

Fund Background



The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Leisure and Community Services strongly believes it is important for everyone to participate in leisure activities which help develop important skills, self esteem and confidence.

Access to funding has been created to allow individuals the opportunity to participate in recreation and culture programs without financial barriers. The joinIN! program offers subsidy for any programs offered by the Town for residents of all ages.

Funding sources include : Annual Ribfest and donations from the community.

Stress relieving puzzle pieces

Make a donation (\$2 minimum) to support the fund, and receive a stress relieving puzzle piece for your contribution. 100% of the proceeds go to the joinIN! Fund.

Available at the WS Leisure Centre

For more information on making a donation, please call 905-642-7529

The **joinIN!** committee meets one month prior to program start. You will be notified with your application results. Should you wish to discuss the application process, please contact the number listed below. Applications are available online in the Recreation—



Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Recreation Subsidy Fund



Contact

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Frequently Asked Questions



How do I Qualify?

You must be:

- Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Resident
- Have a combined family income less than the Low Income Cutoffs. (see application form)

How do I apply?

You must submit :

Proof of Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville residency *by attaching a copy of a property tax bill, utility bill, driver's license or similar documentation with your address on it.*

A completed Financial Assistance Application form with the previous year's income tax return (Notice of Assessment) attached for all income sources.

Application forms are available at the WS Leisure Centre and online. Complete the application and return it to the WS Leisure Centre. You will be contacted with the decision within a few days.

Each family member, living in the same household, will qualify individually.

A parent or legal guardian must complete the application for dependents under 18

Once qualified, how does funding work?

Direct Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Programs, listed in the Leisure Guide, are available for residents of all ages to participate in 1 activity per season.

For example one of the following: swimming lessons, **OR** a 2 month membership, **OR** 10 admissions to Leisure Swimming, Leisure Skating, Drop-in activities or W/S walks;

Each family member, once approved, will receive a maximum of \$100.00 per session. Funds must be used within 1 year of receiving assistance.

Can I use my allotment towards my child's activities? (Can funds be transferred?)

No. Individual allotments cannot be transferred to other individuals or family members.

Do I have to contribute to pay for programs?

If an activity or membership costs more than the allotted amount, the remaining fees would be owing, This will be considered on an individual basis.

Does approval of my application guarantee my program choice?

No. Registration in an activity is dependent on space availability. It is best to submit the appli-

cation form prior to the registration date.

When and how can I register for a program?

Once approved, check registration dates in the Leisure Guide or at www.townofws.ca Registration forms can be dropped off or done in person.

However, if the registration form accompanies the subsidy application, you will be registered once registration opens, based on first come, first served.

Once my qualifying year is up, can I receive more funding?

If you continue to meet the eligibility, re-application is required every 12 months. Applications for the next year must be made prior to the end of your current enrollment period.



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