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City will award \$118,000+ to local organizations through recreation and sport grant

(Barrie, ON) – Fifteen Barrie-based organizations will receive a share of more than \$118,000 in funding through the City's 2023 Recreation and Sport Community Grant. Applications were evaluated by a panel and all panel members independently evaluated each application using a scoring matrix.

Organizations will be awarded funding in one of two categories: programming/events to support new or innovative recreation and sport opportunities, or capital improvement projects. The list of organizations that will receive funding, the amount each will receive and the purpose of the funding follows.

Capital improvement projects:

Applicant	Amount	Purpose
Barrie Housing	\$25,000	Accessible playground features.
Kempfenfelt Bay Wrestling Club	\$20,000	Competition-level wrestling mats.
Barrie Rowing Club	\$9,342	Workout and conditioning space improvements (rubber gym flooring).
Barrie and District Girls Softball Association	\$6,756	Improved equipment (catcher's equipment, bow nets).
Bombers Jr. C Lacrosse Club	\$2,500	Equipment purchase (safety equipment).

Programming and events:

Applicant	Amount	Purpose
Barrie Elites Volleyball Club	\$11,374	Mental health training program for athletes and advanced training program equipment purchase.
Barrie Trojan Swim Club	\$9,375	Re-launch of Masters swim program.
Firebird Community Cycle	\$8,925	Bicycle repair clinics and giveaway program.
Barrie Disc Golf Club	\$8,000	Launch programs geared towards beginners, youth and women.
Barrie Futsal Club	\$4,217	Replace outdated and damaged equipment for training programs.
Down Syndrome Association of Simcoe County	\$3,721	Develop Club 21 Programming (focused around social and recreational opportunities for community members).
Barrie Pickleball Club	\$3,286	Pilot a youth instructional program.
Barrie Cycling Club	\$2,541	Support course construction and First Aid/Medical Services at the Barrie Baseball Cross Cyclocross Race.
Living Green Barrie	\$2,300	Support the execution of <i>Ride Your Bike Day</i> (on-site first aid, water filling stations, music and entertainment).
Barrie District Stamp Club	\$687	Guest speakers (professional development training).



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"The successful applications represent a wide cross-section of recreational and sport activities designed to engage Barrie residents in various ways with the end result of improving overall health and well-being," says Dan Bell, Director, Recreation & Culture Services.

The City is planning an additional intake period for the 2023 program in late summer, for fall and winter initiatives.

For additional information on the application evaluation process, visit barrie.ca/CommunityGrant.

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