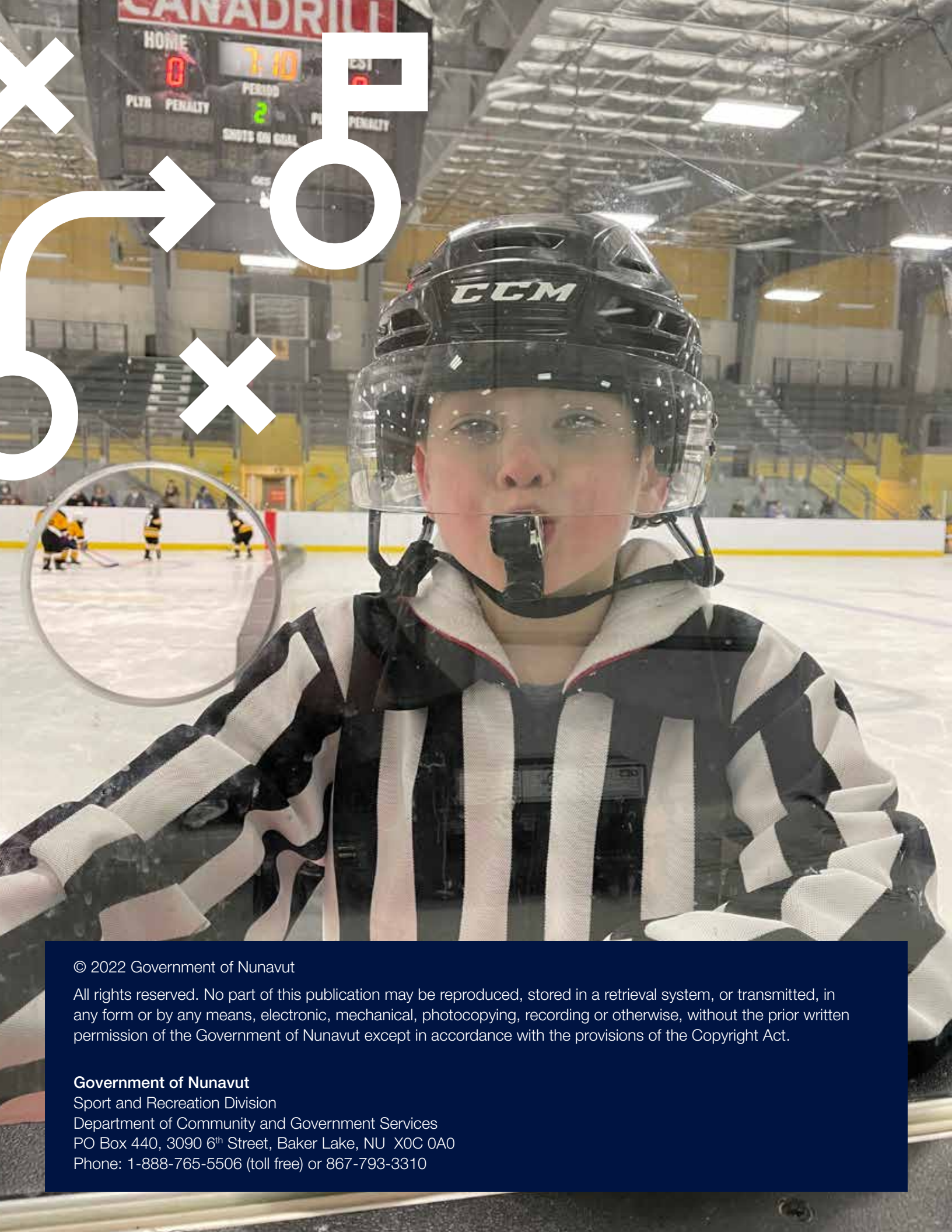




The Post-Season Report

Sport and Recreation Division
2020–21 Impact Report





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I am pleased to present the Sport and Recreation Division 2020–21 Impact Report, which highlights the incredible work of community leaders and organizations to promote, develop, and deliver sport, physical activity, and recreation opportunities for Nunavummiut.

The Department of Community and Government Services supported this important work in 2020–21 by investing over \$4.4 million dollars in the Sport and Recreation Grants and Contributions Program. The department also released *Nunaliit Aulajut: Nunavut's Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Framework 2020–2030* to guide the sector throughout the decade.

Delivering sport and recreation during the COVID-19 pandemic has required creativity, resourcefulness, and collaboration. Travel restrictions put in place to keep our communities safe put a renewed emphasis on both community-based programs and opportunities for families to spend time together pursuing traditional and land-based recreational activities.

This report showcases some of the innovative approaches used, including hosting virtual events, providing remote training, creating online resources, developing partnerships to implement programming, and focusing on delivering community-based events. Community leaders and volunteers demonstrated impressive commitment to ensuring that quality programs and events continued in our communities last year, and thousands of Nunavummiut benefitted from their dedication and effort.

I look forward to continuing our support for initiatives that contribute to the development of active, healthy, and thriving people and communities in Nunavut.

Thank you,
David Joanase



Honourable David Joanase
Minister of Community and
Government Services





Impact Report

In 2019, the Sport and Recreation Division introduced a new *Sport and Recreation Grants and Contributions Policy* and subsequently published the first annual *Impact Report* to demonstrate how the funding was distributed and used in 2019–20.

In 2020, the Division released *Nunaliit Aulajut: Nunavut's Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Framework 2020–2030*.

The *2020–21 Impact Report* illustrates how the Sport and Recreation Division's funding and programs support organizations, communities, and students and also how they contribute to fulfilling the goals of the Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation (SPAR) Framework. Further, the report summarizes the effects of COVID-19 on the Division's funding and programs and highlights community-based programming that took place during the pandemic.



Specifically, the *Impact Report* shares the following information about the 2020–21 Grants and Contributions Program as well as the Division's two direct delivery programs, the Team Nunavut Major Games Program and the Sport Awards:

Grants and Contributions Program

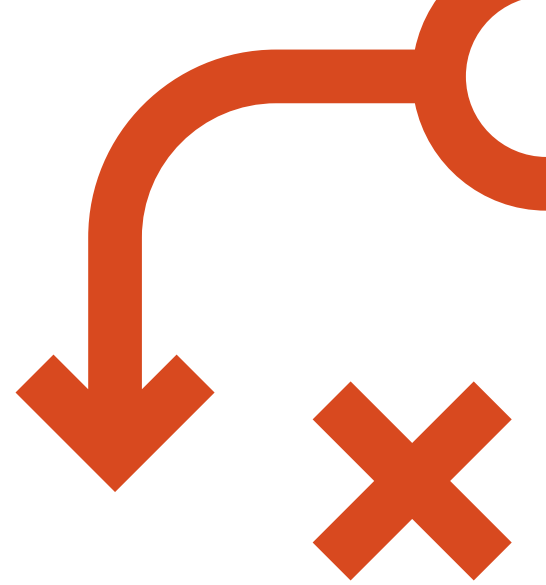
- **Purpose:** What the purpose of the funding is and the types of activities funded.
- **Connection to SPAR:** Which goals of the SPAR Framework the funding supports.
- **Eligibility:** Who can apply for the funding.
- **Recipients:** Who received the funding.
- **Investment:** How much funding was approved and spent.
- **Impact:** Statistics that show the impact of the funding.
- **Highlights:** Examples of how the funding was used.
- **Impact of COVID-19:** How COVID-19 affected the use of the funding.

Direct Delivery Programs

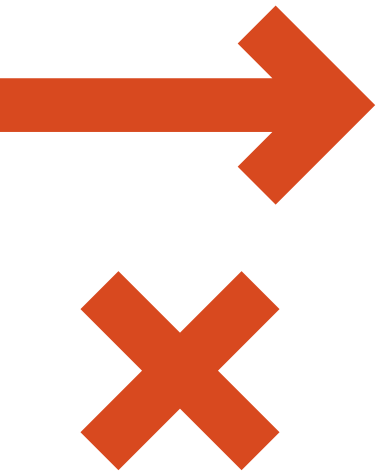
- **Overview:** What program activities took place.
- **Connection to SPAR:** Which goals of the SPAR Framework the programs support.
- **Eligibility:** Who can be part of the programs.
- **Participants:** Who was part of the programs.
- **Investment:** How much money was projected and spent on the programs.
- **Impact:** Statistics that show the impact of the programs.
- **Highlights:** Examples of accomplishments related to the programs.
- **Impact of COVID-19:** How COVID-19 affected the programs.



Sport and Recreation Division



The Sport and Recreation Division is responsible for the promotion, development, and delivery of sport, physical activity, and recreation opportunities for all Nunavummiut.



Fulfilling this mandate is a team effort that requires contributions from teammates in the territory and across the country.

Within Nunavut, the Division works together with municipal governments as well as territorial and community non-profit organizations that provide sport, physical activity, and recreation programs and services.

Outside the territory, the Division collaborates with the Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation branches from the other provincial and territorial governments and the federal government plus national and international organizations responsible for various aspects of sport and recreation, including Aboriginal sport, coaching development, and major games delivery.

Beyond the sport and recreation sector, the Division supports other groups seeking to

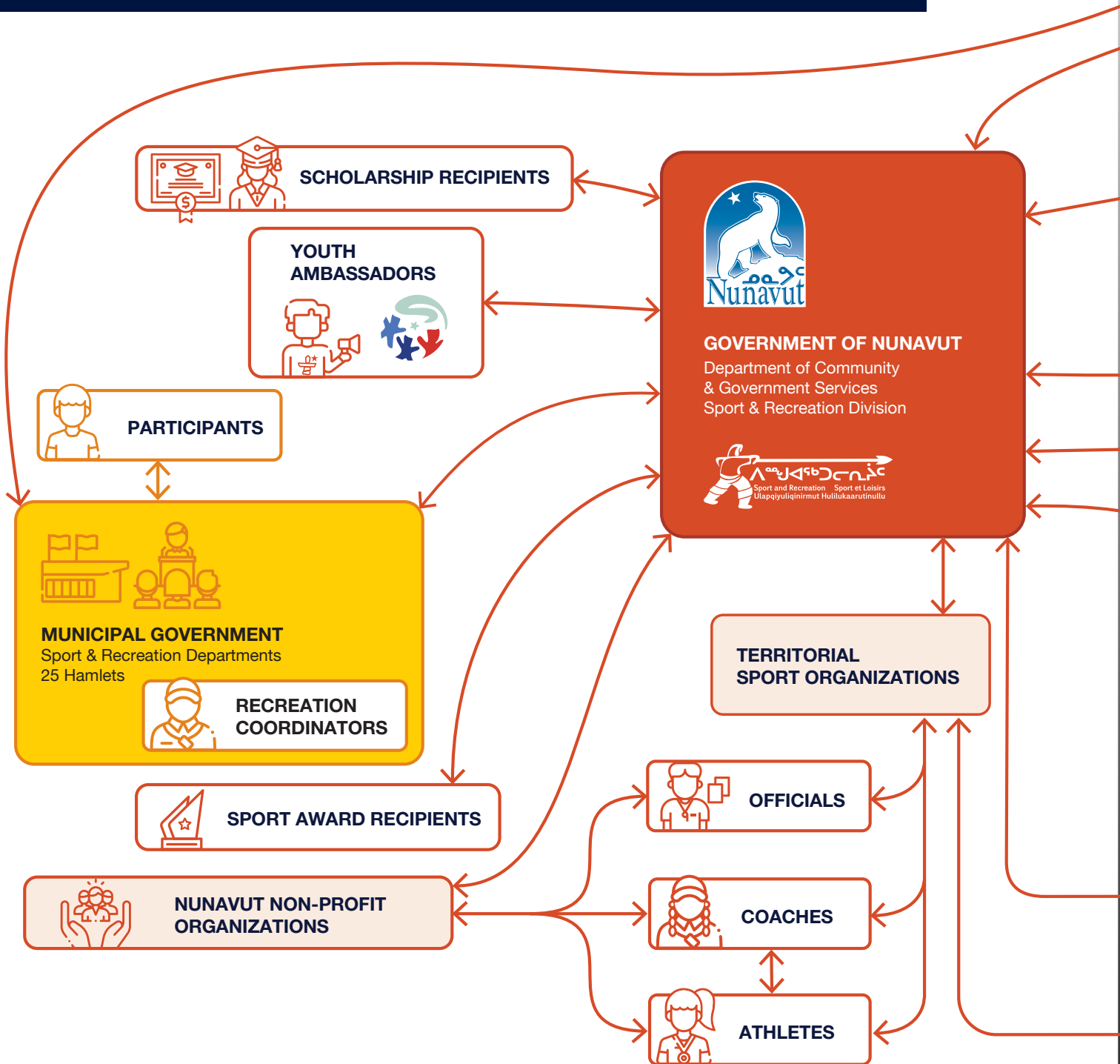
use sport, physical activity, and recreation to achieve goals like developing youth leadership and improving physical and mental health.

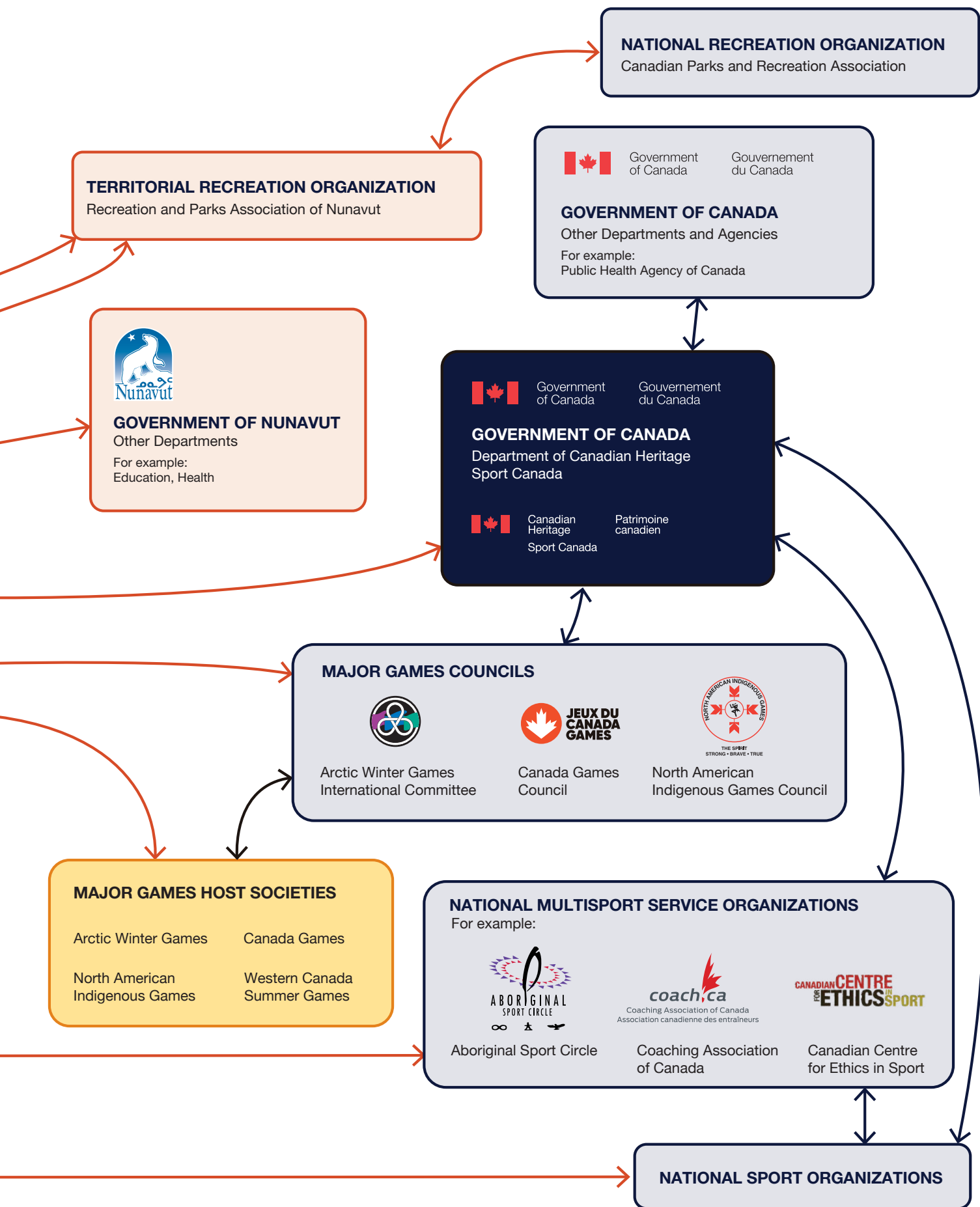
The Division's work is guided by *Nunaliit Aulajut: Nunavut's Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Framework 2020–2030* as well as priorities outlined for the Department of Community and Government Services in other Government of Nunavut plans including the *Government of Nunavut & Territorial Corporations Business Plan* and *Inuusivut Anninaqtuq*.

The Division also plays its part in advancing national priorities related to sport, physical activity, and recreation, which are outlined in the *Canadian Sport Policy, A Common Vision for Increasing Physical Activity and Decreasing Sedentary Living in Canada*, and *A Framework for Recreation in Canada*.



Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Sector in Nunavut





Nunavut's Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Framework

Nunaliit Aulajut: Nunavut's Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation Framework 2020–2030 is the territory's first framework for sport, physical activity, and recreation.

Released in 2020–21 by the Sport and Recreation Division, the SPAR Framework builds on existing national policies and priorities and was developed in consultation with SPAR stakeholders across Nunavut.

Inuit societal values are the foundation for the SPAR Framework's five goals, which guide the delivery of sport, physical activity, and recreation in Nunavut until 2030.

The Sport and Recreation Division is working on implementing the Framework's goals in cooperation with the many people, groups, and communities who share an interest in advancing sport, physical activity, and recreation in ways that benefit health, well-being, and quality of life in Nunavut.



Goal #1

Active Lifestyles

Promote an active lifestyle and encourage everyone to be active in some way, every day.



Goal #2

Programs and Services

Ensure there are a variety of opportunities for everyone to participate in safe, inclusive, accessible, and culturally-relevant sport, physical activity, and recreation.



Goal #3

Leadership and Capacity

Recruit, train, and retain sport and recreation staff, volunteers, and youth leaders. Promote career opportunities and work to professionalize the sector.



Goal #4

Connect and Collaborate

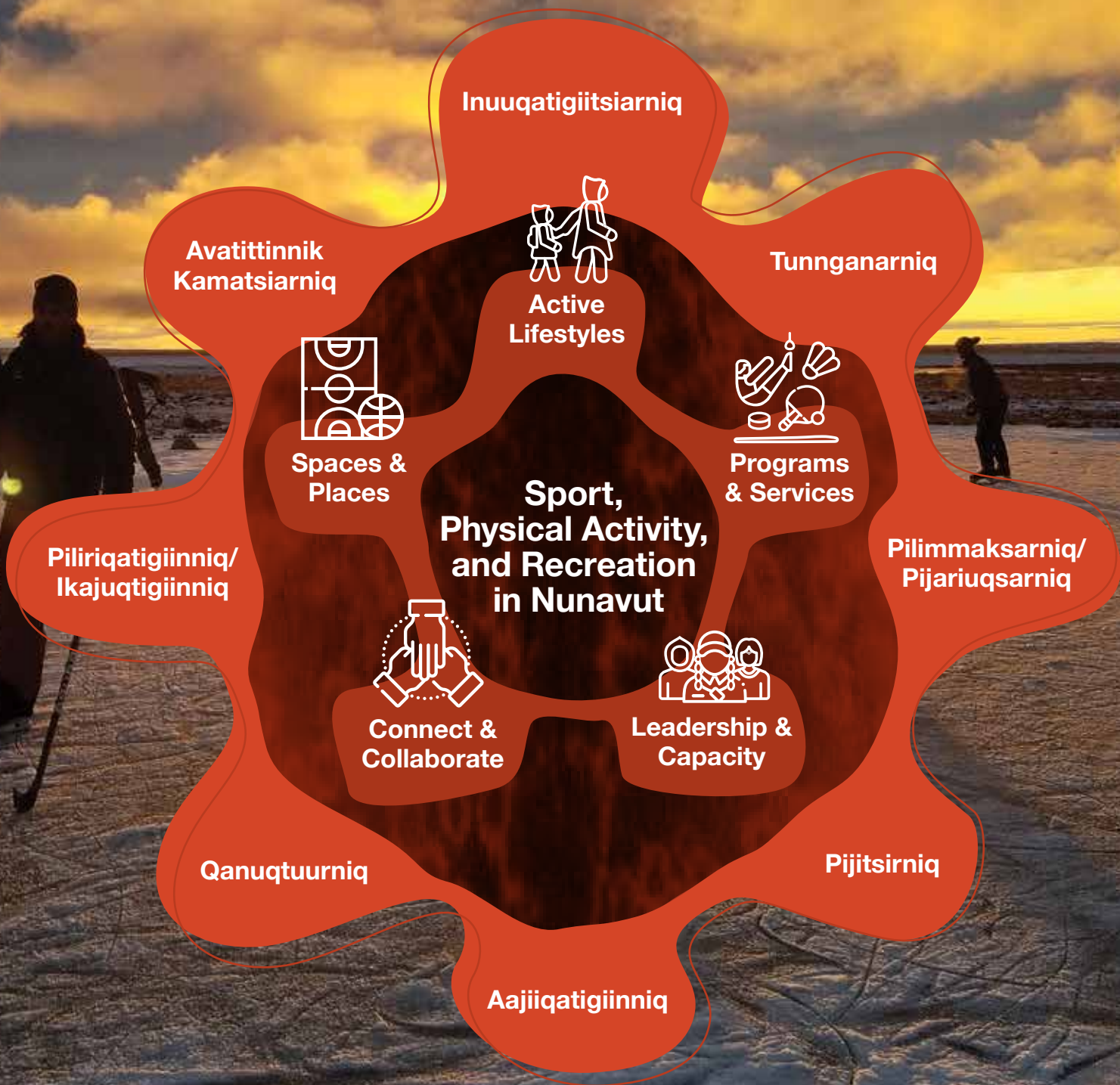
Strengthen connections within communities, across government departments, and throughout the sector to make it easier to work together.



Goal #5

Spaces and Places

Dedicate more indoor and outdoor facilities and areas for sport, physical activity, and recreation. Keep these spaces and places safe, well-serviced, accessible, and welcoming to all.



Overview

The Sport and Recreation Grants and Contributions Program is one strategy that the Division uses to fulfill its mandate and work towards achieving the goals of the SPAR Framework.

The *Sport and Recreation Grants and Contributions Policy 2019–2023* governs the distribution of funding to organizations and individuals whose programs, events, and activities align with the goals and priorities of the Sport and Recreation Division, Department of Community and Government Services, Government of Nunavut, and Canadian Sport, Physical Activity, and Recreation sector.

Purpose

Funding is divided into seven “schedules”. Each schedule serves a different purpose by allocating funds to support various organizations and activities, as outlined below.

Additionally, the Government of Canada established a new COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Sport Organizations in 2020. The Sport and Recreation Division distributed the sport funding allocated to Nunavut through a one-time Sport and Recreation COVID-19 Program Support Fund administered through the Grants and Contributions Program.



Schedule 1

Municipal Support



Schedule 2

Territorial Organization Support



Schedule 3

Team Nunavut Athlete Development Support



Schedule 4

Traditional Sport/ Inuit Games Support



Schedule 5

Community Events



Schedule 6

Nunavut Sport for Life



Schedule 7

Scholarship Program

































Sport and Recreation COVID-19 Program Support Fund


















Connection to SPAR Framework

The Grants and Contributions Program accomplishes one of the objectives of the SPAR Framework's Goal #2 Programs and Services: Administer timely, accessible, and useful funding that supports a range of programs, events, and training.

Further, the programs and activities funded through the Grants and Contributions Program support the following goals of the SPAR Framework:

Funding	SPAR Framework Goal				
	Goal #1 Active Lifestyles	Goal #2 Programs and Services	Goal #3 Leadership and Capacity	Goal #4 Connect and Collaborate	Goal #5 Spaces and Places
 Schedule 1 Municipal Support					
 Schedule 2 Territorial Organization Support					
 Schedule 3 Team Nunavut Athlete Development Support					
 Schedule 4 Traditional Sport/Inuit Games Support					
 Schedule 5 Community Events					
 Schedule 6 Nunavut Sport for Life					
 Schedule 7 Scholarship Program					
 Sport and Recreation COVID-19 Program Support Fund					

Eligibility

	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4	Schedule 5	Schedule 6	Schedule 7	COVID-19 Support Fund
 Municipal corporations								
 Non-profit organizations								
 Post-secondary students								

Recipients



Municipal Corporations

City of Iqaluit
 Hamlet of Arctic Bay
 Hamlet of Arviat
 Hamlet of Baker Lake
 Hamlet of Cambridge Bay
 Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet
 Hamlet of Coral Harbour
 Hamlet of Gjoa Haven
 Hamlet of Grise Fiord
 Hamlet of Kugaaruk
 Hamlet of Kugluktuk
 Hamlet of Pangnirtung
 Hamlet of Pond Inlet
 Hamlet of Resolute Bay
 Hamlet of Taloyoak
 Hamlet of Whale Cove
 Municipality of Clyde River
 Municipality of Igloolik
 Municipality of Kimmirut
 Municipality of Kinngait
 Municipality of Nauyasat
 Municipality of Qikiqtaaluk
 Municipality of Rankin Inlet
 Municipality of Sanikiluaq
 Municipality of Sanirajak



Non-Profit Organizations

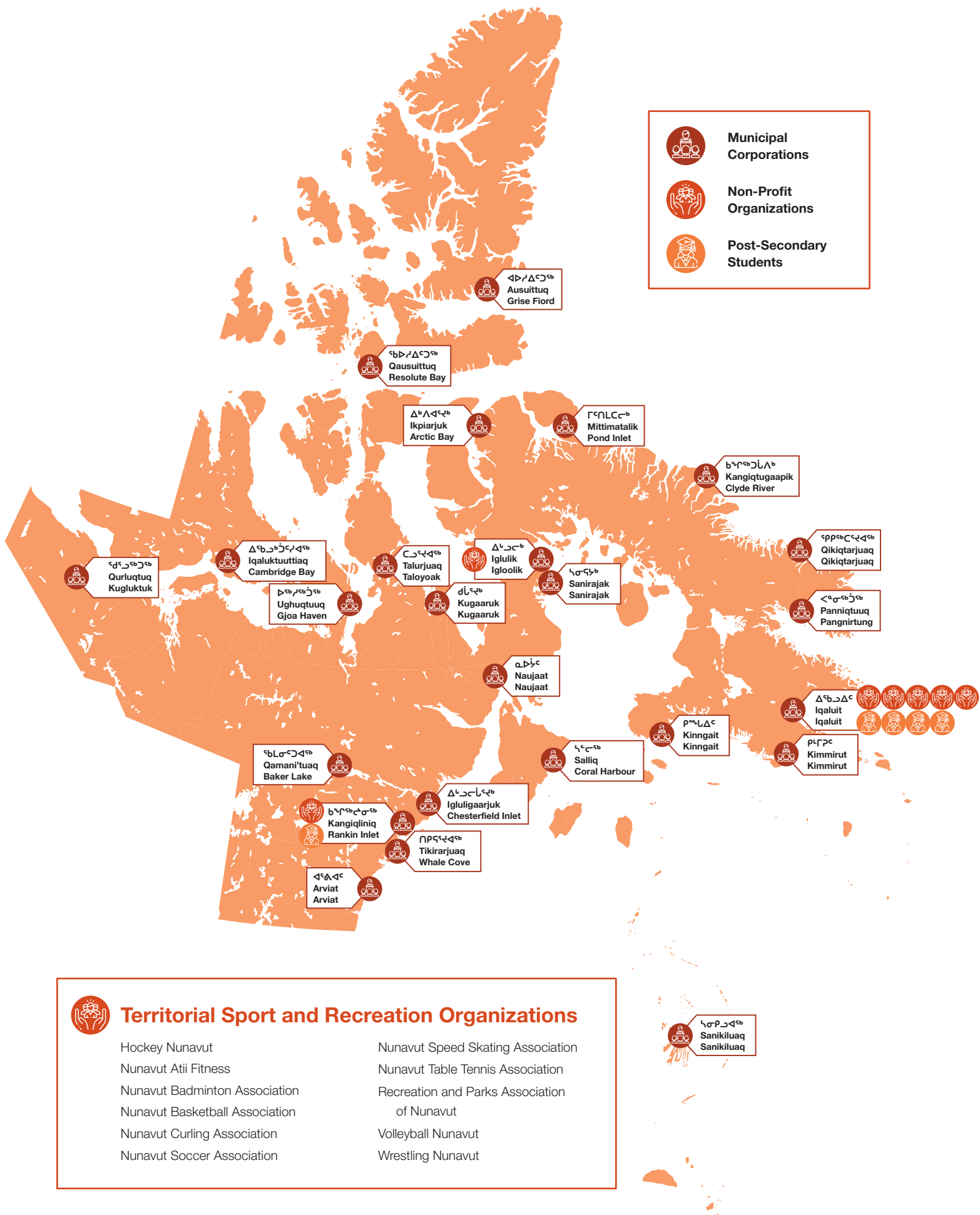
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 Artcirc (Igloolik)
 CPE Les Petits Nanooks (Iqaluit)
 Hockey Nunavut
 Iqaluit Skating Club (Iqaluit)
 Iqaluit Taekwon Do Society (Iqaluit)
 Nunavut Atii Fitness
 Nunavut Badminton Association
 Nunavut Basketball Association
 Nunavut Curling Association
 Nunavut Soccer Association
 Nunavut Speed Skating Association
 Nunavut Table Tennis Association
 Rankin Inlet Fitness Society (Rankin Inlet)
 Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut
 Tundra Buddies Daycare (Iqaluit)
 Volleyball Nunavut
 Wrestling Nunavut



Post-Secondary Students

Alayna Ningeongan (Rankin Inlet)
 Aleksander Hejnowicz (Iqaluit)
 Alex McDermott (Iqaluit)
 Hayden Hickey (Iqaluit)
 Kudi Okah (Iqaluit)





Highlights



373

participants took part in **Rankin Inlet's Sport for Life** programming, including a hockey camp, introductory lacrosse camp, and softball tournament.



2,350

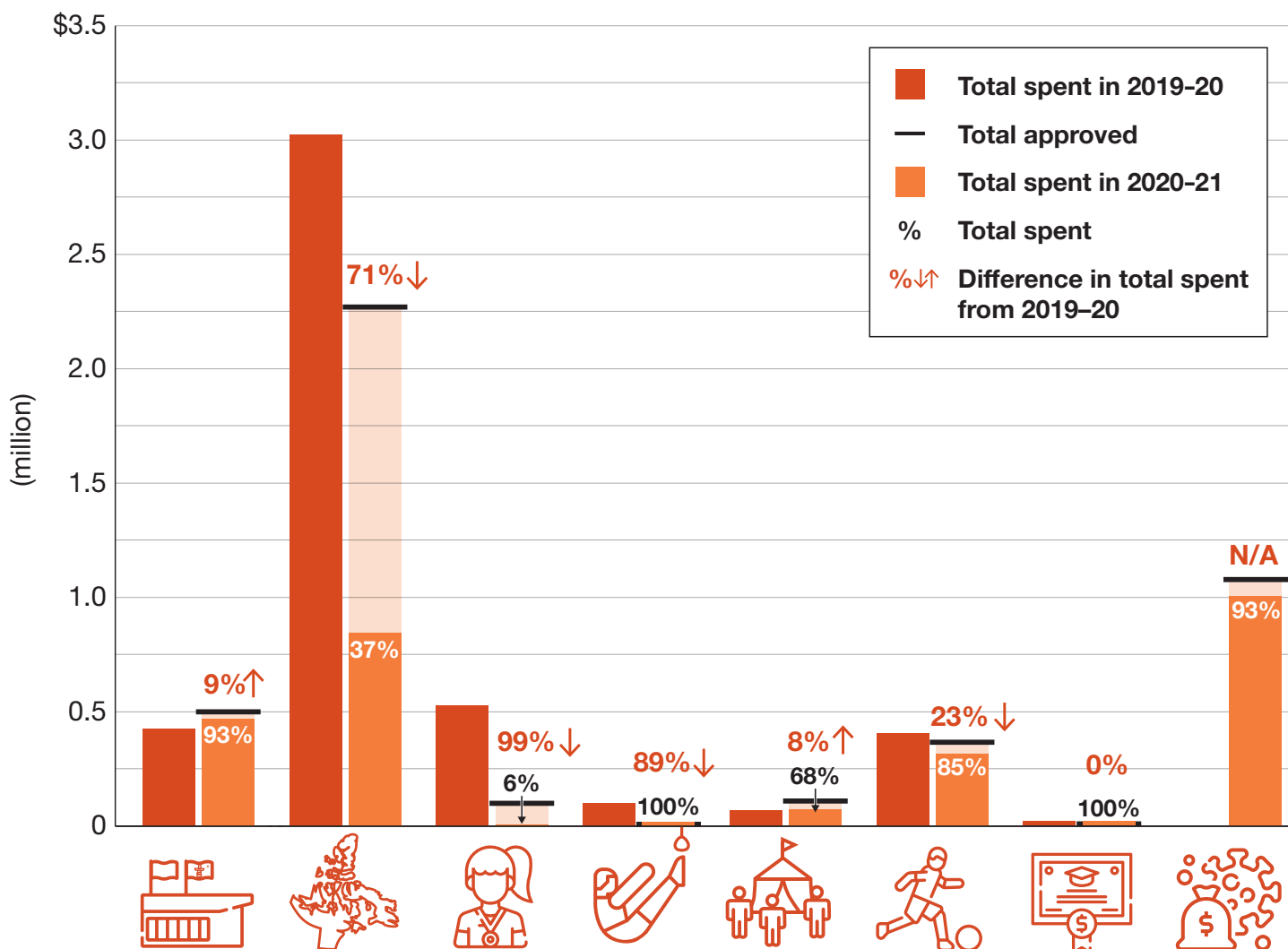
people participated in **capacity development initiatives** delivered by Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut.

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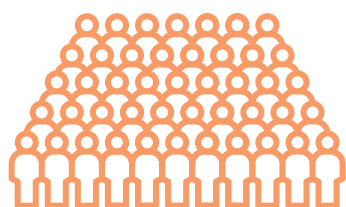
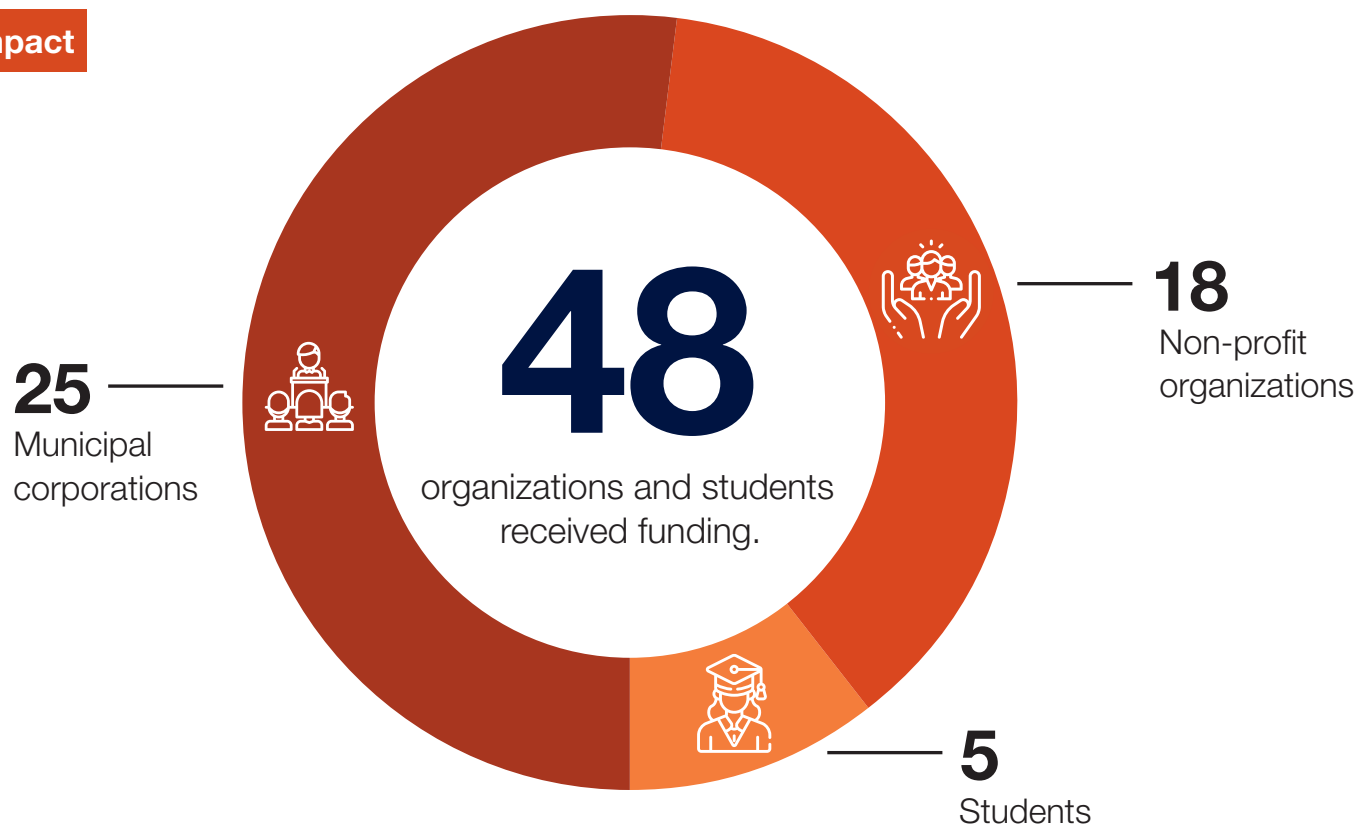
communities enjoyed **traditional recreation opportunities** during community celebrations like Hamlet Day and Nunavut Day.



Investment



Impact



13,650+

people participated in sport and recreation events and programs.



Impact of COVID-19

- **Municipalities and organizations focused on delivering community-based activities** instead of intercommunity events.
- **Organizations and municipalities relied on leaders within communities** rather than clinicians from outside of communities to deliver sport-related clinics and programs.
- **All major games were postponed** to protect participant safety.
- **Virtual events replaced in-person events when possible**, which sometimes allowed more people to participate.
- **Some municipalities adjusted planned projects** when technicians from outside the territory were not able to travel to Nunavut to complete installations or repairs of speciality equipment.

Schedule 1

Municipal Support

Purpose

To enhance access to sport and recreation programming in communities through:

- Purchase or construction of capital assets, including recreational equipment and supplies.
- Renovations or repairs to recreation facilities.
- Other projects supporting increased accessibility to recreational programming.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1

Active Lifestyles



Goal #2

Programs & Services



Goal #5

Spaces & Places



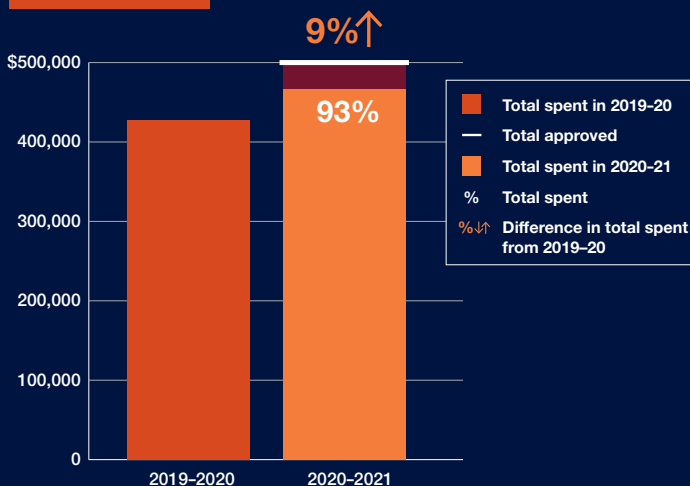
Municipal Corporations

Recipients

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Hamlet of Arctic Bay
Hamlet of Arviat
Hamlet of Baker Lake
Hamlet of Cambridge Bay
Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet
Hamlet of Coral Harbour
Hamlet of Gjoa Haven
Hamlet of Grise Fiord
Hamlet of Kugaaruk
Hamlet of Kugluktuk
Hamlet of Pangnirtung
Hamlet of Pond Inlet

Hamlet of Resolute Bay
Hamlet of Taloyoak
Hamlet of Whale Cove
Municipality of Clyde River
Municipality of Igloolik
Municipality of Kimmirut
Municipality of Kinngait
Municipality of Nauyasat
Municipality of Qikiqtaaluk
Municipality of Rankin Inlet
Municipality of Sanikiluaq
Municipality of Sanirajak

Investment



Impact

25



municipal corporations received funding.

For the first time,

100%

of Nunavut communities received Schedule 1 funding.

Highlights



Across the territory, **arenas** received various upgrades, including **new doors, flooring, plexiglass, sprinklers,** and **heating and refrigeration systems.**

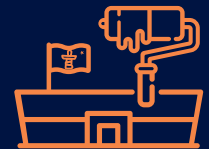
Municipality of Sanikiluaq purchased a **Zamboni.**



The **recreation complex** in **Kugluktuk** was **repainted.**



A **heating system** was installed for **Arviat's indoor playground.**



Impact of COVID-19

Due to travel restrictions, some municipalities were not able to bring in external technicians or other specialists to install or repair specialty equipment as originally planned before the pandemic.



Schedule 2

Territorial Organization Support

Purpose

To support programs and services offered by Territorial Sport and Recreation Organizations, including:

- **Tournaments, Camps, and Clinics:** Tournaments, training camps, and development clinics for athletes.
- **Capacity Development:** Training for coaches, officials, and recreation leaders.
- **Operational Support:** Administrative expenses like insurance and audits.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1

Active
Lifestyles



Goal #2

Programs &
Services



Goal #3

Leadership &
Capacity

Eligibility



Territorial Sport
and Recreation
Organizations

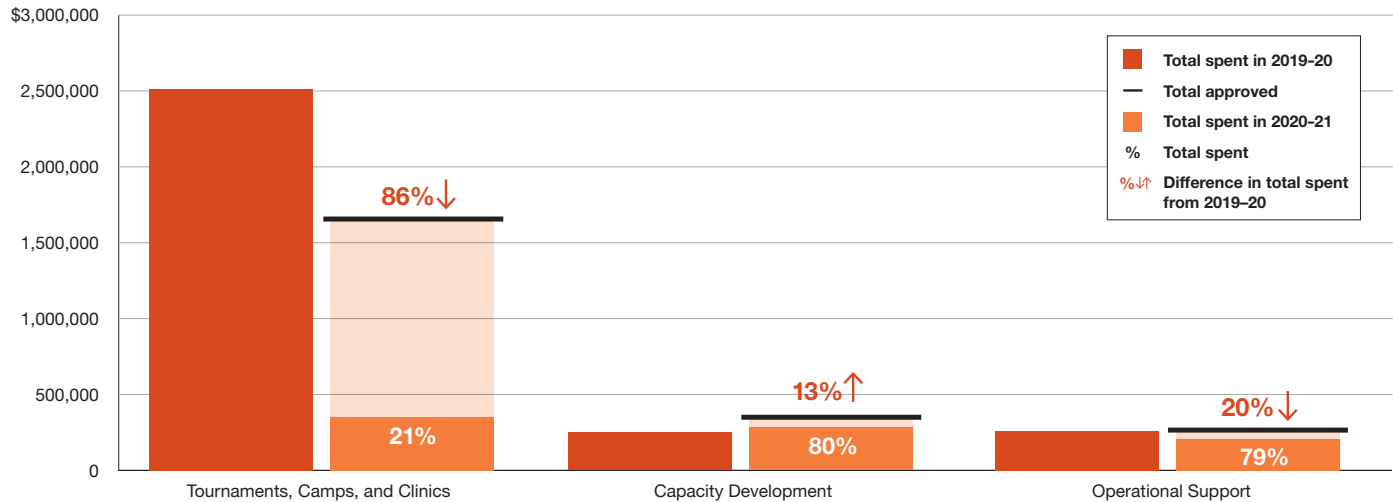
Recipients

Hockey Nunavut
Iqaluit Taekwon Do Society
Nunavut Badminton Association
Nunavut Curling Association
Nunavut Soccer Association

Nunavut Speed Skating Association
Nunavut Table Tennis Association
Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut
Volleyball Nunavut
Wrestling Nunavut



Investment

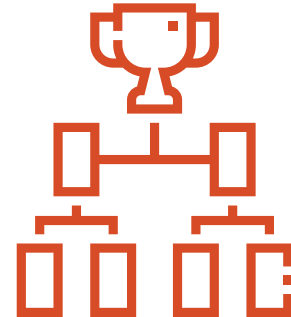


Impact



10

non-profit
organizations
received funding.

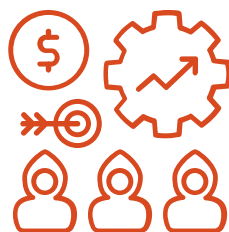


2,595

people participated in
sport tournaments, camps,
and clinics.

2,415

people participated in
capacity development initiatives.



Highlights



Tournaments, Camps, and Clinics

Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut partnered with Territorial Sport Organizations for badminton, basketball, and soccer to deliver **multi-sport camps** across the territory that reached **195 participants**.

Capacity Development

Volleyball Nunavut developed a “Coaches Corner” webpage for coaches in **15 communities** to access **coaching plans, drills, and other resources**.



Operational Support

Organizations completed necessary **administrative functions** like getting **insurance** and conducting **financial audits**.



Impact of COVID-19



Organizations adjusted their programs and events to follow public health guidelines, including participant numbers, cleaning requirements, and other safety protocols.



Organizations worked together and with community coaches to deliver community-based events instead of intercommunity tournaments.



Groups used virtual platforms to engage with and support members.

“With COVID-19 and the public health guidelines in place, RPAN became creative in how we delivered community-based programming. A perfect example is the RPAN Multi-Sport Camp. By re-creating the program delivery model, building new partnerships, and utilizing local leaders, we provided quality programs to youth in communities. Developing partnerships with organizations who have a shared vision and interest in community-based recreation and sport allowed us to all succeed together.”

Rob Strutz, President, Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut

Schedule 3

Team Nunavut Athlete Development Support

Purpose

To support athletes and coaches in preparing to participate in the Team Nunavut Major Games Program.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1

Active Lifestyles



Goal #2

Programs & Services



Goal #4

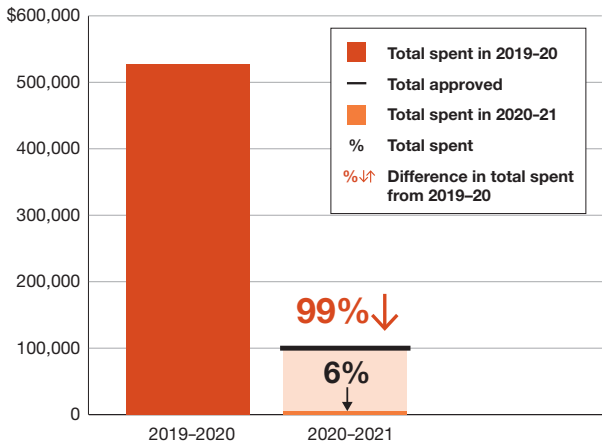
Connect & Collaborate

Eligibility



Non-profit organizations that participate in the Team Nunavut Major Games Program

Investment



Recipients

Nunavut Badminton Association
Volleyball Nunavut
Wrestling Nunavut

Impact

3

non-profit organizations received funding.



1

major games scheduled for 2020 postponed due to COVID-19.

(2020 North American Indigenous Games)

4

sports scheduled to compete in 2020 North American Indigenous Games:

- Badminton.
- Beach Volleyball.
- Volleyball.
- Wrestling.



Highlights

Team Nunavut's Beach Volleyball team is planning to compete in the **North American Indigenous Games** and **Canada Summer Games** for the **first time**.



Impact of COVID-19



North American
INDIGENOUS GAMES 2020
HALIFAX • NOVA SCOTIA



North American
INDIGENOUS GAMES 2023
HALIFAX • NOVA SCOTIA

Team Nunavut did not attend the **2020 North American Indigenous Games**, which was **postponed to 2023**.

Selection events and training camps to prepare for the **2021 Canada Summer Games** did not take place and the Games were **rescheduled to 2022**.

NIAGARA 2021



JEUX DU CANADA GAMES



NIAGARA 2022



JEUX DU CANADA GAMES

Schedule 4

Traditional Sport/ Inuit Games Support

Purpose

To support the planning and implementation of traditional sport or Inuit games programs and events.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1
Active
Lifestyles



Goal #2
Programs &
Services



Goal #4
Connect &
Collaborate

Eligibility

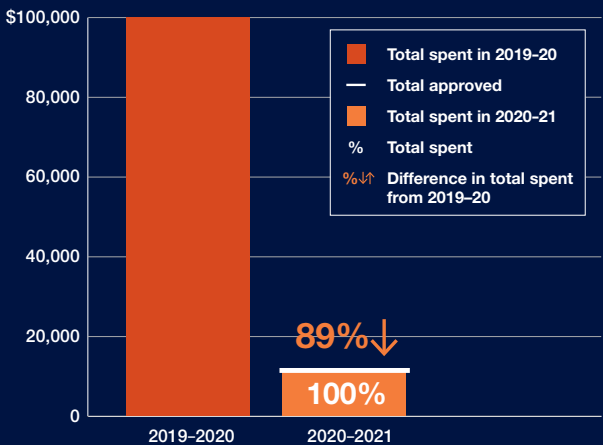


Municipal
corporations



Non-profit
organizations

Investment



Recipients

Hamlet of Cambridge Bay
Hamlet of Pangnirtung
Municipality of Clyde River

Impact

3



municipal corporations
received funding.

Highlights



During the **virtual Christmas Games** in Cambridge Bay, community members participated in **Inuit games**.

Impact of COVID-19

Previously planned in-person programming took place online instead.



Schedule 5

Community Events

Purpose

To support the planning and hosting of:

- Intercommunity events.
- Leadership training, including National Coaching Certification Program courses for coaches as well as training opportunities for officials and community recreation leaders.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1

Active Lifestyles



Goal #2

Programs & Services



Goal #3

Leadership & Capacity

Eligibility



Municipal corporations



Non-profit organizations

Recipients



Municipal Corporations

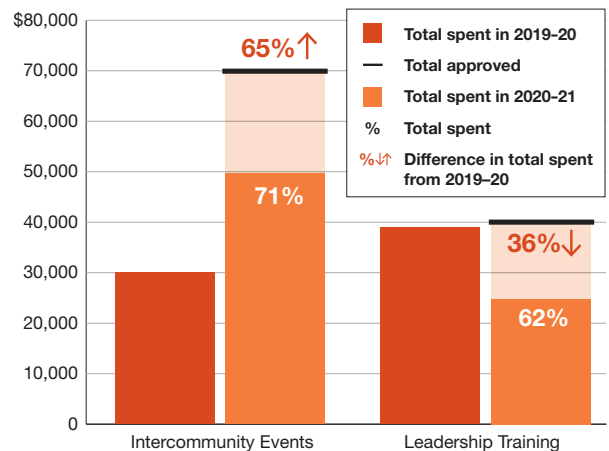
Municipality of Sanikiluaq



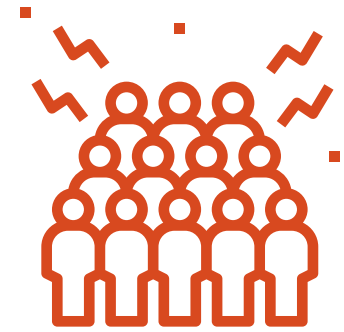
Non-Profit Organizations

Artcirq
Nunavut Basketball Association
Recreation and Parks
Association of Nunavut

Investment



Impact



195

people participated in sport and recreation events and training.

Highlights



Intercommunity Events

Nunavut Basketball Association provided
14 communities
with equipment packages to host Basketball Day in Nunavut, which reached **160 participants**.



Leadership Training

Municipality of Sanikiluaq held weekly **virtual staff training sessions** for 6 weeks for **8 recreation staff**.

Impact of COVID-19



- In-person events followed public health guidelines, including participant numbers, cleaning requirements, and other safety protocols.
- Community-level events occurred instead of intercommunity events.
- Planned in-person leadership training sessions were hosted online.

“Sport and Recreation funding allowed the Nunavut Basketball Association to organize territory-wide events, which helped grow the sport of basketball and gave youth a chance to compete within their communities in a year when major competitions had been cancelled.”

Zachary Crooks-Cziranka
President, Nunavut Basketball Association

Schedule 6

Nunavut Sport for Life

Purpose

To support programs that encourage Nunavummiut to be Active for Life, including:

- **Introductory Sport/Physical Literacy Programs:** Introduce Nunavummiut to new sport activities or increase physical literacy levels in youth.
- **Physical Activity Initiatives:** Support ongoing or increased physical activity levels among Nunavummiut.
- **Community Traditional Recreation Programs:** Include a physical activity component.
- **Other Sport for Life Activities:** Align with priorities of the Division.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #1

Active
Lifestyles



Goal #2

Programs
& Services



Goal #3

Leadership
& Capacity

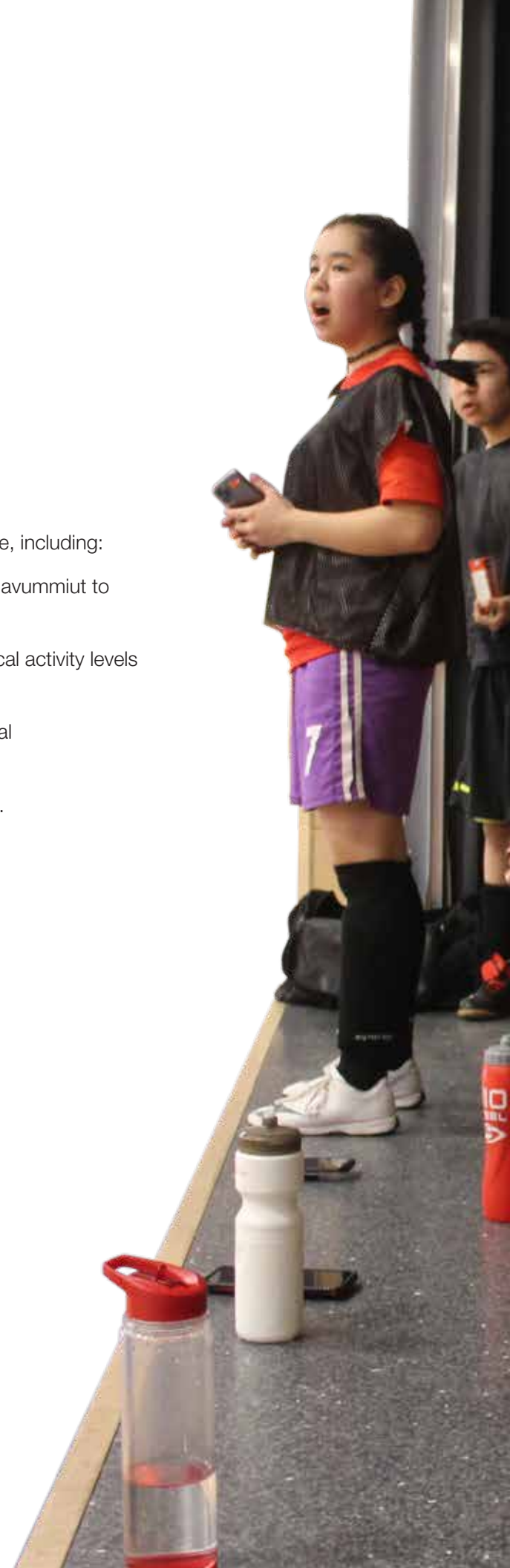
Eligibility



Municipal
corporations



Non-profit
organizations





Recipients



Municipal Corporations

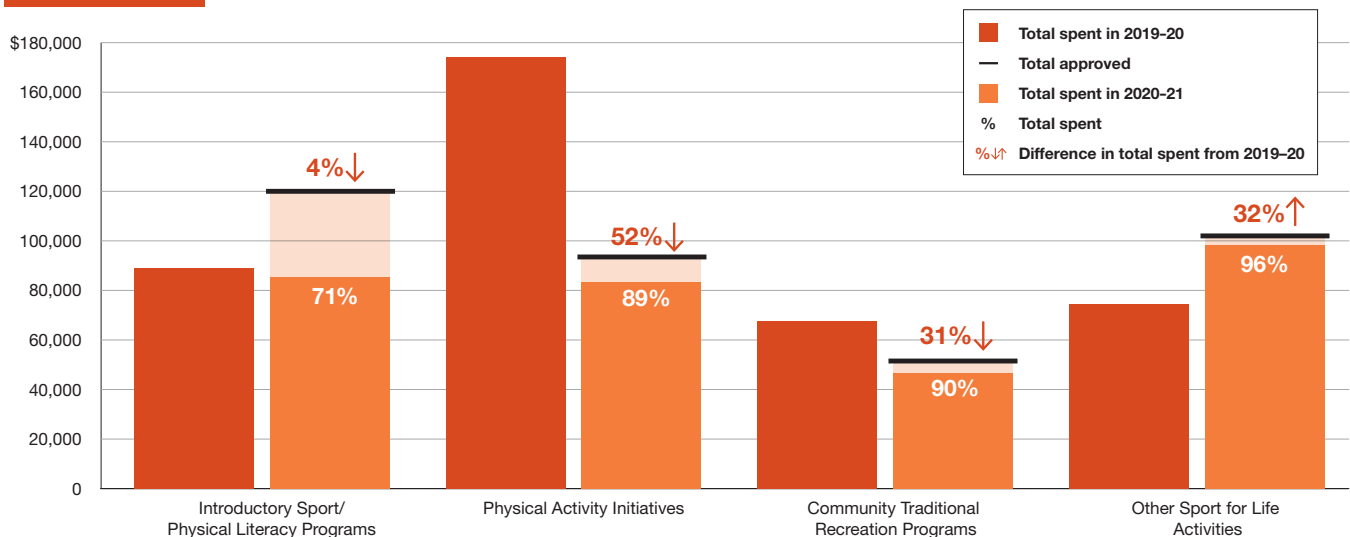
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Hamlet of Baker Lake	Municipality of Qikiqtarjuaq
Hamlet of Cambridge Bay	Municipality of Rankin Inlet
Hamlet of Kugluktuk	Municipality of Sanikiluaq
Hamlet of Pangnirtung	



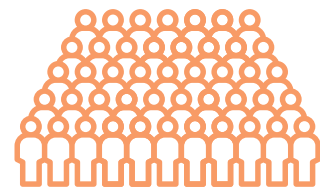
Non-Profit Organizations

Aniirajak Ski and Adventure Club	Nunavut Atii Fitness
Artcirq	Nunavut Basketball Association
CPE Les Petits Nanooks	Rankin Inlet Fitness Society
Iqaluit Skating Club	Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut
Iqaluit Taekwon Do Society	Tundra Buddies Daycare

Investment



Impact



7,515

people participated in
Nunavut Sport for
Life programs.

Highlights

Introductory Sport/Physical Literacy Programs

Municipality of Sanikiluaq introduced a successful **lacrosse program** for

45 participants.

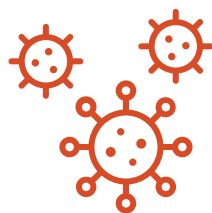


Other Sport for Life Activities

City of Iqaluit recognized its volunteer award recipients virtually through a **Volunteer Appreciation Awards video**, which has received thousands of views through the Recreation Department's Facebook page.

Impact of COVID-19

- Virtual events, including virtual competitions, replaced some in-person events.
- Programs and events that took place in person followed public health guidelines, including participant numbers, cleaning requirements, and other safety protocols.



Physical Activity Initiatives

Aniirajak Ski and Adventure Club ran approximately **80 cross country skiing sessions** for students from Iqaluit schools and a daycare.



Community Traditional Recreation Programs

Hamlet of Pond Inlet hosted a **Nunavut Day celebration** with games and dancing.



“Skiing became one of the best activities to do during the pandemic because it easily aligned with public health guidelines. As a result, our membership grew by 20%, we lent and rented about 50% more ski equipment, and an increased number of skiers used our groomed trails. Plus, the Club had to be creative in terms of programming and ended up creating popular activities and challenges that will continue every year even when things return to ‘normal’.”

François Fortin
President, Aniirajak Ski and Adventure Club

Schedule 7

Scholarship Program



Purpose

To support Nunavut students who are completing post-secondary education in sport and recreation.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #3

Leadership
& Capacity

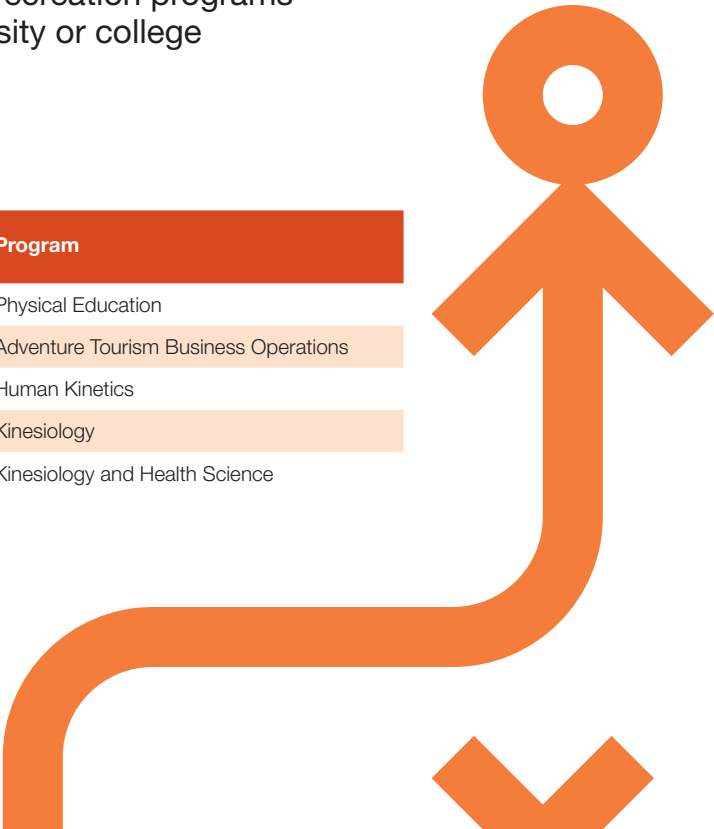
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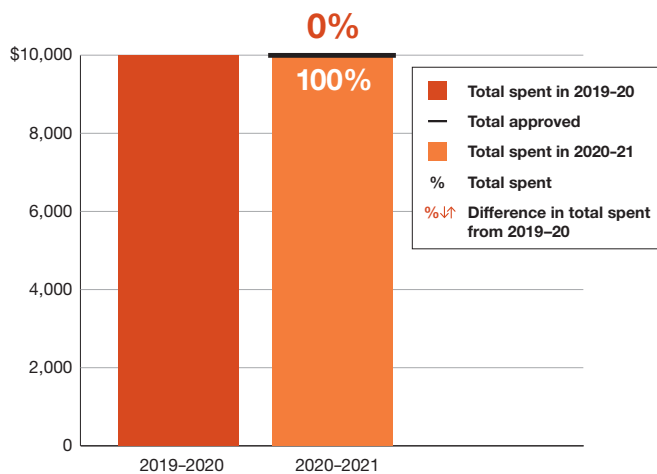
Nunavut residents enrolled in
sport or recreation programs
at university or college

Recipients

 Name	Community	School	Program
Alayna Ningeongan	Rankin Inlet	Brandon University	Physical Education
Aleksander Hejnowicz	Iqaluit	College of the Rockies	Adventure Tourism Business Operations
Alex McDermott	Iqaluit	University of Ottawa	Human Kinetics
Hayden Hickey	Iqaluit	Dalhousie University	Kinesiology
Kudi Okah	Iqaluit	York University	Kinesiology and Health Science



Investment



Highlights

- **Alayna Ningeongan** and **Hayden Hickey** both **graduated** from their respective programs.
- **All recipients are Team Nunavut alumni** in various sports including basketball, futsal, hockey, speed skating, and volleyball.
- **Recipients have work and volunteer experience in sport and recreation**, including experience as summer camp leaders and coaches.

Impact



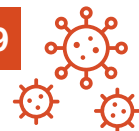
5 students received scholarships.



2 students graduated.

Impact of COVID-19

None.



“The Sport and Recreation Scholarship Program helped me achieve my academic goals. Moving away from home for five years to earn my degree was not easy, and the financial support really took a load off my mind and allowed me to focus on my studies. This fall, I am looking forward to furthering my education at Assiniboine Community College in Brandon, Manitoba and playing volleyball for the Assiniboine Cougars.”

Alayna Ningeongan
Scholarship recipient 2018–21



Sport and Recreation COVID-19 Program Support Fund



Purpose

To support business continuity, program delivery, and new costs related to COVID-19 safety measures through a one-time funding opportunity provided by the Government of Canada's Emergency Support Fund for Sport Organizations.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #2

Programs & Services



Goal #3

Leadership & Capacity



Goal #5

Spaces & Places

Eligibility



Municipal corporations



Non-profit organizations

Recipients



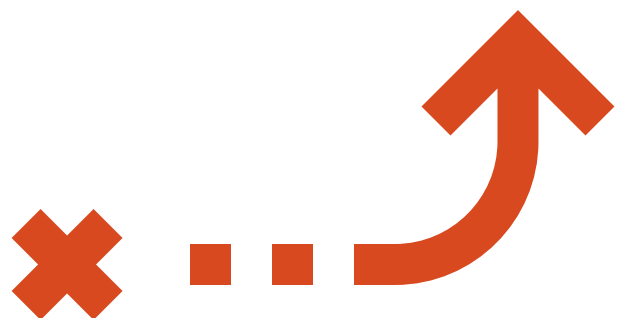
Municipal Corporations

City of Iqaluit	Hamlet of Pond Inlet
Hamlet of Arctic Bay	Hamlet of Resolute Bay
Hamlet of Arviat	Hamlet of Taloyoak
Hamlet of Baker Lake	Municipality of Clyde River
Hamlet of Cambridge Bay	Municipality of Kinngait
Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet	Municipality of Qikiqtarjuaq
Hamlet of Gjoa Haven	Municipality of Rankin Inlet
Hamlet of Kugaaruk	Municipality of Sanirajak
Hamlet of Pangnirtung	

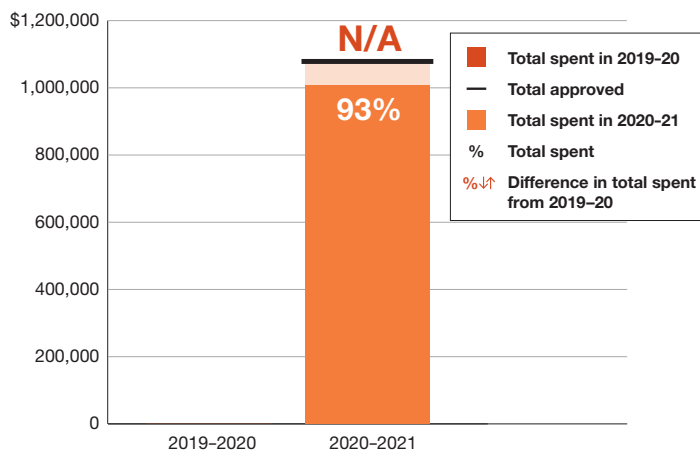


Non-Profit Organizations

Hockey Nunavut	Nunavut Speed Skating Association
Iqaluit Skating Club	Rankin Inlet Fitness Society
Iqaluit Taekwon Do Society	Recreation and Parks Association of Nunavut
Nunavut Atii Fitness	Volleyball Nunavut
Nunavut Basketball Association	Wrestling Nunavut
Nunavut Curling Association	



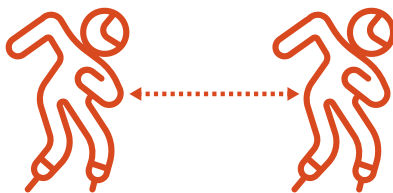
Investment



Impact



Highlights



Nunavut Speed Skating Association hired youth program participants to assist with **cleaning and sanitization** as well as **managing distance between young skaters** on and off the ice.



Hamlet of Pangnirtung installed **clear partitions** to help protect recreation staff and members of the public during in-person interactions.

Municipality of Qikiqtarjuaq put **floor stickers** in their recreation facilities to assist with traffic flow and physical distancing.



Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet recovered revenue lost from **bingo fundraisers** to help cover arena utility costs and support minor hockey programming.



Impact of COVID-19

- Facilities required new signage and other upgrades to support implementation of public health guidelines.
- Additional staff were needed to ensure public health guidelines were followed in facilities and during programs.
- Expenses related to supplies like hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, and personal protective equipment as well as administrative and utility costs increased for municipalities and organizations.
- Revenue from sources like program registration and fundraising activities decreased for organizations and municipalities.

Overview

In addition to supporting communities and non-profit organizations in delivering quality sport and recreation programs and pursuing the goals of the SPAR Framework through the Grants and Contributions Program, the Sport and Recreation Division also delivers the following programs:

1 **Team Nunavut Major Games Program,** which includes:

- Team Nunavut.
- Nunavut Youth Ambassador Program.

2 **Sport Awards,** which recognizes the achievements of:

- Athletes.
- Coaches.
- Officials.
- Teams.
- Volunteers.





Team Nunavut Major Games Program

Team Nunavut



Purpose

To provide a competitive experience for Nunavut athletes and coaches and help raise the profile of Nunavut nationally and internationally.



Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #2

Programs & Services



Goal #4

Connect & Collaborate



Eligibility

Team Nunavut competes in five major games: Arctic Winter Games, Canada Summer Games, Canada Winter Games, North American Indigenous Games, and Western Canada Summer Games. These major games occur on two- to four-year cycles.

Each of the major games is different in terms of purpose, participating jurisdictions, sports offered, age categories, and athlete eligibility criteria.

The **North American Indigenous Games** is a multi-sport event and cultural celebration that brings together Indigenous athletes from across Canada and the United States.

In July 2020, Kijipuktuk (Halifax) and Millbrook First Nation in Nova Scotia were scheduled to host more than 5,000 participants from 756 Indigenous nations to compete in 16 sports.



North American
**INDIGENOUS
GAMES 2020**
HALIFAX • NOVA SCOTIA

Participants

Team Nunavut is made up of **athletes, coaches, managers, mission staff,** and **Youth Ambassadors.**

The following sports were planning to compete for Team Nunavut at the **2020 North American Indigenous Games:**



Badminton



Beach
Volleyball



Volleyball

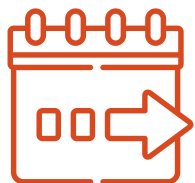


Wrestling

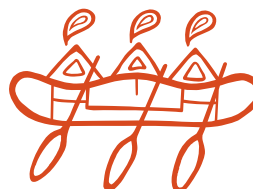
Investment

Item	Description	Projected	Actual (\$)	Actual (%)
Travel & Transportation	Flights, Ground Transportation, Accommodations, Per Diems	\$453,880	\$0	0%
Materials & Supplies	Team Nunavut Outerwear, Trading Pins	39,000	0	0
Purchased Services	Insurance, Team Supplies	35,000	0	0
Total		\$527,880	\$0	0%

Impact



2020 North American Indigenous Games scheduled in 2020-21 and **postponed due to COVID-19.**



4 sports scheduled to compete in **2020 North American Indigenous Games.**

Highlights

- **Team Nunavut will compete in Beach Volleyball** at the **North American Indigenous Games** for the **first time.**
- The following Volleyball coaches were selected to participate in the **Canada Games Apprenticeship Program:**

Program	Coach	Community
Aboriginal Apprentice Coach Program	Alayna Ningeongan	Rankin Inlet
Women in Coaching Program	Beverley Netusil	Iqaluit

Impact of COVID-19

- **2020 North American Indigenous Games** in Kijipuktuk (Halifax) and Millbrook First Nation in Nova Scotia was **rescheduled to 2023.**
- **2021 Canada Summer Games** in Ontario's Niagara Region was **postponed until 2022.**

Team Nunavut Major Games Program

Nunavut Youth Ambassador Program

Purpose

To provide Nunavut youth with an opportunity to:

- **Develop leadership and life skills** that foster personal growth.
- **Be active and engaged in positive pursuits.**
- **Represent their communities and Nunavut** as volunteers at special events, such as major games.
- **Positively contribute to the quality of life** in their communities through sport and recreation.



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Nunavut Youth Ambassador Program
Nunavunmiut Inulrammiuyut
Kivgaktuiyikhanut Pinahuarutit
Programme des jeunes
ambassadeurs du Nunavut

In order to meet these aims, the Youth Ambassador Program employs the following program components:

- **Training:** Provide training to develop youth leadership for the sport and recreation sector.
- **Community Engagement:** Support Youth Ambassadors to plan and lead community engagement projects.
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** Identify and promote opportunities for Youth Ambassadors to volunteer in their communities, in the territory, and beyond, including opportunities to participate as accredited volunteers within the Team Nunavut Major Games Program.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #3

Leadership & Capacity



Goal #4

Connect & Collaborate

Eligibility



Nunavut youth between
the ages of 16 and 21

Participants

Name	Community
Gwen Natsiq	Iqaluit
Caroline Iqaluk	Sanikiluaq
Domonick Okheena	Kugluktuk
Izaya Westwood	Kugluktuk
Khrizzelle Sarte	Iqaluit
Natalie Maerzluff	Iqaluit

Investment

Item	Description	Projected	Actual (\$)	Actual (%)
Travel & Transportation	Flights, Ground Transportation, Accommodations, Per Diems	\$216,680	\$0	0%
Materials & Supplies	Program Supplies	6,500	9,028	139%
Purchased Services	Training, Training Manual, Design Services	34,079	19,741	58%
Total		\$257,259	\$28,769	11%

Impact



24 Youth Ambassadors from **9 different communities** were selected for the program.

6 Youth Ambassadors from **3 communities** completed the program.



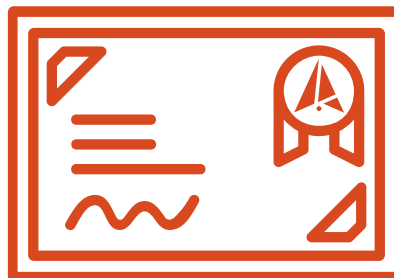
4 Recreation North training modules were offered.

12 Youth Ambassadors completed at least one Recreation North training module.

“When I was younger, I wanted to be a leader and I have been inspired by my brother to do so. The Youth Ambassador Program has really helped me gain a lot of confidence in myself as a leader.”

Caroline Iqaluk
Youth Ambassador, Sanikiluaq

1 Youth Ambassador built on the training they received in the Youth Ambassador Program by completing their **Certificate in Northern Recreation Leadership** through Recreation North.



Recreation North
Training Program



2 community engagement projects were delivered by 3 Youth Ambassadors in **2 communities.**



Highlights



Training

Youth Ambassadors participated in the following **Recreation North remote training sessions** to help them develop personal, community, and global leadership skills through sport and recreation:

- Community Building.
- Deliver Programs and Events.
- Identify Your Leadership Strengths.
- Use Spaces and Places Creatively.

Volunteer Opportunities

Youth Ambassadors were active in their communities through volunteer activities like Student Council, fundraising, and conference planning.



Community Engagement

Youth Ambassadors planned and delivered the following community engagement projects:

- Inuit Games Program, Sanikiluaq.
- Volleyball Tournament, Kugluktuk.

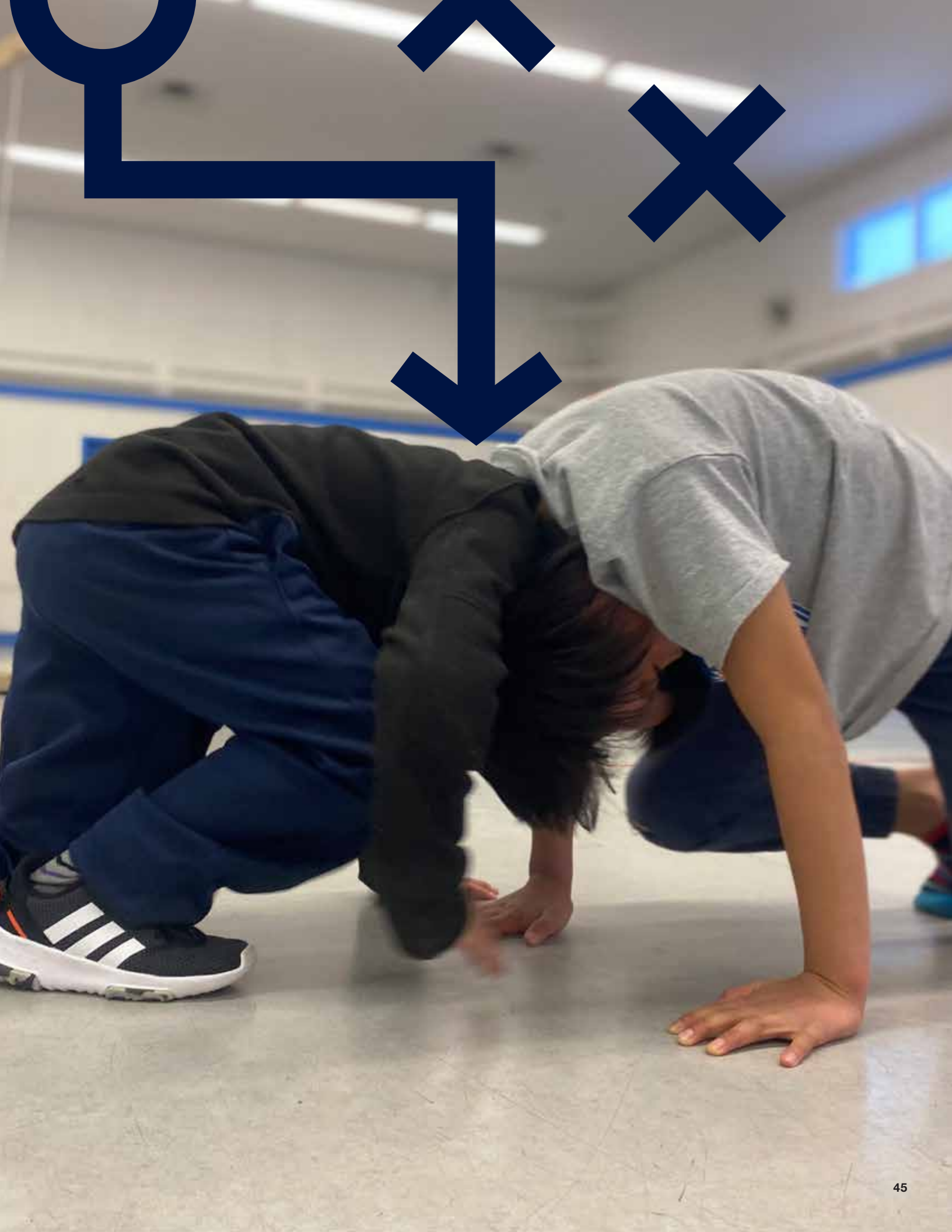


“My Youth Ambassador has grown through the thoughtful questions and conversations that she and her colleagues have had in this program. The structure of the program has also assisted with her ability to maintain a routine during the pandemic.”

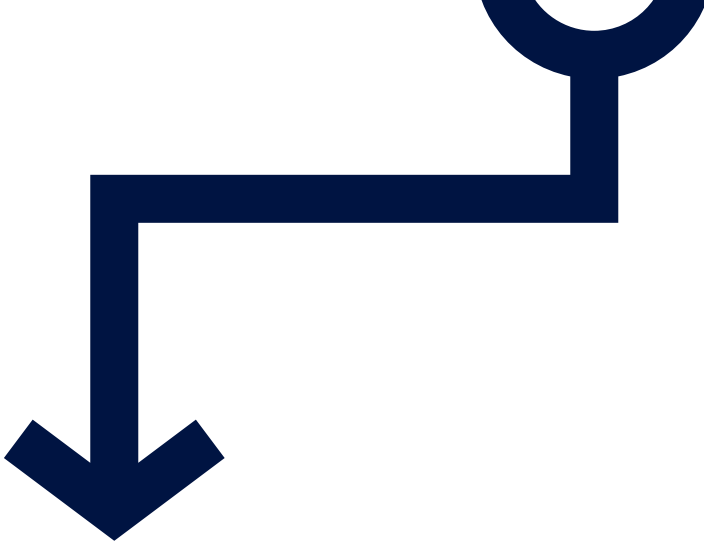
Stephanie Clark, Community Mentor, Iqaluit

Impact of COVID-19

- The in-person **Youth Ambassador Summit in Iqaluit was cancelled**; some of the planned training was delivered remotely instead.
- Youth Ambassadors had to ensure their community engagement projects followed public health guidelines; **three projects scheduled to take place in Iqaluit did not occur** due to the lockdown in spring 2021.
- The **2020 North American Indigenous Games were postponed**, so Youth Ambassadors did not volunteer at major games.
- Each Youth Ambassador had a Community Mentor, who were primarily teachers, to help support their participation in the program. Due to community-wide lockdowns, school closures, and the cohort system in schools, **many Youth Ambassadors had limited to no contact with their Community Mentors throughout the year**. As a result, some Youth Ambassadors may have had difficulty accessing resources they needed to fulfill various program requirements (e.g., responding to emails, attending conference calls, submitting assignments online).



Sport Awards



Purpose

To recognize the outstanding accomplishments and contributions of Nunavut athletes, coaches, officials, teams, and volunteers through the following awards:

- Coach of the Year.
- Male Athlete of the Year.
- Team of the Year.
- Female Athlete of the Year.
- Official of the Year.
- Special Recognition Award.

Connection to SPAR Framework



Goal #3
Leadership
& Capacity

Eligibility



Nunavut residents (minimum one year),
including individuals living temporarily in other locations for educational or training purposes provided their primary residence is Nunavut, who are members in good standing with a Territorial Sport Organization

Investment

Item	Description	Projected	Actual (\$)	Actual (%)
Travel & Transportation	Flights, Accommodations, Per Diems	\$62,234	\$0	0%
Materials & Supplies	Awards, Shipping	7,900	6,221	79%
Purchased Services	Event Registration	2,500	0	0%
Total		\$72,634	\$6,221	9%

“Winning this award means a lot to me. I look up to my grandfather, Makabe Nartok. He coaches young kids for Arctic sports, so he inspires me to help coach young kids in soccer.”

Brandon Nartok, Special Recognition Award recipient

Recipients

Award	Name	Community	Sport
Coach of the Year	Chris Crooks	Cambridge Bay	Wrestling
Female Athlete of the Year	Shanti Dias	Rankin Inlet	Volleyball
Male Athlete of the Year	Eekeeluak Avalak	Cambridge Bay	Wrestling
Official of the Year	Ipeelie Ootoova	Cambridge Bay	Soccer
Team of the Year	Team Nunavut Beach Volleyball – 2019 Western Canada Summer Games Ian McDonald Brent Puqignak Aiden Anawak (Alternate) Talia Grant Emily Ann Niego-Dunphy Oleena Metuq (Alternate) Rob Tomy (Head Coach) Sonja Lonsdale (Assistant Coach)	Iqaluit Gjoa Haven Iqaluit Iqaluit Iqaluit Iqaluit Prince Albert, SK Iqaluit	Beach Volleyball
Special Recognition Award	Brandon Nartok	Gjoa Haven	Soccer
Special Recognition Award	Kimberly Walton	Baker Lake	Soccer
Special Recognition Award	Carol Takkiruq	Gjoa Haven	Volleyball
Special Recognition Award	Courtney Takkiruq	Gjoa Haven	Volleyball
Special Recognition Award	Matt Wyatt	Kugluktuk	Volleyball

Impact



recognized for their achievements and contributions to sport in Nunavut.



215

people in **8 communities** attended the virtual Recreation and Sport Awards Gala.

Highlights



The Team Nunavut Beach Volleyball **Team of the Year** competed in Beach Volleyball

for the first time at a major games in 2019 at the **Western Canada Summer Games**.

Male Athlete of the Year Eekeeluak Avalak earned **silver medals in**



Wrestling at both the **Western Canada Summer Games** and **U17 Canadian Championships** in 2019.



Ipeelie Ootoova became **Nunavut's third certified referee for futsal**

soccer in 2019 and shortly afterwards he participated in his **first Territorial Championships as a referee**, where he performed so well that he was assigned to officiate one of the Championship finals.

Impact of COVID-19

The **Recreation and Sport Awards Gala** was hosted **virtually**, which allowed more people from different communities to attend the celebration.



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