



RIGHT TO PLAY
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PLAY Partnership Application Guide

The PLAY Program

The PLAY Program is a capacity building partnership. Eligible groups annually apply to Right To Play (RTP) for access to our unique play-based curriculum, as well as funding and training support to aid in the development of local outcome-based programs for Indigenous children (*age 6 – 11*) & youth (*age 12 – 19*) in Canada.



Although all our partners are working toward health & wellness outcomes, every RTP program will look different.

There is no “right way” to do it. Your youth program will reflect the needs, interests, culture and context of your community/organization, children/youth.

2024 Funding Summary

This year PLAY partnerships can provide up to \$28,500 in funding support. Applicants must include a budget summary and salary information as part of their application submission.

- Up to \$6,000 toward program costs (*ex. activity supplies, snacks, transportation*)
- Up to 50% of local youth worker’s salary, to the cap of \$22,500

Partnership Deliverables

If selected for a 2024 PLAY partnership, successful applicants will be required to provide:

- √ **Community Mentor:** Hire or identify existing youth worker(s) to be coached to initiate youth programming a minimum of 8 hours a week for the duration of the year, in a manner that best suits the structure of your community.
- √ **Community Supervisor:** Identify one person to act as a local supervisor to the Community Mentor and a contact to RTP for partnership deliverables.
- √ **Programming Venue:** Secure a venue (*gym, school classroom, community centre, etc.*) at no cost, for PLAY programming to occur several times per week, as well as a permanent office space for the Community Mentor, with regular access to a computer and phone.
- √ **Reporting:** Each PLAY partner is required to submit monthly financial reporting, daily attendance tracking, and program evaluations to a strict deadline.

Partnership Model – At a Glance



Children & youth feel empowered to share their voices & develop:



Improved Practice
of Healthy Habits



Improved
Relationships



Increased Enjoyment
of Culture & Traditions



Improved
Leadership

The 12-month PLAY partnership will run from January to December 2024.

Application Timeline

The 2024 Application will be open Friday, September 1st, 2023 to Friday, October 6th, 2023.

TIMELINES	
Applications Open	September 1, 2023
Application Deadline	October 6, 2023
Partnerships Announced	November, 2023
Partnership Program Year Start	January 1, 2024
Partnership Program Year End	December 31, 2024

How to Access the Online Application

The 2024 Application will take approximately **1 – 1.5 hours to complete**. It is an opportunity to share why a year of partnership with RTP would benefit children and youth in your community.

The Application is open to both new applicants, as well as communities/organizations that recently partnered with Right To Play in 2023.

- **NEW Partners** – [Click Here!](#) to access the online application
- **RETURNING Partners** – [Click Here!](#) to access the online application

Partnership Eligibility

Eligible groups include:

- First Nation, Inuit, Metis communities
- Indigenous organizations & registered charities
- Indigenous youth serving organizations

Ineligible groups include:

- Individuals
 - Organizations operating outside of Canada
 - Unincorporated and grassroots groups without a trustee
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A Brief Overview of the 2024 Application

Application Section	What you'll need to provide
Contact Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact information of who to follow-up with on application status, or follow-up questions.
Program Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core age group selection – Children 6 to 11, Youth 12 to 19, other. Selection of program type – building new program, elevating existing program, or mentoring youth to deliver leadership project. Goals for the partnership year. Weekly program structure (program space, length & frequency of program). Selection of types of play activities that your program will feature. Selection of resources that your community/organization is most interested in accessing through the partnership.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program outcome selection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a description of the positive changes you want to observe in your program. This can include changes to holistic wellness, youth leadership, identity & community connection, healthy relationships and/or health. Challenges to deliverables and plan to overcome
Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Description of staffing needs Staffing challenges and plan to overcome Selection of capacity building services Selection of training topic
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program cost request, up to \$6,000. Applicant to provide a program budget detailing projected program expenditures. Salary request, up to 50% of local youth workers salary (to a cap of \$22,500) Identifying person responsible for reporting monthly expenses and discussing potential barriers for submission
Support for the Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verification that your application is supported by a governing body, agency or individual with budgeting oversight. OPTIONAL: include a general letter of community support written by a youth, parent or community member

Have Questions?

- √ Current Partners can contact their Right To Play Officer or Program Manager
- √ New Applicants can email the Right to Play Admin Team, at playadmin@righttoplay.com

For more information about the PLAY program, please visit our website:

<https://righttoplay.com/en-ca/national-offices/national-office-canada/get-involved/indigenous-programs/>

Expression of Interest in Special Opportunities

Partnering with Right To Play can provide communities / organizations access to additional opportunities. Following the completion of the formal application, applicants are invited to review the menu of special opportunities being considered for the 2024 partnership cycle.

Communities/organizations can express interest in as many or as few opportunities as they like. The content submitted in this section will have no impact on the results of the application.

Before beginning the application, please take time to consider which opportunities may be in line with your community's/organization's values, as well as the extra time & capacity needed for involvement in special projects.

- **Painted Turtle Arts Camp**
 - This externally delivered 1 week summer camp addresses the need for increased arts participation and aims to nurture children's creative spirit and empower youth through dance, music, and visual arts projects.
- **Junior Community Mentor Project**
 - Right To Play partners are offered the opportunity to apply for limited term salary support to hire young adults (ages 15 – 30 years old) as Junior Community Mentors.
- **Indigenous Youth Advisory Circle**
 - Right To Play's Indigenous Youth Advisory Council aims to engage older youth from partner communities/organizations across Canada. The youth will be decision makers, developers, administrators and evaluators or their own programming. Several virtual meetings throughout the year will provide professional development, youth agency, training, networking, etc.
- **2024 Racquet Sports Clinic**
 - Right To Play is exploring the opportunity to provide tennis, badminton and pickleball training and equipment for select partners. Partners would host sport-specific facilitators in delivering an in-community Sport for Development clinic in 2024.
- **MLSE Hockey Activation (Ontario based opportunity)**
 - Working together, Right To Play, MLSE and the Maple Leafs will deliver a hockey activation with a focus on Gender Equity. Partners will take part in event coordination, advertising and other logistics.
- **Edmonton Oilers Hockey Activation (Alberta & Saskatchewan based opportunity)**
 - Right To Play and the Edmonton Oilers are offering training to run engaging ball hockey activities for your community/organization. Training will take place in Edmonton in March 2024 (all travel expenses covered). Communities/organizations will have the opportunity to incorporate ball hockey sessions in their summer programs in July and August 2024.
- **LEGO Replay Brick Kits**
 - Right to Play has partnered with the LEGO Replay program to provide LEGO Brick kits to partnered communities/organizations. The kits are shipped at no cost to partners and are distributed as the community/organizations sees fit.