

Frequently Asked Questions



Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund

Can clubs apply directly to Sport NZ?

No applications must be submitted directly to a Regional Sports Trust (RST). Application details will be available on your local RST website from 10am, 11 May.

How do we apply?

All applications must be submitted through your local RST. Each region will have a different application process so please check on their website. A list of these websites can be found below.

How much can we apply for?

Local clubs/associations (with individual members) can apply for up to \$1,000.

Regional organisations (with member organisations) can apply for up to \$40,000.

Will we miss out if we take longer to apply, e.g. because we are waiting to complete our financial statements?

Possibly. Applications will be assessed as they are received. If the total amount allocated to your RST is exhausted through successful applications before you submit your application, there will be no more money available and your application will not be assessed.

We want to develop new programmes or events while we are in lockdown (or alert levels), so that we can have better options available for participants later in the year. Can we use the fund for this?

No. The Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund is specifically to help support organisations that are facing financial hardship due to the impact of COVID-19.

We will have a Physical Activity Fund available later in the year. Details of this are still being worked through. However, it is likely this fund may help with certain programmes or events. Keep an eye on our channels for more information on this so you can consider whether your new programmes or events might align to the criteria.

Can we get help to prepare a budget?

Regional Organisations must attach a budget to their application. We recommend that you contact your national organisation if you need help preparing a budget.

If you are a Māori organisation without a national body. Please contact the Sport NZ Rautaki Māori Team at Moana-Lee.Raihaniana@sportnz.org.nz they will link you with an organisation who can help.

Can we apply if we're able to pay our bills now, but forecast that we probably won't be able to pay our bills after September 2020?

No. This Fund is to help reduce the immediate effects of the impact of COVID-19 on organisations. We are unsure what the effects will be in September and how cash flow for clubs will be affected.

Can any member of the club/organisation submit the application?

Yes, but this person must be authorised to submit the application on behalf of your organisation. Your application must include the name of an official who takes responsibility for the organisation's application, such as the Treasurer or Chair Person. You must only submit one application per club.

Do our financial statements need to be audited?

Only if you normally present audited financial statements at your AGM. If your organisation is required to have audited financial statements for other reasons, you should provide the most recently available audited financial statements with your application. If your financial statements are not normally audited, that's fine too, just provide the most recent available accounts.

What financial year should our budget cover?

Applications from regional organisations must include a budget for the current financial year. For example: if your year end is 31 March, the budget must be for the 12 months to 31 March 2021. If your year end is 30 June, the budget must be for the 12 months to 30 June 2020.

If my organisation's region or zone spans multiple RSTs, who do I apply via?

You may only apply to the RST for the region that covers your organisation's registered address. For example if your region is the top half of the North Island and your registered address is Whangarei, you would apply to Sport Northland. If you would like to clarify this for your individual scenario, feel free to email us on crf@sport.org.nz

When will I receive the money?

We know your need for funding is urgent. If your application is successful, you will receive the money within two weeks of your application being assessed.

Do we need to provide evidence of the bills we've paid with money received from the fund?

Sport NZ will undertake random checks, by contacting successful applicants in the year to ask for evidence of how the money was used. You do not need to send evidence to your RST.

List of Regional Sports Trusts

Active – Auckland Sport and Recreation www.aktive.org.nz

Sport Bay of Plenty www.sportbop.co.nz

Sport Canterbury – Canterbury/West Coast www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

Sport Gisborne www.sportgisborne.org.nz

Sport Hawke's Bay www.spothb.net.nz

Sport Manawatu www.sportmanawatu.org.nz

Sport Northland www.sportnorthland.co.nz

Sport Otago www.sportotago.co.nz

Sport Southland www.sportsouthland.co.nz

Sport Taranaki www.sporttaranaki.org.nz

Sport Tasman www.sporttasman.org.nz

Sport Waikato www.sportwaikato.org.nz

Sport Whanganui www.sportwhanganui.co.nz

Sport Wellington www.sportwellington.org.nz