



SPORT AND RECREATION SECTOR FUNDING FOCUS AREAS 2024/25 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Sport and Recreation Distributing Agency (SRDA) established in terms of the Lotteries Act, 1997 (no. 57 of 1997 as amended) is once again able to consider applications from funding from the proceeds of the National Lottery.

The Sport and Recreation sector's overall goal is to contribute to the development of an equitable, accessible, sustainable and competitive national sport and recreation system.

In adjudicating applications, the SRDA will give preference to applications that respond to social and economic challenges in underdeveloped areas; that advance the interests and participation of women, youth, and people with disabilities; that lead to job creation and retention; and that align to the priorities of government as captured in the NDP and the Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan (ERRP). Applicants will also be expected to demonstrate that they have the requisite capacity (i.e., personnel, skills, experience, systems) to manage the programme.

PLEASE NOTE.

Applicants must register their organisations on the NLC portal before responding to the Call for Applications. Organisations that are not registered on the NLC portal will not be able to apply for funding. Please note that there is no deadline for registration. Registering your organisation does not constitute a grant application submission. Applicants are encouraged to read the published Application Guidelines to prepare for their funding submission.

Note further that applicants may only apply for grants under one sector.

| PROGRAMME AREA: SPORT AND RECREATION FOR DEVELOPMENT | | | |
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| OVERALL GOAL OF THE PROGRAMME AREA | FUNDING OUTCOMES | INTERVENTIONS TO BE FUNDED | TARGET ORGANISATIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to a healthy nation, by increasing children and young people's access to sporting and recreational activities for improving physical and mental health (special focus on girls; children / youth; and children / youth with disabilities) Sport in this context includes all forms of physical activity such as play, recreation, organised or competitive sport, and indigenous sport and games | <p>Short-term outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in participation in extra-curricular recreational and / or sporting activities (including traditional and indigenous sport). <p>Medium Term Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved social outcomes for participants (e.g., physical and mental health, social skills) | <p>(i) Integrated programmes that position sport as a core activity or entry point, offering life skills, psycho-social support, and academic / educational support in pursuit of wider developmental objectives including e.g., after-school support, entrepreneurial training, gardening, and cultural or creative activities.</p> <p>(ii) Equipment and apparel for participants ¹</p> <p>(iii) Coach, facilitator and programmes coordinator's skills development</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPOs offering structured programmes that utilise sport / physical recreation as a means to achieve broader social, economic, educational and health-related outcomes |

¹ Local procurement of kit and equipment is encouraged

| PROGRAMME AREA: SCHOOL SPORT | | | |
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| OVERALL GOAL OF THE PROGRAMME AREA | FUNDING OUTCOMES | INTERVENTIONS TO BE FUNDED | TARGET ORGANISATIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to the growth of sport, and to a healthy nation, by increasing levels of learner participation in sport and recreation (special focus on girls and learners with disabilities) | <p>Short-term outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in sporting activities / programmes in underprivileged schools. Increase in learners participating in sport / recreation activities including indigenous sport. Increase in club league / competition participation by underprivileged schools. <p>Medium Term Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in schools' leagues in various sporting codes. | <p>SCHOOLS: A combination of three or more of the following:</p> <p>SCHOOL SPORT FEDERATIONS: (iii) and (iv) ONLY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Equipment and apparel for athletes / learners² (ii) Recreational activities for learners as part of a school sport programme including indigenous sport. (iii) Coach, official, administrator and sport coordinators skills development and placement of coaches in schools² | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public schools³ located in disadvantaged / rural areas or serving disadvantaged communities (e.g., informal settlements, townships) Associate members of Federations for schools' sport |

² Placement of coaches on a part-time basis and / or as a shared resource in more than one school is encouraged.

³ Grade R, if offered, is included

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved performance and increased participation of learners in schools' leagues. | (iv) Participation in local and regional leagues and competitions including schools' leagues. | |
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| PROGRAMME AREA TWO: LOCAL / PROVINCIAL / REGIONAL / DISTRICT FEDERATIONS | | | |
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| OVERALL GOAL OF THE PROGRAMME AREA | FUNDING OUTCOMES | INTERVENTIONS TO BE FUNDED | TARGET ORGANISATIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to the development and transformation of sport for designated groups through club and federation development (including townships, rural areas and underprivileged communities, special focus on women / girls and athletes with disability) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in sporting activities/ programmes through local clubs and leagues. Increase in club participation in local and district leagues competitions. Increase in local and district leagues / competitions | <p>A combination of three or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club and federation development (training of officials, coaches and administrators, strengthening of organisational systems and governance, strengthening of MERL⁴ systems) Talent identification and development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federations must be registered as NPO, NPC or Public Benefit Trust. Federations below National level (including associate members) |

⁴ MERL: monitoring, evaluation, reporting and learning

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athlete and coach support programmes including nutrition. • Participation in domestic and national competition • Equipment and apparel for clubs^{5 6} | |
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| PROGRAMME AREA THREE: NATIONAL FEDERATIONS | | | |
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| OVERALL GOAL OF THE PROGRAMME AREA | FUNDING OUTCOMES | INTERVENTIONS TO BE FUNDED | TARGET ORGANISATIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to development and transformation of sport at elite level for designated groups (women, poor communities PWD) • Team South Africa support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progressive attainment of transformation targets in selected sporting codes NB Transformation Plan (baseline and targets) must be submitted with the application | <p>A combination of three or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federation development (training of officials, coaches and administrators, strengthening of organisational systems and governance, strengthening of MERL⁷ systems) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federations must be registered as NPO, NPC or Public Benefit Trust. • National Federations, associate members of federations and Macro Bodies |

⁵ A maximum of 50 clubs per applicant will be considered.

⁶ Local procurement of kit and equipment is encouraged.

⁷ MERL: monitoring, evaluation, reporting and learning.

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athlete and coach support programmes (target groups) • Pre-departure camps (target groups) • Participation in national and international competition (target groups) | |
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NB The Distributing Agency reserves the right to (i) decide on the amount to be allocated which may be less than the amount requested (ii) decline to award a grant if the application does not meet the NLC's strategic funding objectives.