

2020 OSFO Member Survey



RESULTS

IF YOU COULD HAVE ONE WISH GRANTED FOR YOUR SPORT'S FUTURE, WHAT WOULD IT BE...?

- All National Federations financially self-sustainable
- More funding for development
- More financial support from ONOC
- More opportunity for international competition
- Our sport to be included in the Pacific Games
- More funding for elite athletes to develop internationally
- Funding to allow Oceania athletes to compete on an equal footing in competitions throughout the region and the world
- To be sustainable
- Funding for a centralised regional development centre for all Oceania athletes
- The employment of a full time COO
- Funding to assist with education and development both on and off the field of play
- That member unions are not solely reliant on international federation funding
- More diversified revenue streams
- More competition facilities within the Oceania region
- Professional governance in all Member Federations
- Freedom to spend funding in areas most needed by the developing federations
- Increased funding opportunities

WHAT GOALS HAS YOUR SPORT SET FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS?

- Increase participation
- Establish more Pacific tournaments and competitions (in more countries)
- Increase number of nations participation in Oceania Championships
- Increase professionalism and prize money of events
- Increase number of Member Federations
- Employ a Chief Operation Officer
- Implement good governance, and encourage Member Federations to do the same
- Implement Gender Leadership courses
- Improve facilities and coaching standards
- Increase in skills
- Specific 2024 Olympic qualification quotas
- Strengthen media presence and relationships
- Develop and deliver player welfare programs
- Provide more education on diversity and inclusion
- Implementation of new sport offering (e.g. BMX, Baseball5)
- Increase number of Oceania nations / athletes / officials represented at top-tier international events

HOW CAN OSFO & OUR PARTNERS ASSIST YOUR SPORT TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS?

- Provide funding opportunities / create more awareness around what funding opportunities are available
- Offer governance training at an affordable cost for National Federations
- Provide opportunities for skill development in media and communications
- Assist with lobbying local governments for equipment/facilities upgrades, more sports to be included in school curriculums, and tax/customs exemptions for equipment being shipped to the Pacific
- Support of development of infrastructure to host more international events in the Pacific Islands
- Make Olympic Solidarity funding available for travel to regional competition, camps and courses
- Seek to establish more scholarship programs at US or Aus/NZ tertiary institutions
- Accept more sports onto the Pacific Games and Pacific Mini Games programs
- Encourage and facilitate more sports to work together to achieve shared outcomes
- Introductions between key stakeholders, including government, sponsors and NOCs
- Assistance with promotion and communications
- Assistance with improving the capacity of members, particularly those in administrative and communicative roles
- Assistance with sourcing trainers for course delivery

PART OF OSFO'S VISION IS "TO PROMOTE HEALTHY SPORT" – HOW CAN WE HELP YOUR SPORT ACHIEVE THIS?

- By being an agency to lobby local governments to include sports / facilities / equipment into their budgets and policies
- Assist with the creation of a promotional campaign around this message, to encourage both new participants at a grassroots level, but also new Member Federations
- Work together with ONOC on this message
- Assist with getting support from government health agencies
- Share 'good news' stories via social media and other digital channels
- Develop a Regional Conference around this topic, either as a part of the OSFO AGM or separately
- Increase promotion of inclusive sports
- Promote a holistic approach to training, and link sport to valuable lessons for life 'off the field' as well as on it
- Develop a basic set of governance standards and templates for Member Sports to use
- Provide a calendar of events and educational opportunities for all (Member) sports in the region

PRIORITIES FOR OSFO TO ADDRESS THIS YEAR ON BEHALF OF ITS MEMBERSHIP:

- **COVID-19** and how to recover from it
- Meet more often with membership (electronically)
- Work with ONOC to help NOCs in some countries improve how they operate
- Continue to provide connectivity with programs such as OSEP
- Advocate for Regional Sports Federations to be able to access Olympic Solidarity funds
- Continue to work with ONOC and the Pacific Games Council to develop a truly Regional Games
- Provide greater networking opportunities between Members Sports
- Help OSEP become more organised and relevant
- Better explain the role and value of OSFO for sport in the Pacific
- Introduce a Regional Calendar
- Continue to represent the interest of regional and national sports with ONOC and the Pacific Games Council, where sports may not have direct membership
- Assistance with government and sponsor contacts in member countries
- Access to education and learning opportunities
- Increased communication
- Assistance in attracting more National Federations to some sports
- Return of the ONOC Development Grant
- Gain access to survey and database service providers, so collective bargaining power can be used for services such as hotels, airlines, bus companies, insurance, etc.
 - Share contacts of these services between countries
- Develop a basic set of governance standards and templates for Members to use

Priorities - Review

- Increase number of Oceania nations / athletes / officials represented at top-tier international events
- More funding for elite athletes to develop internationally
- More competition facilities within the Oceania region
- The employment of a full time Staff
- Secure Funding from external sources
- Develop and deliver athlete welfare programs
- Increase promotion of inclusive sports

What Can OSFO Do?

- Create more awareness around what funding opportunities are available
- Assist with lobbying local governments for equipment/facilities upgrades, more sports to be included in school curriculums, and tax/customs exemptions for equipment being shipped to the Pacific
- Encourage and facilitate more sports to work together to achieve shared outcomes –*Buddy Program*
- Assistance with improving the capacity of members, particularly those in administrative and communicative roles
- Develop a basic set of governance standards and templates for Member Sports to use
- Provide a calendar of events and educational opportunities for all (Member) sports in the region
- Welfare – Positive Edge

2020 Priorities

1. Finalise Positive Edge Program and facilitate 'Hope Leader' (Hope Leader Job Description & Letter / Features of Positive Edge) - Edwina
Timeline: August 2020
 - To present at the OSFO AGM in September
 - Invite Athletes Commission / ONOC – AGM in September
 - EOI from Sports to be involved in Hope Leaders Training (Oct- Dec)
2. Continue to work with ONOC and the Pacific Games Council, Commonwealth Games to develop a truly Regional Games – Sport x 4
Timeline: Late2020 / Early 2021 / Chet to facilitate meeting
3. Regular webinars on various topics for OSFO Membership. Membership to be canvassed.
Timeline: Commence late 2020 - Edwina
4. Better explain the role and value of OSFO for sport in the Pacific (Prospectus) / Newsletter / Regional Calendar / Educational Opportunities / Establishment of Buddy Program
Timeline: September 2020 / Laura /Chet
5. Develop a basic set of governance standards and templates for Members to use – Laura / Chet
Timeline: 2021 – Chet / Laura
6. Investigate further Athlete Scholarship opportunities in the Pacific and communicate to OSFO Membership
Timeline: 2020 / 2021 / Helen