

# Exceptional Systems Support Fund – update



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## Purpose

1. The purpose of this briefing is to provide you with an update on the Exceptional Systems Support (ESS) Fund and the final amounts awarded. The figures provided in the tables below will be proactively released on Thursday 23 July 2020.

## Short-term relief package

2. On 7 May 2020 Sport NZ announced a \$25 million package to provide short-term relief to the play, active recreation and sport sector which had been adversely impacted during the COVID-19 pandemic. The package was made available through savings achieved from the reprioritisation of Sport NZ's work programme in the wake of COVID-19, as well as from drawing down on cash reserves.
3. The short-term relief package was made up of three funds – the ESS Fund, the Community Resilience Fund (Phase One), and Partner Support Fund. Details of the Community Resilience Fund have been proactively released and are available at this web address: <https://sportnz.org.nz/about-us/our-publications/measuring-our-performance/official-information-releases/>.

## Exceptional System Support Fund

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4. The ESS Fund closed for applications on 28 June 2020. The fund provided support for organisations that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 and was designed for national play, active recreation and sport organisations who did not already receive investment directly from Sport NZ.
5. The fund attracted a number of applicants into which Sport NZ has not previously invested. Only two applicants have received funding from Sport NZ in the past (Dance Aotearoa NZ and the International Play Association).
6. Sport NZ received 52 applications in total – 38 of which were successful:
  - 43 of these met our eligibility criteria of being a national organisation with the primary purpose of play, active recreation and sport. However, five of these applications were declined as their costs did not meet the criteria for this fund.
  - Nine applications were declined because they did not meet the national reach criteria.
  - The remaining 38 applications were assessed, and Sport NZ provided funding to all of them.
7. Although the original maximum amount proposed for successful organisations was \$40,000, the Sport NZ Board had discretion to approve more than \$40,000. As a result, almost half (18) of the

successful applicants received amounts in excess of \$40,000 based on the alignment with the purpose of the fund and evidence of their financial hardship.

8. The total amount being paid to the 38 successful applicants is \$1.881 million. This total exceeds the \$1.5 million originally approved for the fund. The additional \$381,000 was reallocated from the unallocated portion of the Community Resilience Fund – Phase One.

#### *New Zealand Sports Foundation Charitable Trust*

9. The ESS Fund was further supported by the New Zealand Sports Foundation Charitable Trust (NZSFCT) which contributed \$500,000 to the ESS Fund. Funding was awarded to 14 organisations who aligned with the NZSFCT objectives below:

- Benefit young people either directly or indirectly;
- Be focused on participation; and
- Include educational and leadership benefits.

#### **Successful Applicants**

10. Eight organisations included costs in their application that are outside the criteria for this fund, such as event management, road closure and event application fees, airfares and other travel costs and therefore these costs were not awarded. Only the eligible costs were awarded.

Fund only the costs that meet criteria (i.e. less than applied for)	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support
Freediving NZ (AIDA NZ)	10,700	10,700	6,708	6,708
International Play Association Aotearoa	40,000	50,789	18,829	18,829
Mount Festival Charitable Trust	45,000	77,944	13,444	13,444
National Amateur Bodybuilding Association NZ	50,400	5,772	3,624	4,168
NZ Wheelchair Rugby	50,000	27,612	19,749	22,711
SB Events/Tri New Plymouth	48,000	25,836	25,113	25,113
The Challenge Wanaka Sports Trust	200,000	39,789	34,389	34,389
The Condor Rugby Football Club	55,000	60,592	10,775	12,391
<b>Total</b>				<b>137,753</b>

11. Seven organisations only applied for eligible costs and these costs were awarded in full.

Funded in full	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support
Achilles Track Club New Zealand Incorporate	50,000	7,146	7,146	7,146
Craigieburn Valley Ski Club	35,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Fencing New Zealand	30,000	11,880	11,880	11,880
New Zealand Olympic Luge Association Inc.	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
Rotorua Tramping and Skiing Club Inc	23,500	30,674	30,674	30,674
The Circus Hub	100,106	1,000	1,000	1,000
Underwater Hockey New Zealand Inc	35,600	1,650	1,650	1,650
<b>Total</b>				<b>89,850</b>

12. Three organisations included costs that are greater than their lost revenue for the period. Therefore, the organisations were only awarded the value of their lost income.

Funded to the value of the level of lost revenue	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support
New Zealand Maori Golf	15,000	24,668	24,668	15,000
Perry Outdoor Education Trust	20,000	23,166	23,166	20,000
Pirongia Forest Park Lodge	23,488	25,307	21,832	23,488
<b>Total</b>				<b>58,488</b>

13. Boccia New Zealand Incorporated received \$1,650 from the Community Resilience Fund – Phase One. The Sport NZ Board awarded the amount of the cost applied for in the ESS Fund minus the funding awarded as part Community Resilience Fund – Phase One.

Fund all costs less CRF- Phase one payment	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support
Boccia New Zealand Incorporated	41,000	28,406	26,754	26,754
<b>Total</b>				<b>26,754</b>

14. Winter Games New Zealand (WGNZ) claimed for eligible costs that exceeded the \$40,000 limit. WGNZ has also received support from Major Events (MBIE). The Sport NZ Board therefore awarded \$40,000 of eligible costs.

Fund to limit \$40k as eligible for event fund support	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support
Winter Games New Zealand	1,925,000	172,350	172,350	40,000
<b>Total</b>				<b>40,000</b>

15. The 18 organisations in the following two tables have been awarded eligible costs over the \$40,000 limit on the basis of alignment with the purpose of the fund and evidence of their financial hardship.

- a) Eligible costs for the fund include fixed costs incurred by the national organisation in support of regional/local operations. NZ Sport Fishing Council is the only applicant that claimed costs for their clubs. They submitted a request for \$131,863 for clubs. Each of their clubs will receive \$1,000 (the amount that eligible clubs received from the Community Resilience Fund – Phase One), in addition to the national organisation's eligible costs.

Fund \$1,000 per club in addition to the applicant's eligible costs	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS support	Additional funding	Total to awarded
NZ Sport Fishing Council	85,000	172,757	13,550	13,550	53,000	66,550
<b>Total</b>						<b>66,550</b>

- b) Payments of more than \$40,000 are being provided to each of the 17 organisations in the table below based on national reach and opportunities provided for Māori, Pacifica, young women and girls, or disabled people.

Fund to limit + additional funding	Lost income	Costs applied for	Eligible costs	ESS allocation	Additional funding	Total to pay
Adventure Specialties Trust	466,000	76,683	76,682	40,000	18,341	58,341
AIMS Games Trust	1,931,545	139,530	139,529	40,000	49,765	89,765
Camp Bentzon(Kawau Island)Trust	50,000	56,200	56,200	40,000	-	40,000
Dance Aotearoa New Zealand Ltd (DANZ)	350,000	81,715	81,715	40,000	31,286	71,286
Dynamo Cycling & Sports Club Incorporated	105,000	71,096	41,096	40,000	548	40,548
Exercise Association of New Zealand Inc	330,000	137,500	131,304	40,000	45,652	85,652
Hillary Outdoors	391,356	40,864	94,899	40,000	41,174	81,174
Kokako Lodge	179,931	69,818	69,814	40,000	14,907	54,907
Motutapu Outdoor Education Trust	200,000	118,055	80,583	40,000	20,291	60,291
New Zealand Riding for the Disabled Association	112,000	40,000	233,008	40,000	120,000	160,000
New Zealand Sailing Trust Board	208,000	235,538	205,595	40,000	82,798	122,798
New Zealand Tag Football Inc	55,000	44,099	44,099	40,000	2,050	42,050
New Zealand Underwater Association Incorporated	67,764	54,152	54,152	40,000	10,614	50,614
Outward Bound Trust of New Zealand	2,027,867	1,288,181	1,288,179	40,000	120,000	160,000
Sir Peter Blake Marine Education and Recreation Centre	256,615	40,257	92,419	40,000	26,209	66,209
Spirit of Adventure Trust	1,598,000	196,125	196,125	40,000	78,063	118,063
Youthtown Inc	1,755,000	1,202,156	564,533	40,000	120,000	160,000
<b>Total</b>						<b>1,461,697</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>						<b>1,881,092</b>

### New Zealand Sports Foundation Charitable Trust Contribution

16. The New Zealand Sports Foundation Charitable Trust (NZSFCT) has contributed \$500k to the Fund to organisations that align with the NZSFCT objectives:

17. That \$500k contributed 46.5% of the funding provided to the following organisations whose purpose aligns with the objectives of the NZSFCT.

- International Play Association (\$18,829)
- Perry Outdoor Education Trust (\$20,000)
- Pirongia Forest Park Lodge (\$23,488)
- Adventure Specialties Trust (\$58,341)
- AIMS Games Trust (\$89,765)

- Camp Bentzon (Kawau Island) Trust (\$40,000)
- Hillary Outdoors (\$81,174)
- Kokako Lodge (\$54,907)
- Motutapu Outdoor Education Trust (\$60,291)
- NZ Sailing Trust Board (\$122,798)
- Outward Bound Trust of NZ (\$160,000)
- Sir Peter Blake Marine Education and Recreation Centre (\$66,209)
- Spirit of Adventure Trust (\$118,063)
- Youthtown Inc (\$160,000).

### Unsuccessful Applicants

*Ineligible organisations that did not meet the requirement of having national reach*

- Bruce Pulman Park
- Bucklands Beach BJJ
- Fraser Park Sportville Incorporated
- Hamilton Rowing Club Incorporated
- Pop Up Play Limited
- Second Nature Charitable Trust
- Sulphur City Steam Rollers
- Te Puru Community Centre
- Masterton A&P Association.

*Ineligible organisations – did not meet the organisation type requirement*

- IRONMAN New Zealand - Unsuccessful as organisation is a 'for profit' company – not covered by ESS.
- New Zealand Māori Hockey - Organisation has been removed from the Charities office website and costs applied for related to programme delivery – not covered by ESS.

*Unsuccessful applicants – costs not covered*

- Hammertron Ultimate Incorporated - Requested costs relate to programme delivery – not covered by ESS.
- Indoor Cricket New Zealand Incorporated - Requested costs relate to representative teams' overseas tours and uniform – not covered by ESS.
- Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation – No costs incurred in the period funding; their application was for lost revenue – not covered by ESS.