PAAN AMERICAN SOLIDARITY PLAN 2021 - 2024
Youth Athlete Preparation Program
Guidelines

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Panam Sports with its own funds will support the development of young athletes from the 41 National Olympic Committees (NOCs) members in our continent. The resources of this program will be dedicated to the young generations and their sports development, especially those who will participate in the upcoming Cali Junior Games 2021 and other International youth events that are scheduled in the current 2021 – 2024 quadrennium.

OBJECTIVE

To provide financial support to NOCs, to directly support any activities regarding their youth and junior athletes’ preparation for National, Regional, and International competitions and Multi-sport Games.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for the Youth Athlete Preparation Program, NOCs should submit the Youth Athlete Preparation Program application form duly completed and signed. Panam Sports welcomes the submission any additional documentation that may further support and justify the proposed application.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

- All Panam Sports NOC members can access this program, which is available from March 15, 2021 to December 31, 2024.

- $50,000 USD will be earmarked for each Olympic Committee member of Panam Sports.

- Panam Sports recommends allocating these funds towards assisting and promoting new generations of athletes who are preparing to participate at the Cali 2021 Junior Pan American Games and other International youth events. Also, to support promising young people who will be the future of their national teams. Funding for this program can be accessed for athletes between 14 - 23 years old.

- Each Olympic Committee must send their application to be analyzed by the Panam Sports Office. The funds received must be used in the same year that your NOC applied. At the end of December, NOCs that do not submit their application will lose those funds. To receive the resources for the following year, the NOCs will have to send the financial report of those previously received.

- This program allows for flexibility, so NOCs have the option to utilize the resources to hire coaches who contribute to the preparation of their athletes.
• To access the funds allocated under this Program, each Olympic Committee should submit to Panam Sports the respective application form detailing the NOC’s planned activities and the estimated budget.
• Any important changes to the confirmed proposal must be approved by Panam Sports prior to its implementation. Furthermore, the proposal must not coincide with initiatives included in other projects or programs, unless it constitutes a complement to the NOC’s strategic objectives.

**APPROVAL PROCESS**

NOC requests will be analysed and approved based on the information provided by the NOC in the application and the supporting documentation.

In some cases, approval will require further information or clarifications and may entail advice to maximise the benefits from other programs available to the NOC. This will be achieved through consultation with the NOC concerned by telephone, e-mail or in a meeting.

Any major changes to the confirmed proposal will need to be approved by Panam Sports prior to their implementation. Additionally, the approved proposal should not match initiatives included in other projects or programs unless it constitutes a complement of the NOC’s strategic objectives.

**FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

At the end of each year, NOCs will be required to provide a financial report in compliance with the Panam Sports Financial Guidelines for the entire sum of the annual Athlete Preparation budget.

The approval of the following year’s request and release of the advance payment will be conditional on the submission and approval of the project and financial reports corresponding to the activities developed in the preceding year.