



WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY YOUTH TRAVEL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Purpose:

The Youth Travel Assistance Grant Program applies to residents of the West Hants Regional Municipality 22 years of age or under, involved in non-profit minor sports or cultural activities, who have qualified to compete in sport championships/cultural events. Grants are intended to assist with the cost of travel to and from the event location only, where round trip travel exceeds 450 kilometers.

Criteria:

- Individuals or team members applying must be 22 years of age or under
- Individuals or team members applying must be residents of the West Hants Regional Municipality
- All team/group applications must have the majority of their team/group residents from the West Hants Regional Municipality.
- Grants will only be provided to non-profit minor sports teams that are registered and are in good standing with the Nova Scotia Registry of Joint Stocks Companies.
- Individuals or teams must have been selected and/or won their way to compete in a sanctioned event at a Provincial, Eastern Canadian, National or International level.
- The event must be a recognized provincial, national or international championship/event.
- Individuals or non-profit groups involved in cultural activities ie. Dance, music etc. are eligible to apply.
- Individuals or non-profit groups involved in cultural activities must have achieved a level or standard of skill, as established by the recognized governing body of the activity, to qualify to participate in the event for which a travel grant is requested.
- Grants will only be provided where round trip travel to a competition exceeds 450 kilometers.
- An individual or team/group member will be eligible for one grant per calendar year.
- Individuals or team/group members participating for an educational institution (school team) are not eligible to apply.
- A total budget must accompany the application showing both revenue and expenditures.

Allowable amounts

Individuals or teams will be eligible for up to the following amounts, based on the location of the competition they are attending.

- **Nova Scotia/New Brunswick/Prince Edward Island**
Up to \$75 individual / \$300 per team
- **Newfoundland/Quebec/Ontario/ U.S. Eastern Time Zone**
Up to \$150 individual / \$400 per team
- **Manitoba/ Saskatchewan/Alberta/ British Columbia/ All other U.S.**
Up to \$200 individual/\$500 per team
- **Yukon/Northwest Territories/Nunavut/ Other International**
Up to \$250 individual/ \$750 per team

Annually the Municipality will budget money to assist with groups or individuals under the Youth Travel Assistance Fund. These requests are to be made directly to the Community Development Department and are not considered part of the Recreation Grant process. Grants will only be awarded to the extent that the current fiscal budget permits. When funds in this

account are exhausted, no further grants will be reviewed until the next annual budget is approved.