

AOA Grants for Cubs Support

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Background:

The Pursuit of Athletic Excellence Grant was discontinued to support different initiatives. The new Leadership Grant will support individuals to align their Personal Development with the Canadian orienteering events advancement. New program grants were introduced in 2019. The AOA clubs can apply for Junior Program Development Grant, Underrepresented Group Program Grant and Major Event Hosting Grant.

Junior Development Program Grant for Clubs

Objective:

- to collaborate with the clubs to support athlete and coach development at a provincial level
- To provide learning and training opportunities for junior athletes to advance to Orienteering Canada's High-Performance Program.

Junior Development Program support

- **AOA is offering an annual grant in form of financial support to AOA member clubs.**
- The goal is to support athlete development and helping them to advance towards Orienteering Canada's – High Performance Program.
- Eligibility: funding must be spent on **Junior program development at the LTAD Learn to Train and Train to Train stages** to support the competitive experience.
(Examples: coach training, travel to support athletes at competitions, coach salaries for preparing individualized plans for athletes, organizing extra competition/training opportunities etc.)
- **To apply** for the grant: write a short proposal and budget for how you would spend the requested amount and how it would help your program development.
- Send the proposal to the AOA Executive Director info@orienteeringalberta.ca by April 30st .

Underrepresented Groups Program Grant

Objective:

To support clubs and programs which are tailored towards the objective of the Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility. These programs are encouraged to focus on providing more recreational and sport activities to underrepresented groups in Alberta.

Underrepresented groups program grant:

AOA is offering an annual grant in form of financial support to AOA member clubs.

The underrepresented groups can include women, Indigenous Peoples, members of visible minorities, newcomers, low income households, people with disabilities and LGBTQ2+ individuals.

To apply for this, grant the AOA member Clubs, need to send a request to AOA Executive Director and indicate the proposed spending of the Grant.

Expenses

Eligible expenses for grant funds are expenses directly associated with the project and programs which helps underrepresented groups involvement with Orienteering activities.

Examples of expenses for which grant funds may be used include, but are not limited to:

- staff salaries for work related to the project;
- travel costs associated with the project;
- development resources and training materials;
- costs associated with organization and administration
- Facility/ mapping costs for events related to the project
- Can not be applied for meals or per diem

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AOA Major Event Hosting Grant

Objective:

To support the AOA member clubs to organize and run the annual Alberta Championships and Training Camps or similar provincial scope events.

Rationale: The AOA clubs have a big role in organising provincial scope events. AOA needs to support this with event hosting grant to make sure the Clubs have everything to be able to operate a big event which benefits the whole orienteering community in Alberta.

To apply for this, grant the AOA member Clubs, need to send a request to AOA Executive Director and indicate the proposed spending of the Event Hosting Grant. The Event Hosting Grant indented to help clubs to host the annual AOA events like Spring Training camp, AOC or it can be applied to Westerns or Canadians if they held in the province.

Examples of expenses for which grant funds may be used include, but are not limited to:

- Equipment
- Event hosting expenses: printing, additional awards (besides AOA provided medals), draw prizes, travel/accommodation cost for officials and organizers.
- Facility rentals or mapping
- Can not be applied for honorariums, meals or per diem

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