



**GIVE A
KID A GO!**

**Regional Student
Sport Fund**

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Introduction

The Give a Kid a Go Fund provides funding for selected students (5 -19 years). The purpose of this fund is to provide financial support to ensure young people do not miss out on opportunities to be involved in local sport due to the cost required to participate.

The fund will be managed by Sport Whanganui on behalf of community partners. These guidelines apply to the allocation of the fund covering the period from 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025.

Background

A chance meeting in 2023 at a park opening with a local sport enthusiast led to the creation of the Give a Kid a Go Fund. His wish was to ensure that young people were not excluded from the opportunity to play sport due to the increased costs associated with participating in local competitions.

The Give a Kid a Go Fund, a name given to the fund by the founder, has been established to support 5-to-19-year-olds to stay involved in sport.

The guidelines for the Give a Kid a Go Fund have been designed with the needs of 5-to-19-year-olds in mind, with 100% of the fund going to support young people who need support to pay local sports fees to participate in sport across the Whanganui, Ruapehu and Rangitikei Districts.

Purpose

The purpose of the Give a Kid a Go Fund is to provide financial support to 5-to-19-year-olds so they can remain engaged and actively participating in local sport opportunities and experiences for our regional communities (Ruapehu, Rangitikei and Whanganui).

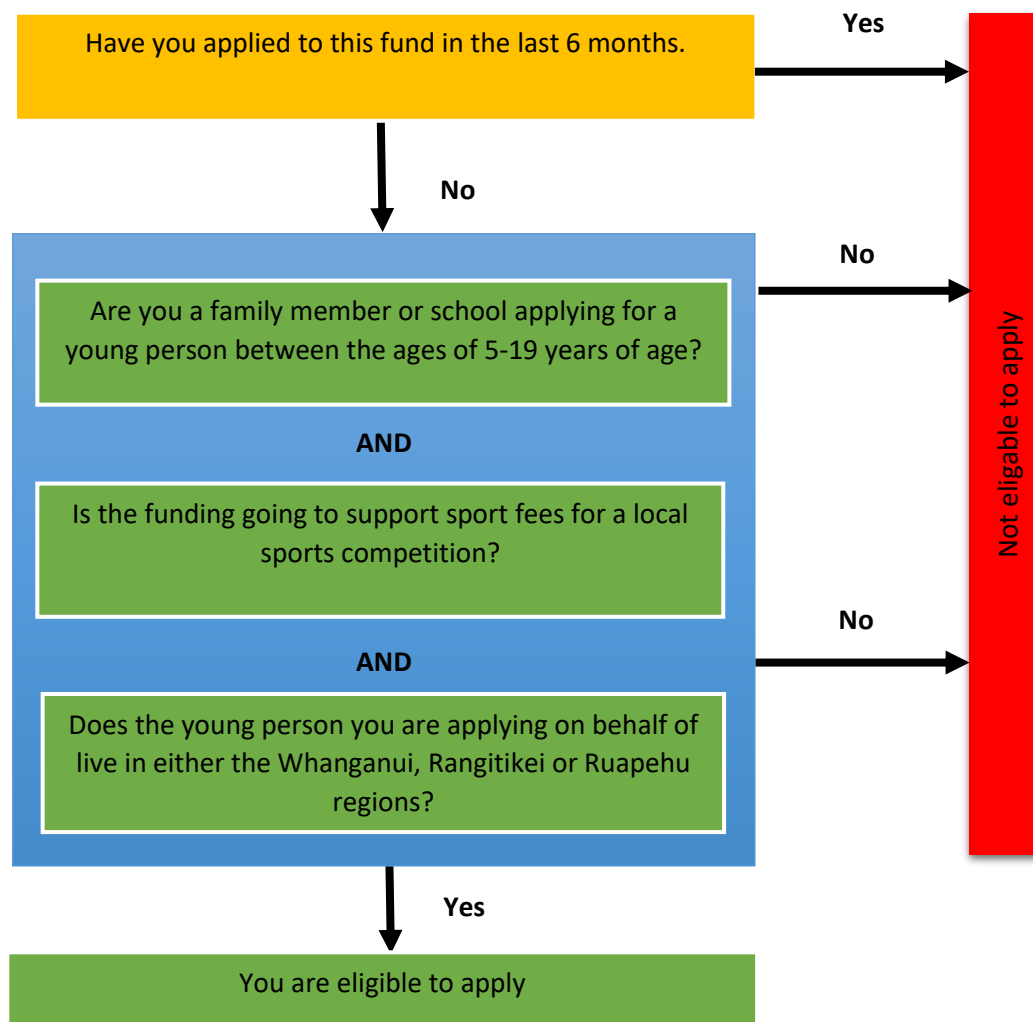
We welcome applications from:

- Schools
- Families

that have a young person that requires financial support to cover local sports fees that will allow them to join or remain in their chosen activity.

Who can apply?

Please use the diagram below to test your eligibility.



Who cannot apply?

The following are not eligible to apply:

- National or regional sports organisations. Professional or high-performance sports organisations. Please visit the Sport Whanganui website for more information about the Mitre 10 MEGA Whanganui Future Champions Trust for international representation funding: <https://www.sportwhanganui.co.nz/funding>.

- Anyone who has applied for this funding in the last 6 months (individuals can only apply twice in a 12-month period, one per sports season).
- Any schools or families located outside the Whanganui, Ruapehu and Rangitīkei Districts.

What can be funded?

This is a sport fund for students aged 5-19 years to help cover sports fees associated with participation in a local sport competition. Sport related costs include:

- Club/School sports registration or participation fees

What will not be funded?

The fund will not cover:

- Costs that are already funded by other sources.
- Costs associated with high performance athletes or representative fees.
- Costs that are not the responsibility of the athlete to cover (facility maintenance, officials, prizes etc).
- Travel, uniform or equipment costs.
- Participation in events or sports programs outside the Whanganui, Rangitīkei and Ruapehu Districts.

How much can I apply for?

The amount that can be funded will be dependent on what has been generated from community contributions to the fund.

The maximum amount any individual can apply for is \$150 per application.

Sport Whanganui will establish any limits on the amounts that can be allocated to each individual dependant on what is available through the fund at the time the application is made.

All applications must be for direct costs incurred by the students and their families that without support would prohibit that young person from participating in their sport.

Funds will be paid directly to the school or club that is charging the local sports related fees.

Application Information

Sport Whanganui have established a simple online application process, this involves applicants:

- Answering some quick questions about the young person and their chosen sport.
- Giving background information about sport related costs required to support them to be or stay involved in sport.

Sport Whanganui have staff who can support you to complete this application process.

How to Apply

Three Trustees have been appointed to administer the fund on behalf of the community partners. Trustees will lead the application, distribution, and reporting requirements for this fund in partnership with Sport Whanganui.

Visit the Sport Whanganui website for the application information and to apply. If you are ready to apply, visit the link below to complete the online application form (Microsoft Forms):

<https://bit.ly/giveakidago-apply>

The fund will open for applications from 1st August 2024.

Application Assessment Process

Incomplete or ineligible applications will not be considered.

Eligible applications will be assessed by Trustees in partnership with Sport Whanganui.

An overview of the assessment process is as follows:

- Trustees will assess applications against the assessment criteria and funding available.
- Trustees may contact applicants and, if relevant seek further information about what is required to support the ongoing participation of the young person identified.
- Trustees will advise all applicants by email once their application has been received. This will be followed by a confirmation email, advising applicants whether they have been successful or unsuccessful in securing funding.
- Funds are donations so do not require GST.
- Sport Whanganui will pay allocated funding directly into the school or clubs bank account (organisation charging the fees).
- Reporting requirements will involve a letter or email from the recipient to provide feedback on how the fund supported them and the impact it has had. Photos and videos may also be provided.

Protecting Your Information

Before completing an application, please read the following information regarding Sport Whanganui's obligations in relation to the information you will provide with your application. You should only proceed if you are happy to comply with these requirements.

Official Information Act 1982

The Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) covers how Sport Whanganui must handle OIA requests received by members of the public. Applications for funding are among the documents that can be requested under the OIA. The general expectation, as expressed by the Chief Ombudsman, is for official information to be

released (in response to a request), unless there are clear grounds to withhold it. Personal information provided with your application will not be released.

If you consider that some of the information provided in your application is 'commercial in confidence' this information should be clearly marked in your application.

If you would like further information on the OIA, please refer to the following website:

Ombudsman webpage: <https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/what-ombudsman-can-help/requests-official-information>

Privacy Act 1993

The Privacy Act 1993 covers how Sport Whanganui collect and store personal information, including personal information provided with applications for funding, and what procedures are required to protect the security of that information. It also covers how long we can keep personal information, what the personal information can be used for and when it can be disclosed.

We will use the personal information provided by you to conduct appropriate identity checks before any funding can be released.

Personal information can be corrected or updated by the applicant or requested at any time from Sport Whanganui.

For further information on the Privacy Act, please refer to the Privacy Commissioner website: <https://www.privacy.org.nz/>

Accuracy of your information

It is the responsibility of the primary applicant to ensure that all information contained in the application is accurate. If you provide false or inaccurate information in your application or at any point in the process, and fraud is identified, we will provide details to fraud prevention agencies. You must undertake to inform all Directors, Trustees and Committee members of this notice.

Further Information

If you need further guidance throughout the application process, or experience any technical difficulties submitting your application, please contact Sport Whanganui at: info@sportwhanganui.co.nz

Application Form Guidance

We recommend that you review all questions carefully and make notes before you start the application process, to make sure you have all the information you need before you begin.

Applications cannot be saved for working on later - an email will be sent to you confirming your application has been received.

Full Application Information

About the applicant

1. Name (applicant).
2. Relationship to the young person
3. Applicants contact details. This must include a contact email and phone number.

Young Persons Information

1. Young person's name (recipient).
2. Recipients date of birth.
3. What sport is the recipient wishing to play?
4. How long has the recipient been involved in the sport/activity?
5. What are the barriers associated with the recipient playing their chosen sport?
6. What amount are you applying for?
7. What will the funds be used for? (These must be sport-related costs only, see above guidelines).
8. When do you require the funds by?

9. Acknowledgement of fund related requirements.

Conditions of Application

1. I confirm that I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of the young person and that their parents/caregivers are aware of and support this application.
2. I will comply with the requirements set out in the "Protecting your information" section of the "Give it a Go Fund Guidelines 2024-2025" and have advised the young person and their family of the information in that section.
3. I confirm that information in this application is correct, and that any amount we receive because of this application will be used solely for the purpose specified in this application.
4. I acknowledge that Sport Whanganui has the right to audit the information provided in this application and the use of any funds granted. I will provide full cooperation in the event of such an audit being undertaken.