


GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Organization Requesting Grant: <i>(Please list parent/sponsor organizations in parenthesis)</i>	Whistler Skating Club
Name of the program(s) (if applicable):	N/A
Society Registration Number:	S28906
Organization Mailing Address:	PO Box 373, Whistler, BC V0N 1B0
Contact Name & Title:	Vivian Quach, Club Administrator
Organization Phone Number:	
Organization Email Address:	info@whistlerskatingclub.ca
Organization Purpose or Mandate: <i>(Please provide this answer in one sentence)</i>	Provide learn to skate opportunities to the Whistler community, promoting a healthy lifestyle to both youths and adults.
Organization Category (choose between Environment, Social Services, Community Services, Recreation and Sports, Arts and Culture)	Recreation and Sports

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

How many years has the organization existed?	33 years (Inception 1992)
How many active members/participants does the organization have in the current year? <i>(e.g. how many athletes have signed up for this year)</i>	approximately 118 members/participants this current year
For sport organizations, how many youth (U18) participants are enrolled in your programs?	approximately 104 participants are youth (U18)
How many Whistler residents members does the organization have in the current year?	Star skater level there is about 5 who are not local. Most of our membership is local to Whistler and a few travel from Pemberton.
How many volunteers/executive/staff are required to administer the organization in the current year?	4 committed volunteers, 7 board members and 9 paid staff (mix between occasional, part time and full time)
Age range of participants in the organization:	2-65 year olds

Please list active website URLs and active social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.):	https://www.whistlerskatingclub.ca/
What are the membership and participation requirements?	all participants must pay for their membership fees, and own their own skates, helmet/halos and uniforms/costumes
<p>Does the organization have any outstanding debts or other means of funding from the RMOW? If yes, please state the amount and reason.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Please include any Value In Kind support that you receive from the RMOW (eg. reduced rent, utilities in RMOW buildings)</p>	RMOW \$4300 outstanding debt due to COVID. The club is still recovering post pandemic and trying to continue to operate.

GRANT INFORMATION

1. Purpose of Grant	<i>Explain in detail how the funding will be spent. Please refer to Council Policy A-7 Community Enrichment Program, available at www.whistler.ca/cep for funding criteria and eligibility. Please be as concise as possible using the space below.</i>
<p>1) Specialized Coach Travel Expenses (ongoing - annual costs) -- (Squamish to Whistler and return) \$6888.90 Morgan Wentworth is a regionally certified coach and Provincial Coach in training with Skate Canada. She is an essential asset to the club as she is the only coach in the Sea to Sky region with this certification. Her skills in coaching are needed to bring our athletes from the recreational level to the competitive levels. This is an annual, ongoing expense. (124.8km/day x 3days/week x \$0.46/km x 40weeks/season = \$6888.90/season) Government mileage rate increases have not been updated for Morgan since 2019.</p> <p>2) Regular monthly on ice and off ice coaching invoices, competition travel, hotel and expenses for 6 competitions per year (Approximately \$1000 each competition=Total \$6000 total) this covers 1-2 coaches time, travel, hotel and meals. Competitions allow the members to compete and showcase their skills while representing Whistler within the province and potentially nationally.</p> <p>3) Annual Skate Canada membership renewal in September for all coaches (\$168/coach x 5 = \$840)</p> <p>4) One time project to be considered for this season- Guest Trainer Coaching for the youth skaters \$3000.00 (Coach fee, travel, meals and hotel expenses) for 1 seminar. This is an exceptional opportunity for our skaters to learn from a specialized trainer to improve choreography, jumps, spins and other skills outside of our current staff's specialties. It would be a great opportunity for our Whistler skaters to bring a specialized coach up from the city</p> <p>5) Ice Summit Registration \$350/coach when held locally biannually (\$3000 if out of province). The only opportunity for our coaches to access the most relevant level of information to keep our club up to date in the latest techniques, trends and information. Total cost for 1 coach this season is \$350.</p> <p>6) Coach Certification for 1 coach: NCCP (National Coaching Certification Program \$1700 per coach - Regional Certification \$1,000 per coach). The Whistler Skating Club WSC operates under the National mandate of Skate Canada and the club must employ professional coaches to deliver all of its programs. The club would like funding to improve coaches certification levels. Currently we have two coaches who want to pursue further education. This training and certification is vital to the growth of the club.</p> <p>7) Pre CanSkate and CanSkate Supplies approximately \$300 worth of new supplies for the Learn to Skate Programs (this would be to buy new supplies due to damage/wear to keep the program going and add items to assist with the learning. example of items are wagon, bubbles, bingo markers to draw on the ice, pylons, chairs, printing reports/signage etc).</p> <p>8) Costumes \$11,000 to cover fabrics for costumes for our annual Starry Night Show. The amount spent will provide costumes for the show for many years to come.</p> <p>9) Annual solo upcoming music editing required. Approximate 5 new star 5 edits (\$300 per solo x 5 =\$1500) and approximately 5 Star 6 to Gold solos (\$400 per solo x 5 = \$2000) This cost incorporates all the steps/aspects of acquiring a new solo.: music research, editing, solo choreography, editor and choreographers time putting the solo together as directed. The music is used for training purposes and competitions and can be used for more then one year.</p>	

2. Is This a New Program or Activity?	<i>If yes, what are your targets and goals for this program/activity?</i>
<p>No, this is not a new program or activity. With Whistler being more remote our goals continue to be allowing people to stay connected to skating with qualified coaches to help athletes learn, grow and remain competitive.</p>	

3. Current Year Highlights and Community Benefits:	<i>Detail the specifics of activities and community benefits your organization provides.</i>
<p>In our current 2024/2025 season we had our annual show, Starry Night which allows all of our club skaters to put on a performance to showcase their learnings within the current season. The show was put on for all members of the club and the Whistler Community. The show manages to bring the community together to support our youth and adults who are progressing their skills in this sport. It allowed community members to volunteer and participate together in preparing the show and assisting with fundraising events such as the bake sale, silent auction and 50/50 raffle.</p>	

4. Existing Funding and Grant Applications:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>List the specific grants, funding and fundraising planned, approved or pending for the existing year, and</i> 2. <i>Please also list rejected or non-approved funding (with reasons).</i>
<p>We are planning to apply for the following grants:</p> <p>BC Community Gaming Grant Real Estate Association of Whistler Grant Whistler Blackcomb Foundation Grant</p> <p>We run a major fundraiser evening (Starry Night Performance) where the skaters do a performance and the club and volunteers do fundraising such as silent auction, bake sale and 50/50 raffle supporting the club</p>	

GRANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED):

5. Grant Request Amounts and Financial Breakdown:			
<i>Please ensure numbers provided in this table coincide with the required financial documents you provide in your application</i>			
	Annual Operating Budget	Grant Requested	<i>Provide a brief description of the specific amount requested. (Ex: Products, services, staffing roles, advertising, etc.)</i>
Salaries/contracts:	145000	7728.90	Coaches - specialized travel, Skate Canada fees
General operations:	15500	9500	music editing higher level skaters to complete tests and compete, competition coach expenses
One-time project / program:	N/A	3000	Guest Trainer Coaching
Physical assets:	7000	300	Canskate Supplies
Rent (RMOW facilities):	46000	N/A	N/A
Rent (other facilities):	0	N/A	N/A
Other:	15400	11350	Coaching Certification and Costumes for Annual show
Total	\$ 228900	\$ 31878.90	<u>13.93</u>% (Grant request ÷ Annual budget amount)
<i>Reminder: The grant amount requested cannot be more than 50% of the annual operating budget of the organization.</i>			

6. Additional Information:	<i>Please list any additional information, details or explanations regarding your grant request that you would like to be considered by Council.</i>
	<p>The entry level program Canskate is the vital to the successional growth that our club needs to be successful. Supporting our ongoing needs and sustaining us as a community skating club is mostly independent because of CanSkate.</p> <p>We are trying to stay financially stable, and continue to grow our membership as we recover from restrictions during COVID. The club wants to be able to continue to draw in skaters of all ages within the community with future programs such as, 50+ Mature Action Skating group and current programs like Adult Learn to Skate and Adult Skills Development, Pre CanSkate and CanSkate programs promoting young skaters to represent Whistler.</p> <p>We suffered a setback this season due to extenuating circumstances where our 25 year old costume collection was unfortunately given away by the storage facility. They sent email follow ups to an unmonitored email address and after receiving no response they decided to give our costumes away. A devastating loss for our annual fundraising show. We put out a plea to the community and did recover some costumes but less than 20%. We are requesting a grant which would help replenish the costume collection and get us back on track to be able to run our annual fundraiser show: Starry Night (held annually in December).</p>

7. Attachments:	Please indicate the attachments you are including with your Grant Application Form:
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- Financial Statement (audited preferred) or Organization Budget (**Required**)
- Proof (copy) of registered not-for-profit society status or registered charity status (**Required**)
- Other:** budget sheet for costumes is attached as a excel document

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

<p>8. Please describe how your organization can contribute to the RMOW Strategic Plan:</p>	<p>Please visit https://www.whistler.ca/municipal-gov/strategies-and-plans/strategic-plan/ to learn about the four priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Climate Action 3. Community Engagement 4. Smart Tourism <p>Please determine how your grant (or organization) can contribute to fulfilling any priorities described in the four areas listed above. Each priority has numerous specifications to choose from while describing how your grant (or organization) may help to improve Strategic Plan.</p>
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Example: This grant addresses the priority of "Community Engagement" because it strives to connect locals to each other. Specifically, this is because...

This grant addresses three priority areas of RMOW 2023-2026 Strategic plan. Please see numbers below:

2. CanSkate is a program offered at various times throughout the week. We are starting to offer more of these sessions which help parents who can't find childcare at a certain time. This also allows parents to carpool their children. This means less emissions from vehicles when we can keep these programs running.

3. The club hosts a Starry Night show once a year and creates community engagement and allows people to discover this sport. It keeps the lives of our children connected, engaged, healthy and in pursuit of athletic development while meeting other people in the community. The adult skating programs have had some more registration and has brought the adult community together through this sport.

4. Other skaters visit Whistler with their families either staying in a hotel or in their second homes and they enjoy having the opportunity to skate while they are away from their home Club. We will allow people to join sessions if they have their Skate Canada membership and when we have the availability and coaching.

SUPPORT FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for planning on unceded territories, as currently managed by the provincial government; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.

9. How has your organization considered truth and reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations?

Over the last year, Skate Canada has launched several initiatives aimed at bridging the gap between the sport of figure skating and Indigenous communities. These efforts have not only celebrated the Indigenous heritage but also sought to dispel misconceptions and create an inclusive space for all Canadians. As part of its 2022-2026 Strategic Plan, Skate Canada is committed to continued outreach and building meaningful relationships.

As a club we received approval in December from the RMOW to be able to teach the children at Q'aLaTKu7eM Community School Sea to Sky School District 48 on public sessions to continue to work towards reconciliation with the Indigenous Nations. We hope within the coming seasons we can secure scheduling with the school to be able to offer lessons during their field trips to Meadow Park Sports Centre.

GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

Submitted by:	Vivian Quach	
Phone number:	[REDACTED]	
Email:	info@whistlerskatingclub.ca	
Acknowledgement:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the information provided in this CEP Grant Application Form is true; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that a representative is required to present this grant request at a future Council Meeting; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that if any amount is granted that the Grant Reporting Form is due by December 1 of this year; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I confirm that if any amount is granted, it will be used only for its intended purpose unless otherwise approved by Council.	
Signature:	[REDACTED]	Digitally signed by Vivian Quach Date: 2025.02.14 08:49:31 -08'00'

Funding decisions will be announced during a Regular Council Meeting in April 2025.

Please contact the Legislative Services Department at corporate@whistler.ca if you require any assistance.

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