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**May 6-11** Canadian Artistic Swimming Championships at Canada Games Aquatics Centre

**May 25-26** FireFit Regional Championships in conjunction with the Spring BrewLoops Block Party

**July 1** Canada Day Celebrations at Riverside Park

## 2018 TOURNAMENT CAPITAL STATISTICS

**108** events  
**32,552** out of town participants  
**\$14,045,805** economic impact

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*By Bob Smillie, Executive Director*

## KAMLOOPS SPORTS legacyfund

This year's edition of the Kamloops Sports Legacy Fund Annual Report is published in conjunction with the Fund's 11th allocation of grants.

The original \$7.5 million fund resulted from the sale of the Kamloops Blazers Hockey Club franchise in 2007 and a contribution with the dissolution of the Blazers Foundation in 2008.

The Society has operated independently from the Kamloops Blazers Hockey Club since the sale, but has dedicated the Sports Legacy Fund to the history of the community support for the franchise since its inaugural season in 1984.

The first grants were disbursed in 2009. With the completion of the fiscal year, the Fund distributions and investment in the Kamloops and region sport community will reach an accumulated total of \$3.563 million. During this interval, 109 organizations have received grants.

Applications are accepted from October 1st to November 30th of each year and reviewed to evaluate the eligibility of the requests, following which an allocation process is used to determine the direction of grants for the following year.

Community impact reports are submitted by the recipients in the December following the receipt of the funds.

The Annual Report represents the evaluation and confirmation that the grants have been appropriately directed, contributing to the sustainability of the recipient organizations or meeting the expectations outlined in the application process.

It recognizes that the Sports Legacy Fund is a community resource and the reporting commits to the transparency of the allocation process.

The process and an oversight of the Sports Legacy Fund governance structure may be reviewed by accessing the website at [www.kamloopssportslegacyfund.com](http://www.kamloopssportslegacyfund.com). Inquiries are welcomed throughout the year.

The 2019 allocation of \$343,000 is directed to 37 sport organizations. A number of the grants are leveraged or are matched, providing for the completion of capital projects, equipment purchases or coaching support.

A summary of the grant history from 2009 to 2019 is documented within the report.



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ORGANIZATION	GRANT	COMMENTS
Adaptive Sports at Sun Peaks	\$ 5,000	Coaching Development
Barriere Recreation Society	8,000	Capital Project: Building Maintenance
Kamloopa Club	12,100	Capital Projects: Building Maintenance and Site Upgrades
Kamloops Adapted Sport Association	7,000	Equipment: Sport Wheelchairs x2
Kamloops Aquatic Club - Kamloops Classic Swimming	1,835	Equipment: Electronics and Training Equipment
Kamloops Beach Volleyball Club	6,200	Equipment: Net Slider Attachments and Installation
Kamloops Bike Riders Association	17,599	Equipment: Training and Trail Development
Kamloops Blazers Academic Awards	1,200	Academic Awards
Kamloops Broncos Football Club	1,714	Equipment: Field
Kamloops Canoe and Kayak Club	9,000	Equipment: Boat Trailer
Kamloops Collegiate Baseball Society	5,577	Equipment and Bursaries
Kamloops Community Football Society	5,000	Capital Project: Storage Container Upgrades
Kamloops Curling Club	8,193	Equipment: Glass Washer
Kamloops Dragon Boat Club	5,500	Capital Project: Storage Facility Contribution
Kamloops Minor Fastball Association	2,504	Uniforms and Training Equipment
Kamloops Minor Lacrosse Association	7,000	Capital Project: Storage Container
Kamloops Performance Cycling Centre	15,000	Capital Project: Site Lighting Contribution
Kamloops Sunrays Synchronized Swim Club	945	Equipment and iPad
Kamloops Track and Field Club	6,500	Equipment: Laser Pro Distance Measure
Kamloops Tsunami Summer Swim Club	5,000	Equipment: iPad, Pace Clock and Tot Dock
Kamloops Youth Soccer Association	5,000	Coaching Development
KidSport Kamloops Chapter	30,000	Program Funding
KMHA Coaches Conference	5,000	Coaching Development
McArthur Park Lawn Bowling Club	7,000	Equipment: Greens Mower Contribution
PacificSport Interior BC	80,000	Coaching and Travel Support
ProHop Basketball Club	3,268	Equipment and Coaching Certification
Royal Canadian Air Cadets	7,500	Equipment: Biathlon Skate Ski Packages
Senior Table Tennis Activity Club	391	Equipment
Spirit Warriors Society	3,500	Coaching Development
Team Calhoun Curling	2,000	Equipment and Uniforms
Thompson Blazers Major Midgets	5,000	Program Enhancement
Thompson Minor Midgets Hockey Club	5,000	Program Enhancement
Tkemplups te Secwepemc (FNST)	5,000	Equipment
Tournament City Derby Diversified	1,347	Jerseys
TRU Athletic Scholarships	25,000	University Athletic Scholarships: 100% Matched
Wailua Outrigger Canoe Club	15,000	Outrigger Canoes Contribution
Wells Gray Outdoor Club	12,000	Capital Project: Trail Development
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 342,873</b>	

## GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2009-19

ORGANIZATION	2009-2017	2018	2019	TOTAL
2000 Girls Select Soccer	1,250.00	-	-	<b>\$ 1,250.00</b>
Adaptive Sports at Sun Peaks	39,454.37	9,515.78	5,000.00	<b>53,970.15</b>
Ashcroft and District Tennis Association	13,020.00	-	-	<b>13,020.00</b>
Barriere Recreation Society	6,750.95	-	8,000.00	<b>14,750.95</b>
BC Summer Games 60+ Soccer Team	1,664.00	-	-	<b>1,664.00</b>
City Youth Special Needs Hockey Program	2,786.24	-	-	<b>2,786.24</b>
Cierra Fisher Jr. Curling Rink	-	2,000.00	-	<b>2,000.00</b>
Clearwater Youth Soccer Association	3,354.40	-	-	<b>3,354.40</b>
Greater Kamloops BMX	38,039.99	10,000.00	-	<b>48,039.99</b>
Harper Mountain Ski Club	7,000.00	8,831.00	-	<b>15,831.00</b>
Heffley-Rayleigh Slowpitch Association	5,500.00	-	-	<b>5,500.00</b>
Interior Grasslands Cycling Club	2,426.45	-	-	<b>2,426.45</b>
Kamloopa Club	34,057.02	-	12,100.00	<b>46,157.02</b>
Kamloops 2018 BC Winter Games Society	-	13,946.00	-	<b>13,946.00</b>
Kamloops 55+ Curling Club	200.00	-	-	<b>200.00</b>
Kamloops Adapted Sports Association	24,043.00	-	7,000.00	<b>31,043.00</b>
Kamloops Aquatic Club - Kamloops Classic Swimming	67,419.68	14,489.64	1,835.00	<b>83,744.32</b>
Kamloops Badminton Association	5,900.00	-	-	<b>5,900.00</b>
Kamloops Beach Volleyball Club	-	-	6,200.00	<b>6,200.00</b>
Kamloops Bike Riders Association	12,419.71	-	17,599.00	<b>30,018.71</b>
Kamloops Blaze Under 16 Girls Soccer	3,000.00	-	-	<b>3,000.00</b>
Kamloops Blazers Hockey Club Academic Awards	9,600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	<b>12,000.00</b>
Kamloops Canoe and Kayak Club	35,166.02	-	9,000.00	<b>44,166.02</b>
Kamloops Cheerleading Society	31,179.00	2,505.00	-	<b>33,684.00</b>
Kamloops Collegiate Baseball Society	9,400.00	-	5,577.00	<b>14,977.00</b>
Kamloops Collegiate Hockey Society - TRU Wolfpack	42,138.58	-	-	<b>42,138.58</b>
Kamloops Community Football Association	-	12,000.00	5,000.00	<b>17,000.00</b>
Kamloops Curling Club	59,333.94	-	8,193.00	<b>67,526.94</b>
Kamloops Dragon Boat Club	11,311.00	3,883.04	5,500.00	<b>20,694.04</b>
Kamloops Dragon Boat Festival	7,202.29	2,100.00	-	<b>9,302.29</b>
Kamloops Fencing Club	9,376.00	-	-	<b>9,376.00</b>
Kamloops Gymnastics and Trampoline Centre	18,228.20	-	-	<b>18,228.20</b>
Kamloops Heat Soccer Club	5,728.60	-	-	<b>5,728.60</b>
Kamloops Heat Soccer Club Women's Division	3,468.00	-	-	<b>3,468.00</b>
Kamloops Judo Society	25,000.00	-	-	<b>25,000.00</b>
Kamloops Jr. B Rattlers Lacrosse Club	3,250.00	-	-	<b>3,250.00</b>
Kamloops Jr. Blazers Adapted Hockey Team	4,067.84	-	-	<b>4,067.84</b>

## GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2009-19

ORGANIZATION	2009-2017	2018	2019	TOTAL
Kamloops Junior City Golf Championship Society	3,500.00	-	-	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>
Kamloops Junior Football Association (Broncos)	96,009.00	-	1,714.00	<b>97,723.00</b>
Kamloops Long Blades Association	17,165.95	-	-	<b>17,165.95</b>
Kamloops Midget AAA Baseball RiverDogs	5,266.80	-	-	<b>5,266.80</b>
Kamloops Millennium FC	1,250.00	-	-	<b>1,250.00</b>
Kamloops Minor Baseball Association	97,300.00	-	-	<b>97,300.00</b>
Kamloops Minor Fastball Association	4,190.00	1,093.00	2,504.00	<b>7,787.00</b>
Kamloops Minor Lacrosse Association	12,250.00	-	7,000.00	<b>19,250.00</b>
Kamloops Mystix Bantam AAA Hockey - KMHA	1,250.00	-	-	<b>1,250.00</b>
Kamloops Performance Cycling Centre	25,000.00	3,000.00	15,000.00	<b>43,000.00</b>
Kamloops Pickleball Club	30,294.30	-	-	<b>30,294.30</b>
Kamloops River City Racers	13,425.00	-	-	<b>13,425.00</b>
Kamloops Rugby Club	1,000.00	75,000.00	-	<b>76,000.00</b>
Kamloops Sailing Association	15,000.00	-	-	<b>15,000.00</b>
Kamloops Senior Mens' Baseball Society	-	1,810.00	-	<b>1,810.00</b>
Kamloops Skating Club	6,974.30	8,702.68	-	<b>15,676.98</b>
Kamloops Special Olympics	31,597.56	-	-	<b>31,597.56</b>
Kamloops Sports Council	107,000.00	-	-	<b>107,000.00</b>
Kamloops Sports Hall of Fame	90,000.00	-	-	<b>90,000.00</b>
Kamloops Squash Association	2,580.00	-	-	<b>2,580.00</b>
Kamloops Sunrays Synchronized Swimming	11,936.32	3,329.36	945.00	<b>16,210.68</b>
Kamloops Target Sport Association Youth Program	3,323.00	-	-	<b>3,323.00</b>
Kamloops Team Handball Society	1,139.39	-	-	<b>1,139.39</b>
Kamloops Tennis Association	40,000.00	20,000.00	-	<b>60,000.00</b>
Kamloops Therapeutic Riding Association	11,183.27	4,951.04	-	<b>16,134.31</b>
Kamloops Track and Field Club	94,656.22	11,370.00	6,500.00	<b>112,526.22</b>
Kamloops Triathlon Club	8,950.00	3,892.35	-	<b>12,842.35</b>
Kamloops Tsunami Summer Swim Club	21,009.38	-	5,000.00	<b>26,009.38</b>
Kamloops United Soccer Club	1,250.00	-	-	<b>1,250.00</b>
Kamloops Venom Jr. B Lacrosse Team	16,437.23	-	-	<b>16,437.23</b>
Kamloops Waterski Club	9,786.10	-	-	<b>9,786.10</b>
Kamloops Youth Darts	3,424.00	-	-	<b>3,424.00</b>
Kamloops Youth Soccer Association	12,000.00	-	5,000.00	<b>17,000.00</b>
KATTS Competitive Team	5,500.00	-	-	<b>5,500.00</b>
KIBIHT: Kamloops Minor Hockey Association	15,000.00	-	-	<b>15,000.00</b>
KidSport Kamloops Chapter	210,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	<b>270,000.00</b>
KMHA Coaching Conference	45,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	<b>55,000.00</b>

## GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2009-19

ORGANIZATION	2009-2017	2018	2019	TOTAL
Kolle Hockey Dev. Society - Ice Pirates Hockey	13,546.83	-	-	<b>\$ 13,546.83</b>
McArthur Island BMX	2,500.00	-	-	<b>2,500.00</b>
McArthur Island Curling Club	8,085.00	-	-	<b>8,085.00</b>
McArthur Park Lawn Bowling Club	11,076.60	-	7,000.00	<b>18,076.60</b>
Navy League of Canada	17,400	-	-	<b>17,400.00</b>
NorKam Football Booster Club	831.03	-	-	<b>831.03</b>
North Shore Community Carpet Bowlers	2,000.00	-	-	<b>2,000.00</b>
Overlander Ski Club	80,051.18	-	-	<b>80,051.18</b>
Pacific Sport Interior BC (PSI)	715,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	<b>875,000.00</b>
ProHop Basketball Club	-	-	3,268.00	<b>3,268.00</b>
River City Racers Speed Skating club	11,144.63	-	-	<b>11,144.63</b>
River City Squash Organization	2,441.26	-	-	<b>2,441.26</b>
Riverside Lawn Bowling Club	8,600.00	-	-	<b>8,600.00</b>
Royal Canadian Air Cadets	-	-	7,500.00	<b>7,500.00</b>
Senior Table Tennis Activity Club	-	727.99	391.00	<b>1,118.99</b>
Spirit Warriors Society	4,428.52	1,000.00	3,500.00	<b>8,928.52</b>
Sun Peaks Alpine Ski Club	18,700.00	-	-	<b>18,700.00</b>
Sun Peaks Hockey League	1,000.00	-	-	<b>1,000.00</b>
Sun Peaks Nordic Club	27,254.29	-	-	<b>27,254.29</b>
Sun Peaks Shares Kids Program	9,000.00	-	-	<b>9,000.00</b>
Team Brown Curling	4,751.18	-	-	<b>4,751.18</b>
Team Calhoun Curling	-	-	2,000.00	<b>2,000.00</b>
Thompson Blazers Major Midget Hockey Club	48,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	<b>58,500.00</b>
Thompson Minor Midget Hockey Club	-	-	5,000.00	<b>5,000.00</b>
Thompson Nicola Triathlon	1,800.00	-	-	<b>1,800.00</b>
Thompson Okanagan Diving Training Centre	2,320.59	-	-	<b>2,320.59</b>
Thompson Valley FC	1,250.00	-	-	<b>1,250.00</b>
Tk'emlups te Sewepemc (First Nations Snowboard Team)	15,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	<b>25,000.00</b>
Tournament City Derby Diversified	17,710.52	3,382.00	1,347.00	<b>22,439.52</b>
TRU Athletics Program	23,899.11	-	-	<b>23,899.11</b>
TRU Sports Task Force	126,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	<b>176,000.00</b>
Under 17 Select Girls Soccer Team	1,250.00	-	-	<b>1,250.00</b>
Valleyview Skating Club	17,500.00	-	-	<b>17,500.00</b>
Wailua Outrigger Canoe Club	33,119.20	-	15,000.00	<b>48,119.20</b>
Wells Gray Outdoor Club	11,000.00	-	12,000.00	<b>23,000.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,851,543.04</b>	<b>368,728.88</b>	<b>342,873.00</b>	<b>3,563,144.92</b>

## GRANT RECIPIENT HIGHLIGHTS 2019

As outlined, with the completion of the 2019 fiscal year, the sport community accumulated grant total will reach \$3.563 million.

The funds have been well invested and are an opportunity for local organizations to strengthen their capacities and, although remaining focused on fund raising, relieved of some of the pressures of volunteer participation.

The Sports Legacy Fund is unique to Kamloops and the region and it has the fundamentals to operate to perpetuity by way of a diverse managed investment portfolio.

The 2019 grants of \$343,000 include funding for the Kamloops KidSport Chapter of \$30,000, PacificSport Interior BC for \$80,000 and TRU Athletic Scholarships of \$25,000, which have been multi-year commitments as board initiatives and are not part of the Sports Legacy Fund application process.

The PacificSport funding is a matched grant process directed to community coaching, ancillary support and assisted travel grants for athletes attending national

championships and world events. The TRU scholarships are 100% matched by the university.

This year, 33 organizations were selected from the applicants to receive grants totaling \$206,600. This ranges from \$391 for the Senior's Table Tennis Activity Club to \$17,600 funding to the Kamloops Bike Riders Association for mountain biking trail infrastructure development, equipment and certification/training of instructors.

The Kamloops Performance Cycling Centre received \$15,000 as a contribution to the Kamloops Bike Ranch lighting project to complete the support of the Kamloops and region mountain biking community.

Coaching development remains an integral component of the vision of the Sports Legacy Fund.

Receiving \$5,000 grants this year are Adapted Sports at Sun Peaks, Kamloops Youth Soccer Association Association, and the Kamloops Minor Hockey Association Coaches Conference.

The 2019 allocations are listed within the report and include contributions to capital projects and equipment purchases.



The 2018 grants were provided to 31 Kamloops and Region sport organizations for a total allocation of \$383,728. The community impacts review continues to provide the Society a process to evaluate the grants and determine if the funds are well invested and meet the expectations envisioned by the Sports Legacy Fund vision, mission and guiding principles.

The outcomes are reflections by the organizations based on the funding impacts for 2018 and the goal to strengthen their capacities.

### ADAPTIVE SPORTS AT SUN PEAKS (ASSP)

(ASSP) is a volunteer based non-profit society. It acquired registered charitable status in 2013. Established in 2008, ASSP provides athletic and recreational programs to support the physical, mental and emotional well-being of persons with disabilities. The 2018 Legacy Fund grant of \$9,515 supported the instructor certification program.

The goals of Adaptive Sports at Sun Peaks are:

To provide opportunities for people of all ages living with a disability to participate in adaptive snow sports and recreation programs at Sun Peaks Resort;

To provide training and continued development of volunteer instructors to deliver these programs and facilitate a positive and safe experience for participants;

The acquisition, loan and supervision of adaptive equipment for use by participants as well as maintenance and storage of such equipment;

Coordinate fundraising and grant applications necessary to sustain the operation and growth of the program.

### Key highlights from 2018:

- 75% retention rate for volunteer instructors for 2018
- Maintained number of instructors at 52
- Highest number of students – both local and out of town pre-registered since inception
- Logged over 6,000 Volunteer Hours “on snow” over 2018
- Value of Skilled Volunteer Hours (based on \$15 per hour) \$90,000
- 47% of the logged ‘on snow’ hours were used for training and continuing education in 2018
- Three ASSP Instructors began a 12 month Nordic Training program to provide adaptive Nordic lessons
- Continuation of transitioning the Board of Directors to a governance/policy board.

National recognition of the high number of ASSP Instructors with CSA/CASI certification is highly regarded and provides a sought after benchmark for other Adaptive Programs. This reputation is generated by the funding of the Kamloops Sports Legacy Fund Grant.

### 2018 BC WINTER GAMES SOCIETY

The BC Games has taken place in 38 communities and involved over 350,000 participants and volunteers.

In 2018 the Kamloops BC Winter Games celebrated 40 years of sport with the BC Games Society. In Kamloops there were 1768 participants and approximately 1800 volunteers, with an economic spin off of \$1.6 million.

Below is a summary from each sport that received funding from the \$13,946 grant.

Kamloops Gymnastics Trampoline Centre is a member based, not-for-profit, 15,000 square foot athletic facility that inspires enthusiasm for and lifelong involvement in

gymnastics and trampoline by providing positive and diverse programming.

Within KGTC a program no matter the age (14 months -Adult) will be found and a program type that suits all abilities and goals; Active Start Gymnastics for All, Advanced Recreational, Competitive, Specialty Programs such as Parkour, Freestyle.

The Community Access programs are available to schools, home schools, daycares, adaptive resources, community clubs and associations and is even the training home of the TRU Wolfpack Cheer team.

The vault that they received for the BC Games was used by the participants in Artistic Gymnastics for both the women and men events.

Annually, approximately 5400 athletes register in their programs or attend the facility more than three times and are from Kamloops and the surrounding community (Chase, Sun Peaks, Merritt, and Ashcroft).

Thompson Okanagan Diving Training Centre Society (Riptech Diving Club) is a member-run not-for profit incorporated organization, serving Kamloops and the surrounding communities.

The club has been active for more than 21 years. They operate year round introducing participants of all ages to the sport of diving and strive to give each diver the opportunity to reach their fullest potential in a safe, supportive and fun atmosphere.

The support of the matching grant allowed the upgrade of two new diving boards (1m and 3m) and safety mats for dry land warm up for the BC Winter Games. This contribution now has served over 120 participants (not including the general public during public swim) and in the

future will benefit the club and the public by providing safety for the community members and athletes. The Club will be hosting Novice Nationals in April and the new equipment will allow them to host many events to come.

The Kamloops Curling Club offers a safe facility in a very social environment for people of all ages and abilities to curl. The BC Games grant provided the club with a set of Rock Hawks, a Laser Light Bar and some ice maintenance equipment.

The Rock Hawks and the Laser Light Bar were used during the coaching clinics that were offered during the games. Coaches of the teams in the games as well as other coaches in the province attended the clinics to learn about the latest training tools in the sport. The ice maintenance equipment was used during the competition and every day since. The Rock Hawks and the Laser Light Bar are used frequently. They allow individuals to practice by themselves, which has greatly increased the frequency of practicing.

All of the curling coaches are volunteers and their schedules don't always fit with those of their teams. The equipment is used by both competitive and recreational curlers as well as every age group.

### CIERRA FISHER JR. CURLING TEAM

The \$2,000 Legacy grant was used by the team for essential equipment costs, resulting in an extension to the travel budget. The team achieved more ice time and won some important tournaments, including a spot in the provincials.

### FIRST NATIONS SNOWBOARD TEAM

First Nations Snowboard Team Sun Peaks had a very successful season. There

were 56 athletes on the Team Ranging from Beginner to High Performance (HPT). 10 Coaches supported the athletes and 5 Assistant coaches worked hard and obtained their Level 1 Certification and their Canada Snowboard Comp. Intro Coaching Certification.

The Athletes had a variety of experiences throughout the season. Each athlete attended 10 mandatory sessions. They were required to participate in dryland training sessions, maintain a C+ average at school and maintain a healthy life style including no drugs, vaping, cannabis and alcohol use plus only respectful/cultural use of tobacco.

The \$5,000 Sports Legacy Fund grant was a continuation from 2016 and 2017 to provide equipment (board, boots, bindings and helmets) plus uniforms (jackets and

snow pants) as many of the athletes come from underfunded living situations.

## GREATER KAMLOOPS BMX

The \$10,000 donated to the Greater Kamloops BMX Club for the 2018 season was used to replace the start gate. The BMX starting gate was a big benefit to the club and community. It is safer and quieter, and because of that, kids are not so afraid to use it. They received positive feedback on the gate from racers who came from out of town for their provincial race. In the 2019 season, they will be hosting a national once again, with over 400 racers coming for the event. Without the new safer gate they would not have been able to host the race. The BMX club grew this season to 226 active members.



## HARPER MOUNTAIN SKI CLUB

The Harper Mountain Ski Club (HMSC) was established in 1973 as a not for profit society for the purpose of providing young children affordable exposure to alpine skiing, and alpine ski racing. The grant of \$8,831 was used to purchase new race timing equipment, as well as new radios.

The financial support allows them to keep alpine ski racing accessible for local families. Timing gear and radios are essential in providing the members authentic, safe race experiences.



The support also allowed them to host a successful night race. The night race

provided not only their racers, but also other members of the community, a local race experience. In addition, the event served as a fundraiser for the club.

The purchased gear is important for the sustainability of the club, as they will continue to be able to provide quality alpine ski coaching and racing experiences for the members, as well as host fundraising race events in the future.

The 2018 season was successful with 32 athletes attending, supported by 6 coaches.

## KAMLOOPS AQUATIC CLUB - KAMLOOPS CLASSIC SWIMMING

The Kamloops Aquatic Club - Kamloops Classic Swimming utilized the grant of \$14,489 to primarily purchase timing equipment to help assist their competitive swimming program at the Canada Games Aquatic Center. The equipment was a continuum of support to upgrade the pool timing system and enhance the club's reputation for hosting high quality competitive swim meets, which contribute significantly to the capacity and strength of the organization.

This support provided the club the opportunity to host the 2018 Swim BC "Tier II" Provincial Swimming Championships March 2 – 4, 2018 and secure the 2018 bid to host the Swim BC Winter Provincial Swimming Championships March 7th to 10th 2019.

## KAMLOOPS CHEERLEADING SOCIETY

The \$2,505 in funding that the Kamloops Cheerleading Society received last year from the Sports Legacy Fund has had a great impact on the competitive and recreational All-Star cheerleading community in Kamloops. They received the funds to purchase multiple items to help increase

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physical strength and target muscles that they are not able to target without this equipment.

The wall bar and chin up bar have allowed for increased strength of the athletes shoulders, back and core and there has been an increase in the athletes' skills and strength. These two items as well as wrist weights, ab roller and climbing rope, have allowed them to create a 'conditioning corner' in their facility and have added conditioning classes. These classes allow athletes to come to the gym outside of their practice times with the main goal of staying fit and healthy.

### KAMLOOPS COMMUNITY FOOTBALL SOCIETY

Since 2006, the Kamloops Community Football Society has been providing Kamloops boys and girls the opportunity to experience organized football at a reasonable price. They believe that football is the ultimate team sport that teaches our youth the benefits of hard work, discipline, teamwork and physical activity.

The Society is dedicated to promoting football in Kamloops and throughout the province. They strongly believe that the teams help players become great athletes, and more importantly better people with the foundation of sportsmanship, discipline and fair play.

With the Kamloops Blazers Sports Legacy Fund Grant of \$12,000, the organization was able to purchase new uniforms for the athletes. This was a very proud year for the teams, showing off the new uniforms and being able to represent Kamloops in the game and tournament travel to other cities.

With this investment, not only did the teams look good, the better fitting and

cinched waist Jerseys provided a safer playing experience for all of the athletes.

Without the support of this grant, the costs to outfit the teams were too large for the membership base to absorb and would have increased the registration costs to potentially be unaffordable.



### KAMLOOPS DRAGON BOAT CLUB

The Kamloops Dragon Boat Club received \$3,883 to purchase three boat covers and a number of PFDs. These covers are of very high quality and are easy to take on/off after each practice. The purchase of the covers served the following purposes to the Club:

- Protection from the elements for the last of the 5 club boats, thereby extending the life of the fleet.
- Providing savings of time and money in maintenance of the boats.

The purchase of the life jackets served to turn over their current supply of jackets that have or are due to expire. The safety of the members is of utmost importance. Having life jackets available allows paddlers who otherwise would not have a lifejacket to be able to practice without the outlay of funds which they may or not be able to afford. It is a big expense to own your own life jacket and providing that piece allows them to make this sport affordable to all who want to give it a try.

The boats are the foundation of the

Club. Safe, sturdy boats are of paramount importance in providing paddlers with confidence that the boats are safe and well maintained. Half of the KDBC Dragon Boat fleet is 12 years old and the other half is 8+ years old. Because the expense of replacing these boats is a significant financial output for a volunteer sports organization, KDBC executive has begun implementing long range plans for the eventual replacement of the current fleet.

In the meantime, protecting what they have will greatly extend the timeline in which they need to purchase new boats.

### KAMLOOPS DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

For 2018, the Kamloops Dragon Boat Festival was granted \$2,110 funding for three different expenditures. They had custom-made race course markers made that enhanced the safety and visibility for teams that are racing on the river.

The organizers also replaced some navigational buoys as a requirement of their Transport Canada permit that allows them to operate the festival on the South Thompson River. Lastly, they purchased a spare steering oar to have available in case

one of the other oars broke during a race as had happened in a previous year. With the aid of the Sports Legacy Fund allocation, they were able to purchase equipment that helped to make the 5th annual festival the most successful yet.



### KAMLOOPS MINOR FASTBALL ASSOCIATION

The Kamloops Minor Fastball Association grant of \$1,093 provided the association the opportunity to purchase two sets of uniforms, one set for an older team and one set for a younger.

Both teams were the only in their age category and were able to represent both the league and Kamloops at home and away tournaments.



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The U16 team won silver at the annual home tournament in May and placed 6th at provincials in July. The U12 team won bronze at the home tournament, silver at a tournament in Vernon and bronze in the B pool at regionals. Both teams were grateful for the uniforms that allowed them to compete safely and as a unified team.

### KAMLOOPS PERFORMANCE CYCLING CENTRE

The Kamloops Performance Cycling Centre (KPCC) received a grant \$3,000 for the lease of a snowmobile to use for grooming the recently established Isobel Lake Recreational Winter Trail Network. Funds were to be split between the 2018-2019 season and the 2019-2020 season.

The Isobel Lake Winter Trail Network is managed by the KPCC under a 5 year agreement with the Province of British Columbia's Recreation Sites and Trails BC. This agreement was signed on November 16, 2017 to maintain and operate a winter recreational trail network for fat bikes and snowshoeing in the Isobel Lake area, which is 20 minutes north of Kamloops on Lac

du Bois Road, next to the McQueen Lake Environmental Centre's managed area.

There are currently 30 kilometers of beautiful machine groomed trails, maintained by a small group of dedicated fat bike enthusiasts who volunteer their time to groom the trail network throughout the winter months for all to enjoy. Each year, the Isobel Winter Trail Network sees more users; both fat bikers and snowshoers, and this year they again anticipate increased use as KPCC continues to improve the managed area with signage, the online trail map, network maps at 2 kiosk locations in the network and increased followers on the social media page, "Isobel Lake Recreational Trails."

### KAMLOOPS RUGBY CLUB

The Kamloops Rugby Club grant from the Capital Project Reserve Fund of \$75,000 assisted in the completion of the clubhouse located in Exhibition Park. During the club's time at the Tournament Capital Ranch (2011-2015), there was a significant decline in fan support and player registration for the senior men's and women's teams.

With the start of the clubhouse project

back in March 2016, there was an increase in the number of new players who were coming out to play for the senior men's and women's teams. Over the course of two seasons, the men's team progressed from Division 3 into Division 2, and won the BC Rugby Division 2 Provincial championship in May 2018.

For the past 2 years, the club have also been able to develop a successful Junior Girls program for the first time in club history. This past year, they successfully resurrected the Junior Boys program.

In October 2018, over 600 athletes, along with countless other coaches, team managers and parents came to Kamloops to participate in the 2nd annual BC Rugby Union 7's Tournament. This tournament has become the largest Junior Rugby 7's Tournament in Canada.

The new facility will help to ensure the KRC remains a key part of the local sports community for many years to come. They now have a place to call "home" where they can socialize, attract new members of all ages and abilities, and provide the community at large with a venue to host non-rugby events.

### KAMLOOPS SENIOR MEN'S BASEBALL LEAGUE

The Kamloops Sr. Men's Baseball Society's grant of \$1,810 went towards the purchase of protective catcher equipment and incredibly durable composite wood bats for league use, as not all players in the league can afford the upfront cost for this equipment. The equipment contributed towards sending a team to participate in the first ever Men's AA Provincial Baseball Tournament in North Vancouver. The growth experienced in 2018 will help the league expand more in the years to come, and

has offered some organizational depth and stability needed for this future expansion.

### KAMLOOPS SKATING CLUB

The grant of \$8,702 was used to purchase and install an on-ice harness and to install a permanent anchor point for the off-ice harness. This has provided the skaters with the advantage of attempting new jumps in a more controlled way. They generally start off-ice and move to the on-ice harness, which helps them into the air using the magic of pulleys and gives them a softer landing controlled by the coach. This season, the skaters had a much quicker uptake in learning new jumps and continue along the skill pathway at a faster rate.

### KAMLOOPS SUNRAYS SYNCHRONIZED SWIM CLUB

The club's projected outcome for last season was:

- To elevate the Kamloops Sunrays in the sport of synchronized swimming in Kamloops;
- To have their National athletes attend at least one National competition;
- To have all National Stream (NS) athletes (7) invited to the Talent ID Camps for the 2017/2018 season with Synchro BC

Club uniforms were purchased with the \$3,329 grant, which provided the athletes and coaches with pride and confidence to represent their team and the City of Kamloops. The development goals were successfully reached.

### KAMLOOPS TENNIS CENTRE

The Kamloops Tennis Centre is a community based facility whose mission is to provide members and non-members a welcoming tennis environment. The club is a not-for-profit Society that manages and maintains a year-round facility through

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membership fees, volunteers, grants and fund raising. The club strives to promote the growth of tennis for juniors and adults by providing professional instruction and co-ordinated activities and social events. Presently the club has 50 adult yearly members and 100 junior members with guest players from Kamloops and the Southern Interior.

The Sports Legacy Fund awarded the centre \$35,000 (\$20,000 in 2018 and \$15,000 deferred from 2017) which enabled the purchase of new LED lights to replace the old metal oxide lights. The new lights have resulted in a major improvement to the indoor lighting and a significant reduction in the energy costs.

### KAMLOOPS THERAPEUTIC RIDING ASSOCIATION

The \$4,951 grant was utilized for program strengthening by inviting two highly respected leaders in therapeutic riding to work with staff at workshops. There has been a noticeable change in the level of lessons following the experiences, resulting in positive changes in assessments of riders and the therapy horses. Assessing riders helps develop exactly what the rider needs in their lessons and assessing horses helps the coaches to decide if each horse is the right fit.

This has significantly impacted the association's bottom line, "to create opportunities for personal growth through a shared experience with horses."

### KAMLOOPS TRACK AND FIELD CLUB

Javelins, shot puts and hammers were purchased by the Kamloops Track and Field Club with the grant of \$11,370. This enabled them to use this equipment for competitions and training for elementary

school children, secondary school athletes, club athletes, right up to masters age level competitors. This included 15 competitions (2216 athletes) as well as the elementary meets (2500).

This is a huge impact on the sport and the athletes. The throws equipment was very valuable for the meets and the training and school clinics.



When KTFC is able to have the equipment to host competitions, they can charge entry fees that are reasonable, yet help the club pay for more equipment and coaches' wages to sustain the training programs.

Last year, the club had athletes that represented them and medalled at the BC Summer Games, Canadian National Youth Championships, Canadian National Senior Championships, Canadian Masters Championships and the Para World Championships. This past October, para athlete Greg Stewart was able to use the implements provided through this grant to win the World Championships in Ancona Italy.

### KAMLOOPS TRIATHLON CLUB

The \$3,892 funding was used to purchase shelving for the club's storage locker, a branded pop up tent for use at various events, and re-usable neoprene

timing straps to complement their timing system. These shelves allow them to better identify and locate equipment for use by the members, and to maintain a better inventory of the equipment.

A quality pop up tent was purchased to allow the KTC to provide a strong image at various events around Kamloops, including the club events. This tent allows them to provide coverage for the equipment at races and club workouts.

Re-usable neoprene Velcro timing straps were purchased to complement the KTC's existing timing system enabling them to re-use the straps at every event, and also rent out the system to other organizations.

### KMHA COACHES CONFERENCE

The \$5,000 grant supported the Kamloops Minor Hockey Association to host a first-class summer coaches' conference with excellent guest presenters to provide the 72 attending coaches an exceptional experience, continuing to learn and improving their skills. The summer event provides the opportunity for high quality presenting coaches to attend and pass on valuable knowledge, which then can be passed on to the developing players.

The feedback from the coaches attending the conference was all positive. The delegates commented on how well organized everything was and how the presentations were all conducted in both a classroom and on-ice format.

### KIDSPORT KAMLOOPS CHAPTER

KidSport Kamloops is a chapter of the national not-for-profit organization that provides financial assistance for sport registration fees and equipment to kids aged 18 and under. The local chapter is a dedicated volunteer committee, which

solely relies on donations to assist local financially disadvantaged youth. The grant of \$30,000 supports this work and the community is encouraged to also step up and help out. During 2018, 218 kids participated in the program at a total commitment of greater than \$74,000. More information regarding the operation of the chapter as well as a source for donations is available at [www.kidsport.ca/kamloops](http://www.kidsport.ca/kamloops).

### PACIFICSPORT INTERIOR BC

The PacificSport Centres are a network of not-for-profit organizations committed to enriching lives and energizing communities via sport, physical activity and physical literacy across BC. A legacy of the 1993 Canada Summer Games hosted in Kamloops, PacificSport Interior BC is a regional sport hub created to lead athlete,



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coach and community sport services as far north as 100 Mile House; northeast to Sun Peaks, Barriere and Clearwater; east to Salmon Arm and Sicamous, and southwest to Lytton.

In partnership with the viaSport Regional Alliance, PacificSport Interior BC aims to increase awareness, opportunity and participation in physical activity and sport – from playground to podium – while enhancing access to coaching and athletic programs. A variety of programs and services are offered to support sport initiatives at all stages of the Canadian Sport for Life (CS4L) continuum in the region.

The grant of \$80,000 is an annual matched funding directed to coaching development, ancillary support and assisted travel grants for athletes attending national championships and world events.

All of the funds are fully leveraged by either the local or provincial sport organizations or the athletes themselves. The coaching grants are not only funding upper level development and performance

but provide the participating organizations with much needed grass roots support that significantly enhances their capacities.

See the chart below for the coaching development component grants.

SENIOR TABLE TENNIS ACTIVITY CLUB

The \$728 grant provided the opportunity for the club to purchase a new table to add to their program at Desert Gardens.

THOMPSON BLAZERS MAJOR MIDGET HOCKEY TEAM

The grant had a significant impact in a number of ways. With the \$5,000, the team was able to purchase a season-long membership for the programming software to breakdown video of games and use as a teaching tool for the players. It provided them the opportunity for specialized coaching in the areas of goaltending, as well as strength and conditioning.

The team was able to provide their players with educational support in the form of tutoring. The grant enhances the

experience for the players, providing them with the type of elite hockey programming that is expected at this level.

SPIRIT WARRIORS SOCIETY

The Spirit Warriors Dragon Boat Team is a paddling group made up of breast cancer survivors. The \$1,000 grant made it possible for members to exchange their 10 year old PFD's with new ones.

This year was a particularly exciting year for the Spirit Warriors in that they represented Kamloops, B.C. and Canada at the International Breast Cancer Survivor's Dragon Boat Festival in Florence Italy.

Along with 4000 other survivors, they experienced once-in-a-lifetime moments.



TOURNAMENT CITY DERBY DIVERSIFIED

The \$3,382 grant helped expand the club's Fresh Meat program with eight junior full skater set-ups and co-ed jerseys. This expansion has given them the opportunity to accommodate all shapes and sizes for the skating community.

There is pride in encouraging community members to try out the sport before

purchasing their own gear, as it can be initially expensive. Being able to provide jerseys for each skater made them feel united and complete as a team.

TRU SPORTS TASK FORCE (ATHLETICS)

The Sports Legacy Fund support of \$25,000 in scholarships for TRU athletes is leveraged by a further \$15,000 contribution by the university.

The initial \$10,000 is restricted to Kamloops and Region athletes. The student athletes are able to focus on their studies and chosen sport, which reduces the burden of constantly looking for jobs and taking out student loans to cover education costs. This year, 12 athletes received a scholarship from this fund.

Student athlete appreciation: "As full-time student athletes, we often have our plates full, struggling to find a balance between succeeding in our sport as well as our academics.

"With the support of the Kamloops Sports Legacy Fund and many other contributors, a huge portion of potential stress is lifted off of our shoulders. Instead of putting our focus towards finding a job, or some type of income through our careers here at TRU, you are enabling us to put all of our focus into becoming better people through our commitment to athletics and academics.

"You are continuously giving student athletes opportunities we will cherish for the rest of our lives, opportunities that we may not have encountered without your help.

"Thank you for acknowledging the love and passion we have for what we do and continuing to support us along this journey."

– Katie Ludvig, 2nd year Communications and Public Relations student

COACHING DEVELOPMENT GRANTS: \$65,000	2019	2009-2018
Kamloops Canoe and Kayak Club	5,000	50,000
Kamloops Aquatic Club - Kamloops Classic Swimming	2,500	20,000
Kamloops Gymnastics and Trampoline Centre	7,500	70,000
Kamloops Long Blades Association	10,000	100,000
Kamloops Collegiate Baseball Society	10,000	100,000
Kamloops Track and Field Club	10,000	100,000
KATTS		5,000
Overlander Ski Club	5,000	50,000
Sun Peaks Alpine Ski Club	5,000	50,000
Thompson Okanagan Diving Training Centre	5,000	50,000
TRU Athletics (Basketball)	5,000	50,000
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