



KIDSPORT RICHMOND

NEWSLETTER

KIDSPORT™ PAYS, YOUR KID PLAYS

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A \$32,316 cheque is presented to KidSport™ Richmond from Cadillac Fairview

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bobby Singh, Honorary Chair, KidSport™ Richmond; Bonnie Rempel, Property Manager, Richmond Centre, Cadillac Fairview; and Bob Jackson, KidSport™ Richmond Committee.



A \$20,000 cheque from the City of Richmond is presented to KidSport™ Richmond

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bobby Singh, Honorary Chair, KidSport™ Richmond; Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Mayor of Richmond; Bob Jackson, KidSport™ Richmond Committee.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

I am happy to report that 2023 was a record-breaking year for KidSport™ Richmond in both the number of youth assisted and the total amount of all grants. Our Chapter assisted 374 youth, from families facing financial barriers in Richmond, for a total of \$162,051. This was an increase of 35% in the number of grants and an increase of 36% in the total amount allocated. Since KidSport™ Richmond started in 2008, our Chapter has assisted 3,705 youth, to at least as season of sport, for a total of \$1.2M. In the first 4 months of 2024, KidSport™ Richmond has received 225 applications as compared to 155 at the same time last year, this is an increase of 45%.

KidSport™ Richmond would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Hilton Vancouver Airport Hotel for partnering with us to host the **8th Annual Creating Community Champions Gala**. The hotel supplies the ballroom, the 3-course meal and most of the staff volunteer their time for this event. THANK YOU to the Hilton Hotel Team.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.

KidSport™ Richmond has a huge challenge to ensure we can continue saying “Yes” to every qualified youth athlete who needs our assistance. In 2024, KidSport™ Richmond had to cancel the “**Creating Community Champions Fundraising Gala**” for our partner, the Hilton Vancouver Airport Hotel is behind a picket line. Secondly, we continue to see a significant increase in applications for funding from financially challenged families in Richmond. KidSport™ Richmond is doing our best to keep up with the growing demand. This year KidSport™ Richmond has already decreased the maximum grant per child in a calendar year from \$800 to \$400.

Donor support is needed to ensure kids in Richmond aren't left on the sidelines.

I would like to thank the members of the KidSport™ Richmond Committee and the members of the Creating Community Champions Gala Planning Committee for their dedicated and passionate support of KidSport™ Richmond.

Bob Jackson, Chair

2023 KIDSPORT™ RICHMOND COMMITTEE:

Bob Jackson, Chair | Doug Bourne, Treasurer | Annie Watson, Secretary | Steve Valenzuela, Director of Major Fundraising Project | Alex Loo, Director of Recognition | Evan Dunfee, Director of Social Media & Communications | Mandy Hadfield, Sport Manager, City of Richmond | Don Fisher | Kathy Nakhleh | Kathleen Wong

OUR VISION: To ensure no kid is left watching from the sidelines, simply because their family can't afford the cost of sport.

COMMUNITY SPORTS GROUPS RECEIVING KIDSPORT™ RICHMOND GRANTS IN 2023

- 604 Volleyball Club
- Cheer Sport Sharks Vancouver
- ClearOne Badminton Centre
- Connaught Figure Skating Club
- Cypress Ski Club
- Delta Blue Jays Baseball Club
- Flight Club Artistic Movement
- Fraser Valley Snowboard Club
- Fusion FC Soccer
- Gum Ying Hapkido, Inc. (Archery)
- H. J. Cambie Secondary School
- Hugh Boyd Secondary School
- Kajaks Track & Field Club
- KLM Soccer Association
- Matthew McNair Secondary School
- Pacific Wave Artistic Club
- Richmond Air Attack Volleyball Club
- Richmond City Baseball Association
- Richmond Girls' Softball Association
- Richmond Gymnastics Association
- Richmond Jets Minor Hockey Association
- Richmond Lacrosse Association
- Richmond Minor Football League
- Richmond Olympic Oval – Climbing Program
- Richmond Rapids Swim Club
- Richmond Ravens Female Hockey Association
- Richmond Ringette Association
- Richmond Rockets Speed Skating Club
- Richmond Secondary School
- Richmond Tennis Club
- Richmond Therapeutic Riding Association
- Richmond United Soccer Club
- Richmond Youth Soccer Association (Richmond FC)
- Sirota's Alchymy Martial Arts Centre
- Steveston-London Secondary School
- Surrey Lacrosse Association
- TSS Football Club
- Tumble City Athletics
- Vancouver Hawks Field Hockey Club
- Vancouver Minor Softball Association
- Vancouver Phoenix Gymnastics
- Vancouver Ultimate League
- Wang Heng Wushu Taino Institute
- Wayland Sports, Inc.
- West Coast Cheer
- Winkill Dolphins Swim Club
- Wu's Taekwondo School



A \$10,000 cheque is presented to KidSport™ Richmond from CARHA Hockey

LEFT TO RIGHT: A representative of CARHA Hockey; and Kathleen Wong, KidSport™ Richmond Committee



A \$6,134.74 cheque is presented to KidSport™ Richmond from Kajaks Track & Field Club

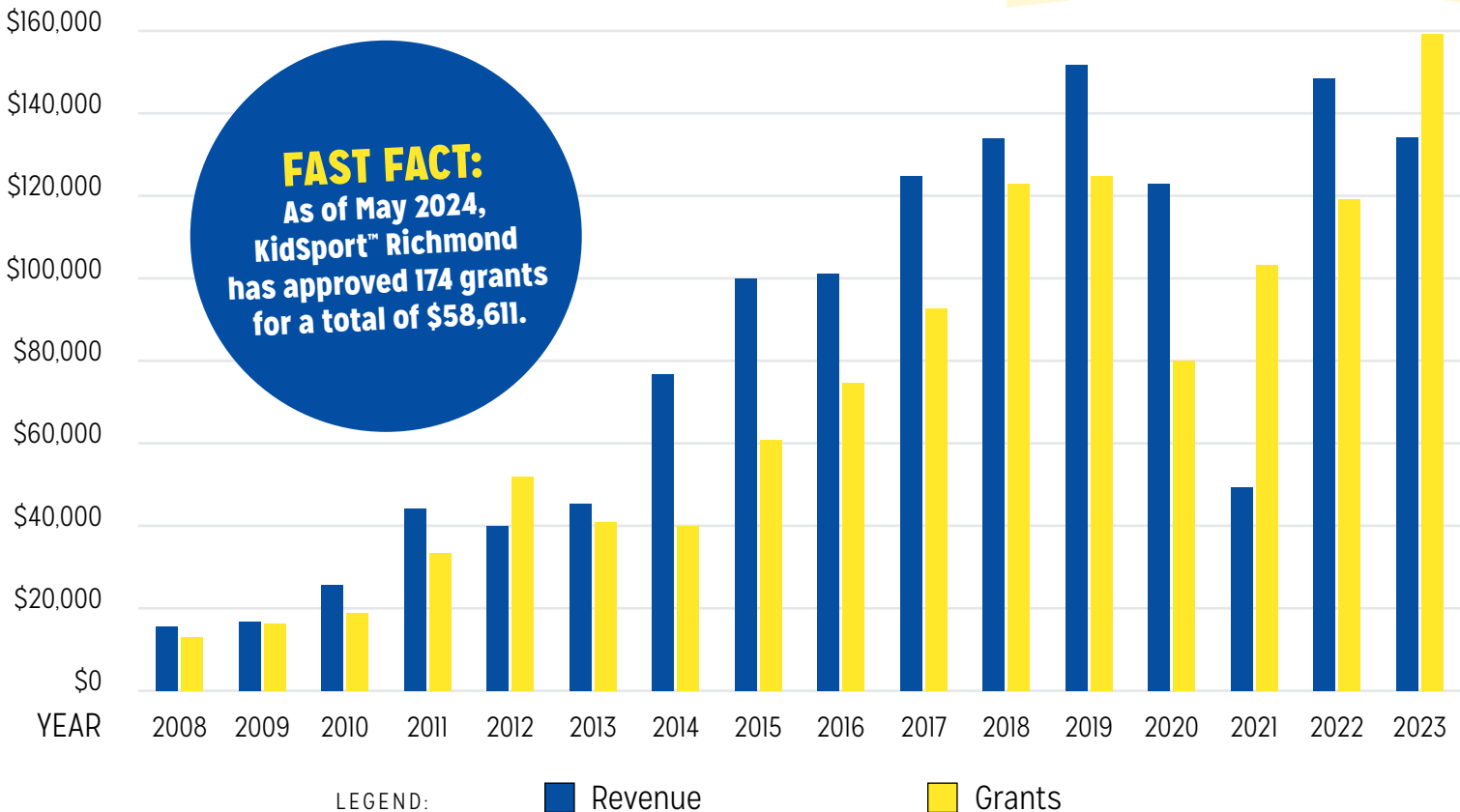
LEFT TO RIGHT: Jordan Cluff, Owner, Richmond New Balance Store; Evan Dunfee, KidSport™ Richmond Committee; Bob Jackson, KidSport™ Richmond Committee; Karen Fisher Hagel, Manager, Kajaks Track & Field Club; and Jared Hulme, Race Director, Kajaks Track & Field Club.



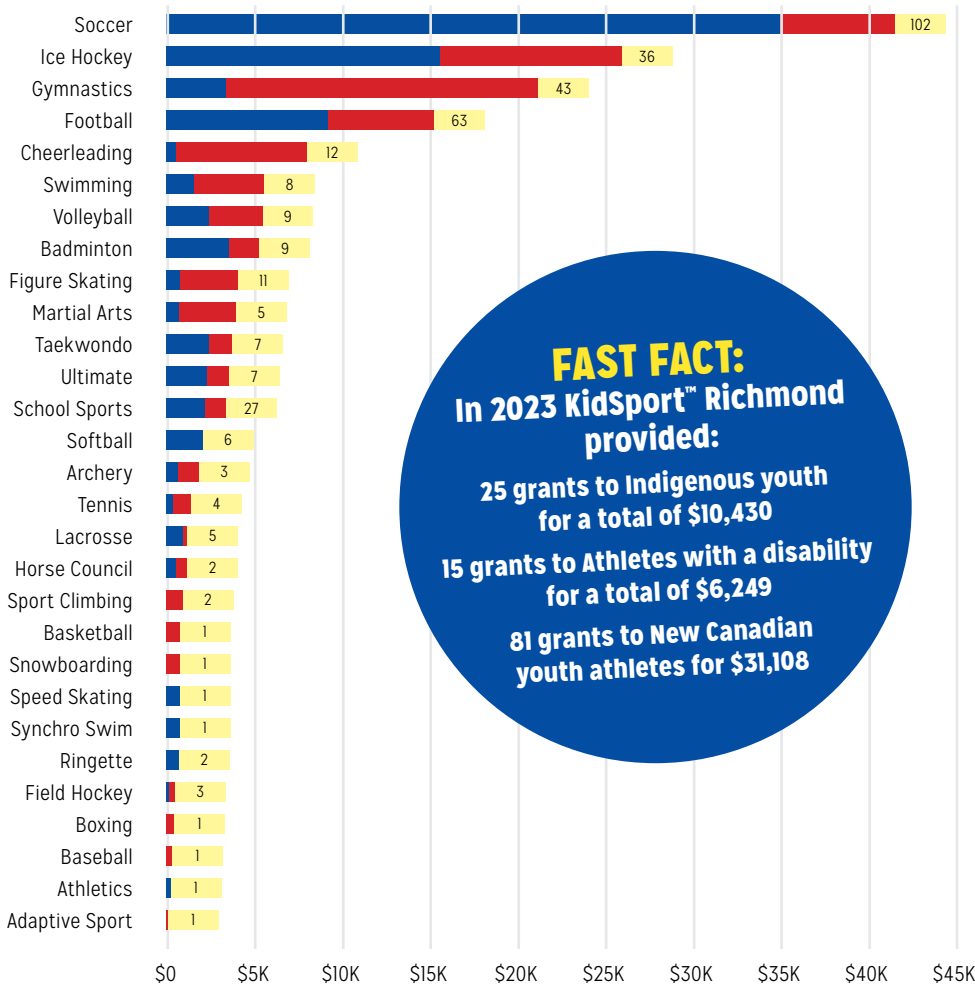
A \$3,000 cheque is presented to KidSport™ Richmond from the Richmond BC Pickleball Association

LEFT TO RIGHT: Ingrid Defert, RCPBA Secretary; Gordon Farrell, RCPBA President; and Evan Dunfee, KidSport™ Richmond Committee.

KIDSPORT™ RICHMOND REVENUE AND VALUE OF ATHLETE GRANTS BY YEAR

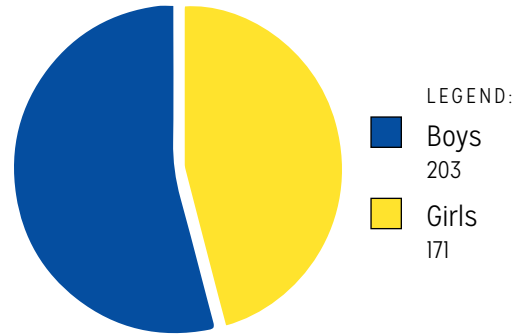


KIDSPORT™ RICHMOND GRANTS FOR SPORT BY GENDER FOR THE YEAR 2023

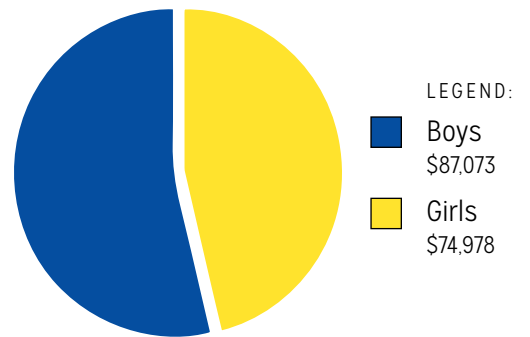


FAST FACT:
 In 2023 KidSport™ Richmond provided:
 25 grants to Indigenous youth for a total of \$10,430
 15 grants to Athletes with a disability for a total of \$6,249
 81 grants to New Canadian youth athletes for \$31,108

NUMBER OF GRANTS BY GENDER 2023

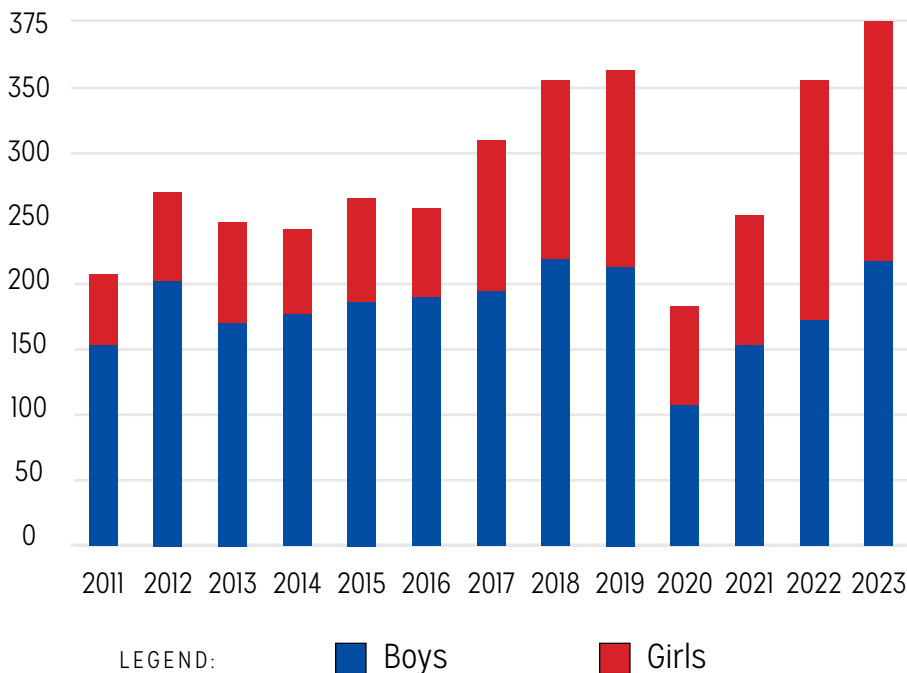


VALUE OF GRANTS BY GENDER 2023



LEGEND: Boys (Blue), Girls (Red), Total Grants (Yellow)

KIDSPORT™ GRANT RECIPIENTS BY YEAR



A \$3,000 cheque is presented to KidSport™ Richmond from the Nations Cup Soccer Society
 LEFT TO RIGHT: Evan Dunfee, KidSport™ Richmond Committee; and Jeff Wilson, President of Nations Cup Soccer Society.

2023 DONORS & SPONSORS

- Cadillac Fairview – Richmond Centre Mall
- Canada Post Heritage Club
- CARHA Hockey Canada
- City of Richmond
- Hamber Foundation
- Kajaks Track & Field Club
- KidSport™ BC
- Nations Cup Soccer Society
- Richmond Arenas Community Association
- Richmond BC Pickleball Association
- Sport Tourism Canada

We greatly appreciate the support of our loyal donors & sponsors!



2023 BC-WIDE IMPACT

7,742

kids in BC received KidSport™ funding for a season of sport

\$2.6M

distributed by KidSport™ chapters across BC last year

210

communities supported across the province



Male: 60.7%
Female: 39.1%
Other gender: 0.2%



The **LARGEST** single-year fundraising distribution in the program's history.

41%

of grants supported Indigenous children and youth, new Canadians or athletes with a disability

53

different sports funded through KidSport™ grants

1000+

amateur sports clubs supported across the province

200+

volunteers serving on KidSport™ chapter committees across BC

TOP SPORTS



SOCCER
2,555 kids
\$800,097



HOCKEY
1,103 kids
\$443,265



GYMNASTICS
965 kids
\$326,361



FIGURE SKATING
436 kids
\$142,357



SCHOOL SPORTS
305 kids
\$100,699

5-YEAR GRANT NUMBERS

2019

7,248

2020*

3,507

2021*

4,164

2022

5,377

2023

7,742

**Many sports programs were not operating due to COVID-19, which led to a decrease in grants in 2020 and 2021.*

We pay so KIDS Can Play!

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Contact us to donate or volunteer with KidSport™ Richmond!

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