

Leadership Development Fund Purpose

The purpose of the fund is to provide financial assistance to non-profit community groups and organizations for leadership training and development, which result in:

- More youth assuming leadership roles within the organization.
- Increased and improved leadership skills of Community Recreation and Sports Leaders.

The fund is designed to encourage and support ongoing development of new competencies and leadership capabilities in the recreation field. The fund values and adopts the following strategies:

- define the core competencies and best practices associated with excellent recreation practitioners
- provide and promote high quality, relevant and accessible opportunities for all professionals and volunteers to acquire and continuously expand their competencies.
- update and revitalize strategies to strengthen volunteer recruitment and development

Application Process

- Applications may be submitted at any time throughout the year and must be submitted prior to event/activity.
- Maximum amount to be funded is 50% of the proposed cost up to a maximum of \$500.00 per application.
- Eligible cost shareable expenses include course fees and materials, accommodations, travel, etc.
- Approved funds will be paid out upon successful completion of the project and submission of a financial report.
- Only applications from non-profit organizations will be considered for funding. Organizations may apply on behalf of an individual(s) who are members of their organization.

Examples of Eligible Projects

Providing training or support for Community Leaders, which leads to increased participation in community recreation, sport, and physical activity, music and art.(i.e. Program leaders, course instructors, referees, coaches, fitness leaders, accessibility training, outdoor recreation certifications, etc).

For application assistance please contact one of the following departments:

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| Municipality of the County of Antigonish Tel: (902) 863-1141 | Town of Antigonish Tel: (902) 867-5595 | Town of Trenton Tel: (902) 752-1019 |
| Municipality of the County of Pictou Tel: (902) 485-8528 | Town of Mulgrave Tel: (902) 747-2243 | Town of Westville Tel: (902) 396-1059 |
| Municipality of St. Mary's Tel: (902) 522-2598 | Town of Pictou Tel: (902) 485-4372 | Nova Scotia Communities, Sport, & Recreation Division Tel: (902) 863-7380 |
| Municipality of the District of Guysborough Tel: (902) 533-3508 x223 | Town of Stellarton Tel: (902) 752-8944 | |

Gary Boone was one of the original members of the N.S. Department of Sport and Recreation as well as the Regional Representative for the Highland Region, (Antigonish, Guysborough, & Pictou) from the mid 70's to 2001.



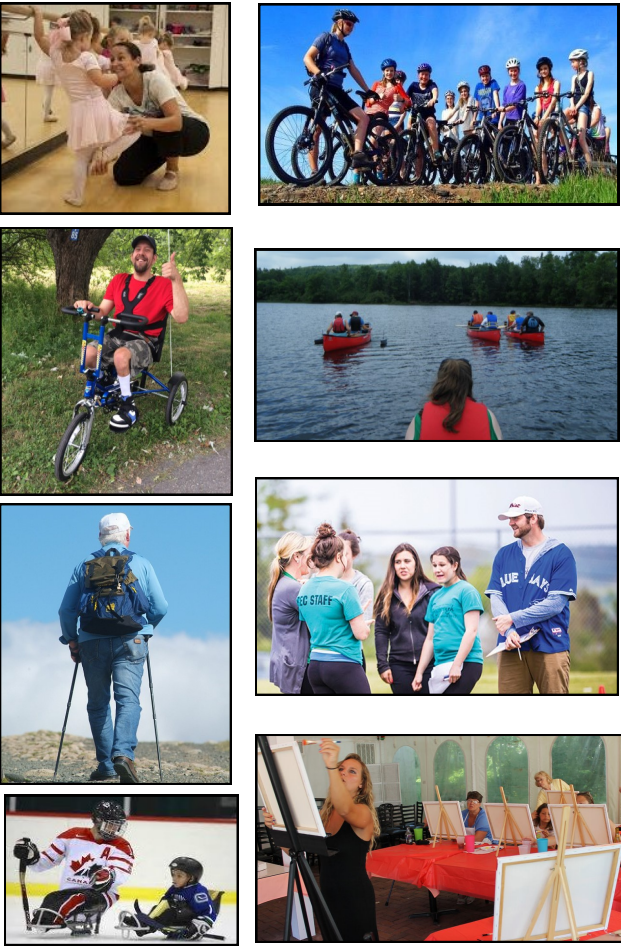
Gary supported the growth of sport and recreation in the Highland Region in the formative years, providing critical and essential leadership in establishing Recreation Committees, Commissions and Full Time Recreation Coordinator positions in all of the municipalities in Pictou, Antigonish, and Guysborough Counties. This was achieved between 1976 and 1980. Gary's commitment to leadership development, community development, with a strong conviction to collaboration resulted in the establishment of the Highland Region Recreation Coordinator's Association as it is now known.

Gary mentored many municipal recreation coordinators, commission and committee board members as well as volunteers in the sport and recreation sector; always to the end result of building leadership capacity in the Highland Communities.

Gary's foresight into the value of inter-municipal collaboration has helped to foster and sustain the longevity of the Highland Region Recreation Coordinators Association and by extension the group's ability to deliver joint projects and program such as this Leadership Development Program. The HRRCA would not exist today to collaborate on projects such as Highland Connect, Summer Recreation Leader Training, ongoing professional and volunteer support if not for Gary Boone's vision and dedication to the growth of sport and recreation in the "Highland".

"If You Have the Knowledge, You Have the Responsibility".... this is one of the leadership quotes from Gary which he practiced himself and for which we hope to support others to achieve through personal growth and development by means of the "GARY BOONE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FUND

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A project of the Highland Region Recreation Coordinators Association (HRRCA) in partnership with

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HRRCA is comprised of Municipal Recreation Departments in Antigonish, Guysborough, and Pictou counties.

