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Dear Ms Whitford

2016 – 2019 Supporting Victorian Sport and Recreation Program Guidelines and Expression of Interest

The Minister for Sport recently wrote to you to advise on the *Supporting Victorian Sport and Recreation Program* – a new Victorian Government funding program designed to enhance the investment into health and wellbeing of more Victorians through sport and active recreation.

The new program aims to strengthen the engagement between government and the sector, by focusing on the strategic priorities of government and the sector. The new program amalgamates nine programs into one streamlined process with a single application and reporting framework.

We are inviting you to provide a proposal that is consistent with both your organisation's strategic plan (or business development plan) and aligns with the priorities of the Victorian Government.

Please find enclosed an information pack which includes the Guidelines and Expression of Interest for your consideration and response. These documents outline the Victorian Government's priority areas of focus which aim to increase community participation in sport and recreation by building a more sustainable, equitable and inclusive sector.

Organisations eligible for funding have been grouped into four organisational categories, based on an assessment of existing participation levels and capacity of those organisations.

Orienteering Victoria is invited to submit a proposal of up to \$350,000.00 for the program period 1 January 2016 to 30 June 2019. If you have any questions or queries about the categories, or wish to discuss what it might mean for your organization, you are encouraged to make contact with the Sport and Recreation Victoria representative listed below.

Given the existing levels of participation and capacity of your organization, we encourage you to give priority in your expression of interest to activities that build the inclusiveness and capacity of your sport.

In the event that your organisation receives less funding through this process than it currently

receives, we propose to negotiate a three month (1 January 2016 to 31 March 2016) transition period where existing funding levels to your organisation will be maintained. This will allow time for any necessary adjustments to be made.

Information sessions have been arranged for the week beginning 16 November.

- Monday 16 November, 1:00pm to 3:00pm, 50 Lonsdale Street, Room 1.10
- Tuesday 17 November, 3:00pm to 5:00pm, 50 Lonsdale Street, Room 1.01
- Wednesday 18 November, 2:00pm to 3:30pm, 50 Lonsdale Street, Room 25.20
- Thursday 19 November, 10:30am to 12:30pm, 50 Lonsdale Street, Room 1.03
- Friday 20 November, 2:00pm to 4:00pm, 50 Lonsdale Street, Room 25.20

Please email sportprograms@sport.vic.gov.au to confirm attendance at the information session, and your preferred date of attendance.

A Sport and Recreation Victoria officer will also be in contact to discuss the development of your Expression of Interest. In the meantime please contact Michelle Khuu at Michelle.Khuu@sport.vic.gov.au or 9096 9871 if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Deputy Secretary
Sport and Recreation Victoria

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