

2023 ParticipACTION Community Challenge - Update

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BACKGROUND

ParticipACTION is a national non-profit organization, originally launched as a Canadian government program in the 1970s, to promote healthy living and physical fitness and currently delivers several programs, including the annual Participaction Community Challenge.

The ParticipACTION Community Challenge is a physical activity initiative that encourages everyone in Canada to get active throughout June in search of Canada's Most Active Community, and all minutes tracked on the app and website from June 1 – 30, 2023, count toward a community's total score. At the conclusion of the challenge, one community will earn the top prize of \$100,000 and the title of being Canada's Most Active Community, and one community from each of the remaining 12 provinces and territories will receive \$7,500 to \$15,000 to support local physical activity and sports initiatives.

INCLUSION

Everyone in Canada should have access to quality sports and physical activity opportunities that help them grow and thrive—physically, emotionally and socially.

We're proud to have received funding through the Government of Canada's Community Sport for All Initiative which is intended to remove barriers and increase physical activity and sport participation and retention of equity-deserving populations involving Black, Indigenous, racialized, 2SLGBTQQIA+, Persons with a Disability, low-income populations and newcomers to Canada.

This funding will help level the playing field by reducing barriers to physical activity and sport and building stronger and healthier communities.

TEAM HAMILTON EVENTS

Team Hamilton would like to report that over a dozen community organizations, programs and events will receive direct funding support from the Government of Canada's Community Sport for All Initiative, including:

- Soaring Spirit Powwow Festival.
- Fit, Active, Beautiful (FAB) 5k Run.
- Royal Canadian Legion (District B) Track & Field Championships.
- Hamilton Accessible Sports Council/Challenger Baseball Event.
- Hamilton Special Olympics & Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Sport Inclusion Event.
- City of Hamilton Open Streets Event.
- Mark Anthony Graham Memorial Track & Field Meet.
- Hamilton & District Cricket Association.
- Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board.
- Golden Horseshoe Track & Field Meet.
- Catholic Youth Organization.
- 91st Highlanders Athletic Association Elementary School Track & Field Meet.

CHALLENGE UPDATE

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As we are currently at the mid-point of the competition, our Team would like to provide an overview of the current standings and encourages residents to pick up the pace and increase their physical activity minutes for the remainder of the month.

As always, members of the Hamilton ParticipACTION Team are available to assist individuals and organizations through the registration process as well as advise on the submission of physical activity minutes.

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Provincial Rankings

- 1. Toronto.
- 2. North Grenville.
- 3. Ottawa.
- 4. Hamilton.



National Rankings

- 1. Toronto.
- 2. Salisbury.
- 3. Red Deer.
- 4. Tignish.
- 5. Calgary.
- 6. Montréal.
- 7. Barriere.
- 8. Edmonton.
- 9. Hamilton.