

JUMPSTART ACCESSIBILITY GRANT
ASSESSMENT CRITERIA & EVALUATION PROCESS



How are Jumpstart Accessibility Grants assessed?

The Jumpstart Accessibility Grant Advisory Committee, a panel of subject matter experts in the fields of parasport, infrastructure, venue operations and disability advocacy, will assess eligible applications using the following evaluation criteria:

- The project will result in improved accessibility to a public recreation space.
- The applicant provides an innovative project plan that clearly outlines how the infrastructure project will fill a gap within the community and enhance overall access to physical activity and sport for children with a disability.
- The applicant demonstrates how the retrofit upgrade will enhance the overall inclusiveness of an already-accessible facility
- The applicant provides evidence of a strategy to enhance the number of programs available for youth with disabilities at the facility or intentional use as a result of the infrastructure upgrades.
- The applicant provides evidence of inclusion of persons with a disability in the project team either through an accessibility review committee, endorsements from subject matter experts or potential user groups.
- The applicant provides evidence of collaborating with other organizations (e.g., community groups, businesses, local governments) to deliver the project.
- The applicant provides documentation supporting the budget for the project (i.e. quotes).
- The applicant provides evidence funding or in-kind contributions from sources in addition to the Jumpstart Accessibility grant to complete the project (i.e. grant award letters, etc.).
- The applicant demonstrates the necessary skills, experience, and/or expertise to deliver the project.

Jumpstart reserves the right to amend the evaluation process or assessment criteria, or to reject any or all applications, whether or not the applicant meets the eligibility criteria or assessment criteria.

How are Jumpstart Accessibility Grants evaluated?

- An applicant must complete and submit a Jumpstart Accessibility grant application online through the [Play Finds a Way website](#). Jumpstart will not accept emailed or faxed applications.
- Jumpstart will assess the application submission to ensure it meets the Jumpstart Accessibility Grant Eligibility Criteria. Applications that do not meet these criteria will not be reviewed. Please see the **Jumpstart Accessibility Grant Eligibility Criteria** to ensure that your organization and project are eligible.
- The Grant Advisory Committee will review and adjudicate applications.
- The top-scoring applications requesting **\$100,000 or greater** will be subject to a second round of evaluations consisting of an interview and presentation to a Jumpstart Accessibility Grant Review Panel.

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- Jumpstart will notify all applicants by June 3, 2019. Jumpstart will not accept any inquiries about the status of an application.
- Successful applications will receive an Award Letter and Grant Agreement which outlines the terms and conditions applicants already agreed to in their application. The Grant Agreement may contain additional terms and conditions such as a grant payment schedule or preconditions.