



SPORT NEW ZEALAND ANNOUNCE RELIEF PACKAGE

Sport NZ announces further \$25 million short-term relief package

Primary focus on clubs and regional organisations

Sport NZ has announced a \$25 million package to provide further short-term relief for organisations at all levels of sport and active recreation. The funds have been made available through savings achieved from the reprioritisation of Sport NZ's work programme in the wake of COVID-19, as well as the drawing down on cash reserves.

Today's announcement follows an initial package of support for Sport NZ and High Performance Sport NZ partners announced in Early April. The provided financial certainty for national sport and recreation organisations, regional sport trusts and others, with funding commitments totalling \$70 million per annum. Partners were provided with flexibility on how these funds could be used to reflect the challenging circumstances resulting from COVID-19 through until 30 June 2021.

The Sport NZ Community Resilience Fund opens Monday 11th May and will be administered through New Zealand's 14 regional sports trusts. Eligible organisations can apply for a maximum of \$1,000 for clubs and \$40,000 for regional bodies.

Also included in Sport NZ's \$25 million relief package are:

- A partner support fund (\$6 million) to help Sport NZ and High Performance Sport NZ investment partners maintain critical roles and business functions which are at risk due to COVID-19
- An exceptional system support fund (\$1 million) to protect key national organisations who are not normal recipients of Sport NZ investment
- A physical activity fund (\$3 million) to promote play, active recreation and sport opportunities to those who most need it (e.g. people who are less active, disabled or live in high deprivation areas)

Further details on these three funds will be announced over the coming weeks.

More information on the new \$25 million short-term relief package and Sport NZ's wider response to COVID-19 is available on our [website](#).

