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The Canada Games Council (CGC) and the Foundation for Athletes and Sport Training (FAST) will launch the third year of the Canada Games FAST Track athlete grant program on November 8, 2006. Last year we received over 1,100 applications, and awarded 60 grants to *next generation national team* athletes across the country. Athletes from every sport, province, and territory in Canada applied, and it has been with your assistance that the Canada Games FAST program has been a success.

The number of applications has been rising steadily since the first year of the program. Three years of experience, together with your feedback, means that this year we are able to refine our systems to streamline the process of athlete selection. Included with this letter are the guidelines for the 2007 grant program, together with the appendices listing both the sports on the Canada Games program and the responsibilities of our sport partners.

Please inform your athletes that the Canada Games FAST Track program application and information are available at either www.canadagames.ca or www.fastcanada.org.

To ensure that the athlete selection process is streamlined and effective, please provide a copy of your NSO depth chart for upcoming athletes who are not yet carded in the Athlete Assistance Program administered by Sport Canada. It would be greatly appreciated if you could please email this to Mary Ellen Conway at cgft@canadagames.ca by December 1, 2006.

Thank you once again for your past involvement in the program. Please assist this year's program by posting both the application guidelines and a link to the application form on your website. In addition, please ensure you inform eligible athletes of the program.

For further information, or comments regarding the program, please telephone 613.526.2320 or e-mail cgft@canadagames.ca.

Kind Regards,

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