



## Ridge Meadows Minor Hockey Financial Assistance Program

The RMMHA Financial Assistance Program provides financial subsidy to minor hockey players who are experiencing difficulty securing funds to participate in the game of hockey. This program provides financial support for Association registration fees only through the assistance of the Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows Parks & Leisure Services Participation Program.

All applicants must adhere to the following guidelines:

1. All applicants should first apply to external subsidy programs (eg Kidsport, Canadian Tire Jumpstart) before making application for assistance through the RMMHA Financial Assistance Program.
2. Deadline for applications is December 15 of the current hockey season.
3. Any applicant may play at either the rep or house level; however, any player receiving assistance for their registration fees must agree to fulfil their individual team's financial obligation.
4. Upon approval, families receiving financial assistance are expected to provide volunteer hours throughout the season, where needed and/or requested.

The number of applications approved is subject to available funding.

Due to the nature of information involved, the Subsidy Committee shall consist of a minimum of four members of the Board of Directors and a non-Board member who will act as an “Approver”. The Registrar shall automatically be a member of the Subsidy Committee. The Approver will review all applications and present qualified candidates to the Subsidy Committee for approval, noting only the number of players and amounts requested. The names of players and families will be kept in confidence by the Approver. At no time will the committee have knowledge of applicant’s identities, other than the Approver, who will submit the list of names to the Bookkeeper for entry into the accounting program. The Registrar must also be advised of the players and amounts approved for subsidy so that payment can be recorded in HCR under the player’s account.

The combined total of funds being requested of the Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows Parks & Leisure Services (PLS) shall be submitted by the Approver, including the names of each player, contact information, amount of the subsidy requested and the full registration fee of the player. All personal information will be protected and will not be used for any other purpose other than reference to the funding provided.

Applications and questions can be forwarded to [subsidy@ridgemeanowshockey.com](mailto:subsidy@ridgemeanowshockey.com). Applications may be accepted by email to the above address, or by sealed envelope dropped off at the Planet Ice Hockey Office before December 15<sup>th</sup> of the current hockey season.