



S'port For Kids
Foundation

2008 S'port Grant Recipients Detailed Fact Sheet

Our country's future is directly tied to the abilities we nurture in our youth. Organized sport helps to instill values and abilities in today's children, preparing them to become model citizens and capable business leaders of tomorrow.

S'port for Kids Foundation was formed in 1997 to promote the beneficial effects of sport on the healthy development of children in the community. S'port Grants are awarded to sport organizations who have made a formal application to S'port for Kids Foundation and have demonstrated the need for funding and have been successful in satisfying the granting criteria.

The Ontario Camp of the Deaf

The Ontario Camp for the Deaf is Rev. R. Rumball vision to have a facility in the heart of Ontario where a deaf child could enjoy everything that a summer camp could offer, but in an environment without any communication barriers.

Richmond Hill Mobility

Richmond Hill Mobility & Accessibility Foundation applied for Crosby Park, the first fully accessible park in Richmond Hill, enabling those with physical disabilities and those who are sight and/or hearing impaired an opportunity to participate in sport activities.

Durham Family Court Clinic

Durham Family Court Clinic is an organization that provides counselling services to at-risk children and youth and through its "Connecting Our Kids Program". It promotes their participation in sports and leisure activities as a means to enhance their physical health, life skills and self-image.

Children's Aid Foundation

In Canada there are approximately 300,000 children and youth who are considered to be at high-risk and in need of child welfare services. Each year almost 75,000 of these children are removed from their homes into the safety of foster or group homes and many more are provided with care while remaining with their natural families.

In recent years Canada has experienced an increase in immigration from war-torn countries. Many of these children have experienced horrific violence; seen family members injured and spent time in refugee camps and transit centre's. The majority of these children has come into Canada as recent immigrants and is dealing with issues such as language, culture, socialization as well as the trauma they have experienced in their home countries.

Richmond Hill Soccer Association

The Richmond Hill Soccer Club's purpose is to foster interest and participation in and to provide programs for organized soccer to its members and prospective members.

Yonge Street Mission

The Yonge Street Mission was formed in 1896 and responds to the homeless, hungry and hurting of downtown Toronto. Over 12,500 people come to the YSM monthly for help and support. The community centre is the hub of the organization and is located on the borders of Cabbagetown, Regent Park and St. James Town.

In 2001, a S'port Grant was awarded to the YSM to allow for purchase of sporting equipment for use in after-school activities and summer camp programs. Commencing in 2002, S'port for Kids Foundation worked with YSM to create a formal after-school sports program that runs 3 to 4 days per week from 3 to 7pm. The program allows an estimate of 500 children to participate in gymnastics, soccer, floor hockey, karate and Tae Kwan Do. Furthermore, the sports program serves as a great attraction for children to visit the community centre, and provides the opportunity for YSM staff to encourage participation in additional programs, such as group study and tutorial sessions.

S'port for Kids is pleased to continue supporting a program in partnership with YSM that will expose children to the positive aspects of sports, while stressing the importance of education for well-rounded development.