

# Opportunity Sports Foundation



*Developing the Potential of People Through Sport*

## **ONE YEAR SPORTS PROGRAMME** GRANT APPLICATION

## Our Mission

OSF's very existence - why we do what we do - is described through the following mission statement.

*To advance in life and help especially, but not exclusively, disadvantaged young people through the provision of sporting, recreational, and leisure time activities. These activities will be provided in the interest of social welfare to increase the capacities and capabilities of young people so that they can positively participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.*

## Our Vision

Our ultimate goal is the all-round development of the latent potential of young people mainly but not only through sporting activities. We see sport as an innovative and positive vehicle that will develop life skills to full potential. OSF will provide young people, of the North West, with long-term real opportunities that will reduce unemployment, advance their education, increase their health and well-being and most importantly change their lives.

## Our Values

Our unbreakable core relationship is directly with the young people we serve (our clients). It is critical to the success of our work that we build up a mutual trust that will enable our young clients to enter into the OSF family with confidence. Our key values are as follows:

- The OSF team, who are directly involved with young people and children, will be thoroughly and continually vetted via the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB).
- We will continue to be totally open, responsive, and transparent in our relationships with clients, partners, the Charity Commission, and staff.
- Client confidentiality will be an extremely high factor that cannot be breached unless there is a serious risk to the client or others.
- Flexibility, responsiveness, and innovation will be a feature and benefit of our work.
- Our sports coaches will regularly consult with sponsors and clients in an endeavour to reach a common understanding and ensure we provide exactly what is needed.
- The skill of listening and communicating effectively is a value we intend to continually revisit.
- We will always accept full responsibility for our decisions and actions.
- All funds received will be recycled back into OSF because of our non-profit making status.



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## How does it work?

**Opportunity Sports Foundation will apply for a grant of up to £10,000 on your behalf to run a sports programme for one year.**

These grants are applied for from a number of grant giving organisations.

The bulk of the funding will be used to get professional coaches to come and deliver the sports.

On top of this, to provide sustainability to the sports, part of the funding would be used to provide people at your organisation with coaching badges so that they can deliver the sports sessions in the coming years. The grant will also provide some equipment meaning everything will be in place to run projects of this nature in future years.

There is absolutely no cost involved in the grant writing process so should the grant be unsuccessful it will not cost a thing. You literally have nothing to lose.

## How does it help OSF?

OSF is a charity and therefore cannot make a profit of any kind. We can however reinvest money into the charity meaning we can keep running all our community projects, examples of which involve providing free coaching to young homeless individuals and local looked after children.

It also means that we can provide more jobs for local coaches and in turn provide even more community projects. It is our aim to provide free sports coaching to all throughout the local area.

## The Coaches

All coaches are Enhanced Criminal Record Bureau checked and many have been former professional athletes at the pinnacle of their sport. They all aim to make the participants as good as they can possibly be.



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If you decide to go ahead with the grant application there are a few details we will need to take from yourself:

- **Two contacts from your organisation**

Contact 1 • Name:

Address (of organisation):

Email (work):

Telephone (work):

Position in organisation:

Contact 2 • Name:

Address (of organisation):

Email (work):

Telephone (work):

Position in organisation:

- **Public Liability insurance number**

- **VAT Registration number**

(If applicable - most schools are not VAT registered)

- **Child Protection Policy**

Hard copy or an electronic copy can be emailed to [info@opportunitysports.org](mailto:info@opportunitysports.org)

Please return this form to:

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