



## Next Gen Prospect Assistance Program

Tennis Canada has initiated a funding and assistance program for identified Next Gen Prospect athletes. The purpose of the program is to support athletes on their development pathway towards the entry level of the National High Performance Program.

To be considered for the Next Gen Prospect program an athlete must meet the following:

1. Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident
2. Be in good standing with Tennis Canada
3. Be favourably assessed by Tennis Canada based on the criteria identified in the Podium Pathway Checklist (see attached for reference)

Three tiers of Next Gen Prospect program assistance are available.

### **Tier 1 Assistance:**

1. Up to \$500 training grant
2. Court privileges at the National Training Centres (Toronto and Montreal)

To be eligible for consideration athletes must:

- Submit a letter in writing confirming an interest in training and competing in wheelchair tennis for a minimum of a one-year period
- Be training on court 1-2 times/month, 1 time of which with a qualified coach

### **Tier 2 Assistance:**

1. Up to \$1,000 training grant
2. Court privileges at the National Training Centres (Toronto and Montreal)

To be eligible for consideration athletes must be:

- Submit a letter in writing confirming an interest in training and competing in wheelchair tennis for a minimum of a one-year period
- Training on court 2-4 times/month, 1 time of which with a qualified coach

### **Tier 3 Assistance:**

1. Up to \$1,500 training grant
2. Court privileges at the National Training Centres (Toronto and Montreal)

To be eligible for consideration athletes must be:

- Submit a letter in writing confirming an interest in pursuing high performance training and competing in wheelchair tennis for a minimum of a one-year period
- Training on court 1-2 times/week, 1 time of which with a qualified coach
- Competing in 1-2 tournaments per year

The funding is to be used for coaching and court fees, travel, accommodation and entry fees. Funding is allocated upon submission of receipts. In addition, all Next Gen Prospects may be eligible for coaching assistance with the National Coach, and be invited to designated training camps.