



What is Sporting Chance?

Sporting Chance is an assistance scholarship set up by Activation, funded by the TAB, which aims to assist young people from families or backgrounds where finance is a barrier to participation in sport and physical activity. The scholarship aims to remove financial barriers to enable children and youth the opportunity to be more active, more often.

Application Criteria

1. The applicant's immediate family is unable to support them in providing the necessary equipment, clothing or other related costs to enable participation in sport or physical activity.
2. The applicant must be regularly attending primary, intermediate or college in Upper Hutt.
3. The completed application is genuinely in aid of assisting participation in sport or physical activity which otherwise would not take place.
4. Two quotes are required for clothing, footwear and equipment.
5. Funding will not be given retrospectively.

Sporting Chance offers assistance for students, ages 5 - 18, who meet the criteria for one or more of the following purposes:

- Sports club related fees
- Sporting equipment not provided through the club
- Sporting uniform or clothing
- Sporting footwear

Generally, the scholarship does not cover:

- Equipment which, in the opinion of Activation, can or should be provided by clubs and schools for participation in team sports
- Travel to sports tournaments
- High performance athletes who face barriers to success rather than participation.

Acknowledgement

Activation would like to acknowledge the assistance of Sport Otago in setting up this initiative. Sport Otago and Sport Canterbury have been successfully running a similar initiative in their regions and we thank them for their support.

How to Apply

Complete the application form attached and have two referees briefly comment about the family's situation and sign the form. Referees may either be the child's school principal OR an appropriate support agency (doctor, WINZ, social worker). Referees can also help complete the application form.

Conditions of assistance:

1. Equipment/footwear – Sporting Chance will purchase the goods from a preferred supplier on the applicant's behalf.
2. Club subscription/fees – Payment will be made directly to the appropriate organisation.

Application Process

