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# More than \$1.4 million in sport and recreation funding announced

The Government of Yukon, in partnership with the Yukon Lottery Commission and Sport Canada, is supporting Yukon's sport and recreation community with over \$1.4 million in funding.

Twenty-six sport organizations and five recreation groups will receive financial support through the Yukon Recreation Advisory Committee (YRAC) program, while sport organizations will also receive grants through the Yukon Sport 4 Life (YS4L) program

Thirty-one athletes and five officials will receive funding through the High Performance program, including Nadia Moser (biathlon), Dylan Cozens (hockey), Jack Amos (athletics), and Rennes Lindsay (swimming).

Recipients of the Elite Athlete program include cross country skiers Knute Johnsgaard, Dahria Beatty and Emily Nishikawa, who will all compete at next year's Olympics.

#### Quotes

"Investing in sports makes for healthy Yukoners and vibrant communities. We are proud to support Yukon's many athletes, coaches, officials and sport and recreation organizations with this annual funding. It's important that Yukoners and Yukon communities have opportunities to grow through participation in sport, recreation and active living."

-Minister of Community Services John Streicker

### **Quick facts**

- The Elite Athlete program provides support to athletes who are competing at the highest level of their sport.
- The High Performance program helps athletes advance their athletic development and training.
- Sport and recreation funding of \$1.3 million in 2016 helped local organizations prepare for attendance at this year's North American Indigenous Games and Canada Summer Games.

## See backgrounder.

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#### 2017-18 Sport and Recreation Funding by Funding Program

| YRAC    | YS4L   |
|---------|--|
| 20,000  | 12,500   |
| 10,500  | 12,000   |
| 36,000  | 22,000   |
| 21,440  | 12,000   |
| 12,000  | 10,000   |
| 10,000  | 8,000  |
| 110,000 | 61,000   |
|         | 20,000<br>10,500<br>36,000<br>21,440<br>12,000 |

| Curling          | 13,000  | 4,000   |
|------------------|---------|---------|
| Cycling          | 11,000  | 5,000   |
| Equine           | 11,000  | 2,375   |
| Figure Skating   | 19,000  | 24,500  |
| Freestyle Skiing | 22,000  | 22,000  |
| Golf             | 9,000   | 5,000   |
| Gymnastics       | 38,000  | 29,500  |
| Hockey           | 70,000  | 44,000  |
| Judo             | 24,000  | 13,500  |
| Orienteering     | 13,000  | 4,175   |
| Shooting         | 7,500   |         |
| Snowboarding     | 20,800  | 14,500  |
| Soccer           | 93,000  | 49,000  |
| Speed Skating    | 14,000  | 13,000  |
| Squash           | 18,000  | 12,200  |
| Swimming         | 50,000  | 40,000  |
| Synchro Swimming | 15,000  | 5,750   |
| Table Tennis     | 9,200   | 7,000   |
| Tennis           | 19,000  |         |
| Volleyball       | 43,000  | 22,000  |
| Total            | 739,440 | 455,000 |

| Special Recreation Groups          |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Girl Guides                        | 19,000 |
| Scouts                             | 20,000 |
| Skookum Jim's                      | 65,000 |
| ElderActive Recreation Association | 30,000 |
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| Friends/Mt Sima | 30,320  |
|-----------------|---------|
| Total Rec       | 164,320 |

| High Performance 17-18  |                      |         |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Athlete                 | Sport                | Funding |
| Natalie Hynes           | Cross Country Skiing | 7,00    |
| Nadia Moser             | Biathlon             | 7,00    |
| Marcus Deuling          | Cross Country Skiing | 5,000   |
| Etienne Geoffroy-Gagnon | Freestyle Skiing     | 5,00    |
| Dylan Cozens            | Hockey               | 4,000   |
| Hannah Deuling          | Cross Country Skiing | 4,000   |
| Mikayla Kramer          | Figure Skating       | 3,500   |
| Jack Amos               | Athletics            | 3,000   |
| Derek Deuling           | Cross Country Skiing | 3,000   |
| Rennes Lindsay          | Swimming             | 3,000   |
| Cassis Lindsay          | Swimming             | 2,750   |
| Bryce Anderson          | Hockey               | 2,500   |
| Kyron Crosby            | Hockey               | 2,500   |
| Ethan Davy              | Snowboarding         | 2,500   |
| Jake Draper             | Biathlon             | 2,500   |
| Joseph Hanson           | Soccer               | 2,500   |
| Hannah Kingscote        | Swimming             | 2,500   |
| Maddie Nicholson        | Hockey               | 2,500   |
| Miguel Rodden           | Freestyle Skiing     | 2,500   |
| Amanda Thomson          | Cross Country Skiing | 2,500   |
| Gavin Mckenna           | Hockey               | 2,000   |
| Mael Pronovost          | Canoe / Kayak        | 2,000   |

| Lily Witten                             | Gymnastics    | 2,000  |
|---|---------------|--------|
| Emily King                              | Gymnastics    | 1,750  |
| Caelan McLean                           | Orienteering  | 1,500  |
| Brett Walchuk                           | Hockey        | 1,500  |
| Bianca Berko-Malvasio                   | Gymnastics    | 1,000  |
| Leif Blake                              | Orienteering  | 1,000  |
| Micah Taggaet-Cox                       | Speed Skating | 1,000  |
| Aidan Hupe                              | Biathlon      | 750    |
| Veronica Porter                         | Biathlon      | 750    |
| Money for Attending World Championships |               | 3,000  |
| Athletes Total                          |               | 88,000 |

| Officials         |                      |        |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Chabot Claude     | Cross Country Skiing | 1,000  |
| Tony Gaw          | Yukon Soccer         | 1,000  |
| Lynda Harlow      | Freestyle Sking      | 1,000  |
| Carrie McClelland | Figure Skating       | 1,000  |
| Cynthia Onions    | Speedskating         | 1,000  |
| Officials Total   |                      | 5,000  |
| GRAND TOTAL       |                      | 93,000 |

| Elite Athletes   |                       |        |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Knute Johnsgaard | Cross Country Skiing  | 11,500 |
| Dahria Beatty    | Cross Country Skiing  | 11,500 |
| Emily Nishikawa  | Cross Country Skiing  | 11,500 |
| Jessica Frotten  | Paralympics Athletics | 11,500 |
| GRAND TOTAL      |                       | 46,000 |

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