



Hello Community, Recreational Enthusiasts!

Antigonish County Recreation (ACR) has a passion for outdoor recreation, and we strive to support individual and community wellbeing through recreational opportunities. We believe now more than ever, as we all navigate through this pandemic, a strong light has shown on the importance of participation in recreation and physical activities where all aspects of our health have been challenged.

Antigonish County Recreation is inviting you to enhance your community's outdoor recreation pursuits. ACR has received funding from the 2021-22 provincial program, Active Communities Fund which has the following goals:

- To support community wide initiatives that encourage less-structured movement and physical activity.
- To focus on community members who are less active, or who have fewer opportunities for movement and physical activity.

ACR aligns this funding opportunity with the goals of our Communities in Movement: A recreation and physical activity plan for Antigonish County:

To support Community Hubs as ongoing vibrant gathering places, centers of recreation and social development, as well as avenues for the development of new ideas.

We are asking communities if they have any needs to enhance their outdoor spaces to welcome more movement in the beautiful outdoors. ACR can provide community organizations funding up to the amount of \$750 for a limited number of initiatives.

A few ideas on welcoming more movement in the outdoors may include: the purchasing of equipment/gear (skates, sleds, snowshoes) to have available for community members; support in snow removal within trails/areas to allow for safer places to move; enhancements of outdoor rinks; enhancements in outdoor lighting.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, the outdoors has played a crucial part in keeping individuals safe, connected, happy, and moving! ACR wants to continue this wave of appreciation for the outdoors as it can continue to benefit the wellbeing of individuals and their communities.

We look forward to hearing of your outdoor recreational ideas and supporting you in these endeavors.

Sincerely,

Your Antigonish County Recreation Team