



**QUEST FOR GOLD COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**NOVEMBER 18, 2021**

**Committee Meetings**

Due to the change in structure of Quest for Gold in the 2020-21 year, there were no required meetings for the committee.

**Summary**

There was a change in the allocation of funding in the fiscal year of 2020-2021. The Ministry of Heritage, Sport and Tourism made the decision to only allocate funds within the Quest for Gold program. Only athletes that are 'nationally carded' through the AAP (Athlete Assistance Program) were included in this funding.

"Eligibility for a Quest for Gold 'Canada Card' is limited to Ontario athletes who are currently carded by Sport Canada. The Canada Card will provide additional funding over and above the full value of the carding designation the athlete is receiving from Sport Canada." – Scott Cooper, Sports Consultant: *Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries*

The changes from a provincial carding through Quest for Gold to only a national carding approach resulted in an increased funding to those athletes that were at an International level of competition. This was due to the challenges of the pandemic and the focus on those athletes competing at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

In a letter to the successful recipients of Quest for Gold funding:

"Traditionally, the Quest for Gold 'Canada Card' provides a 35 per cent top-up to the level of funding Ontario athletes receive from Sport Canada. For fiscal 2020-21 only, you are receiving funding equal to 75 per cent of the amount you received from Sport Canada."

– Scott Cooper, Sports Consultant: *Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries*

Respectfully Submitted,

Brendan Cole  
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