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Ministry of Community, Culture and Sports  
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**Responses to Parliamentary Questions**  
**By**  
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To Questions tabled by

**Mr. Michael Weeks, JP, MP**  
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- \*1. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the amount of allocated funds to the Non Statutory Government Boards for fiscal year 2015/16?

None

2. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House which NSGB's will receive grants/contributions this year?

The following NSGB's will and have received grants for the 2014/2015 fiscal year.

Bermuda Amateur Swimming Association	25,000.00
Bermuda Bicycle Association	25,000.00
Bermuda Equestrian Association	10,000.00
Bermuda Gymnastics Association	10,000.00
Bermuda Hockey Federation	25,000.00
Bermuda National Athletic Association	25,000.00
Bermuda Squash Racquets	10,000.00
Bermuda Triathlon	10,000.00
Bermuda Sailing Association	10,000.00

These total \$150,000.00 of the remaining budget after providing for the following:

National Sports:-

Bermuda Football Association	350,000.00
Bermuda Cricket Board	100,000.00
Bermuda Olympic Association	150,000.00
* *BSADA (original allocation)	750,000.00
Youth & Sport Summer Swimming Programme	25,000.00

\*\*The original allocation provision mentioned above for the BSADA is not final, and that grant will be reduced by \$100,000 in order to redistribute those funds to other NSGB's after further evaluation.

**\*3. Will the Honourable Minister please inform or explain to this Honourable House the criteria used to award grants/contributions?**

The Department has established guidelines for providing grants to the various NSGB's. As stated to the Honourable House during the 2015-2016 Budget Debate, there was a total of \$150,000.00 that was available to be disbursed. With 2015 being a pre-Olympic year, the Department believed it was important to provide grants to the NSGB's for the most part, that would likely have athletes qualify for the 2016 Olympics.

Below are the guidelines which the Department utilizes when disbursing grants.

Guidelines on the Disbursement of  
Youth, Sport and Recreation Grant Funds  
In Support of Sport Development /Activities

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The Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation offers Sport Development Grants to support registered Nationals Sport Governing Bodies or Sports Serving Organizations in their efforts to increase participation and enhance overall athletic performance in Bermuda.

All Grants request from National Sport Governing Bodies should be submitted to the department by end of August each year to facilitate planning considerations for preparation of the Department annual budget estimates. Applications must be fully supported by the documentation listed below:

- Audited Financial Statements for the last year of Business
- Annual Operational Plan
- Minutes of Last AGM (and where necessary, election of Officers)

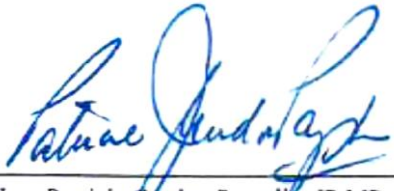
When assessing the impact and significance of an application we consider whether the applicant has:

- Clearly defined the purpose of their project, activity or service
- Made a compelling case for how their proposal aligns to the funding priority established by the Government.
- Clearly described their project, activity or service- what will be delivered and how- and satisfied us that it is viable.
- Presented a realistic, evidence-based budget for their project, activity or service, and identified exactly how the grant would be spent.
- Given thought to how they will show that the grant has benefitted the community, and identify how they will evaluate the success of their project, activity or service.

- Provided evidence of community support for, and/or involvement in the project, activity or service.

The Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation grant programme is consistently oversubscribed, and it is not possible for us to meet all requests for funding. Our predominant aim is to deliver the outcomes that are most significant to our community. We also take into consideration the overall financial situation of the applicant. We will ask all grant applicants what they or others will be contributing to the cost of their proposed project, activity or service. An applicant's own contribution may include volunteer labour, donated materials or professional services. When assessing or prioritising applicants, we may take in to account any or all of the following:

- The applicant's overall financial position, including their ability to support the project, activity or service from their own resources and/or to access grants from other sources.
- Whether the applicant accessed, or made reasonable attempts to access other sources of financial support from other funders, or fundraising within the community.
- Whether the applicant has received or is receiving any other grants from the Government.



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