Crescent Park and will bring out approximately 600 athletes with 90% coming from outside of Surrey and more than 200 travelling from outside of the Lower Mainland.
10.	Surrey Orcas Water Polo Club – 15U Western Championships	\$4,000	This event will take place from May 3-6, 2024 at the Guildford Recreation Centre and will draw approximately 400 athletes to the facility including teams from across Western Canada from provinces such as Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and BC.
11.	Surrey Orcas Water Polo Club – West Coast Invitational	\$4,000	This event is being held November 17-19, 2023 at Guildford Recreation Centre and will attract approximately 200 athletes who will be attending from BC, Alberta, and Washington.
12.	World Round-Up Productions – The World Freestyle Round-Up Skateboarding Championships	\$5,000	This event will be held May 19-22, 2023 at the Cloverdale Curling Rink during the Cloverdale Rodeo & Country Fair with approx. 50 to 65 athletes participating who are the world's top Professional and Amateur freestyle skateboarders. The event will also have the capacity for international participation via their live stream participation category.
13.	Vancouver Goalball Club – 2023 VGC Surrey Goalball Grand Slam	\$5,000	This event was held from March 10-12, 2023 at the Pacific Academy. Approximately 80 athletes came out to play this paralympic sport and stayed at the Guildford Sheraton Hotel. Blind athletes showcased their talent, their determination, and their drive. As a result, the City of Surrey is continuing to have increased recognition as being a leader in Para-Sport and disability initiatives.
14.	E11even Management – 2023 Premier Spring Showcase	\$5,000	This event was held from April 7-9, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park where approximately 3000 soccer players participated in this annual soccer tournament. This is part of one of the largest tournament/event series in Canada for soccer and brings Surrey significant business revenue and sport tourism initiatives.
15.	Eneven Management - Premier Spring Cup	\$3,000	This event will be held June 17-18, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park, Newton Athletic Park, Cloverdale Athletic Park, and Hjorth Road Park and will bring out approximately 3000 soccer players with many teams travelling from out of town. The tournament will bring a high level of competition focussing on the sport and tourism/travel opportunities for Surrey.
16.	E11even Management - Premier International Cup	\$5,000	This event will be held from September 1-2, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park, Newton Athletic Park, Cloverdale Athletic Park, and Hjorth Road Park with approximately 12,000 soccer players competing, making this the biggest tournament/event series in Canada for soccer. This tournament will bring Surrey significant business revenue and sport tourism initiatives.

17.	Eueven Management	\$5,000	This event is taking place over Thanksgiving weekend on October
	- Premier Cup		6-9, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic Park, Newton Athletic Park, and
			Cloverdale Athletic Park with approximately 3000 soccer players of
			various ages participating in one of the largest tournament/event
			series in Canada for soccer which will bring Surrey significant
			business revenue and sport tourism initiatives.
18.	Eneven Management	\$3,000	This event will be held May 20-22, 2023 at South Surrey Athletic
	- Coastal Spring		Park, Newton Athletic Park, Cloverdale Athletic Park, and Hjorth
	Classic		Road Park with approximately 4000 athletes ranging from ages 8-
			18 participating in this multi-day tournament which will bring
			multiple teams from out of town who will stay in Surrey's hotels,
			eat at local restaurants, and shop in Surrey.
	Total	\$64,700	

Not Recommended for Funding:

Funding declined on the grounds that a) proposed activities are ineligible under the Sport Tourism Grant Guidelines, b) proposed initiative offers very limited community benefit to merit funding; and/or c) proposed initiative lacks feasibility.

- 1. Last Man Stands Canada DEI Foundation
- 2. Cloverdale Skating Club