

## **Bobbie Steen Legacy Foundation Award Nomination Criteria & Submission Requirements**

### **Who was Bobbie Steen?**

Bobbie was a passionate leader and trailblazer for girls and women in the BC Sport community. She was an innovator and advocate for gender equity in all levels of sport with her contributions to sport as a teacher, volunteer, administrator, leader, and advocate for women in sport, simply



unsurpassable. She was the driving force behind both the Provincial (BC Women & Sport) and National, Canadian Women and Sport (formerly the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Girls and Women and Sport and Physical Activity, also known as CAAWS), organizations that promote the opportunity and accessibility of physical activity, sport, and recreation for those who identify as girls and women in Canada. As the founder and board member of BC Women & Sport, Bobbie led the Board to become the first Provincial sport advocacy group to be funded by the Provincial government.

Moreover, Bobbie was able to secure funding for innovative gender equity initiatives within the 1994 Commonwealth Games and Women in Coaching Program. She was instrumental in the development of a provincial sport harassment policy that continues to serve as a model for many organizations. She was the consummate lobbyist for more events, programs and initiatives for girls and women in physical activity, sport, and recreation.

### **What is BC Women & Sport?**

Previously known as ProMOTION Plus, BC Women & Sport has advocated for increased access to opportunities and resources for girls and women in physical activity, sport, and recreation for over 30 years. Working closely with the provincial sport and recreation delivery system, BC Women & Sport provides expertise and resources supporting the attraction, inclusion and retention of girls and women in physical activity, sport, and recreation. After a reduction in funding, BC Women & Sport merged with Sport BC in 2019 to ensure that there continued to be a voice in BC, ensuring that girls and women in physical activity, sport, and recreation have access to participation, coaching, role models, leadership, and expertise. BC Women & Sport works closely with organizations such as Canadian Women in Sport (formerly CAAWS), BC Recreation and Parks Association (BCRPA), BC Games Society, viaSport, Provincial Sport Organizations, and the BC Sports Hall of Fame on projects, events, and programs to meet gender equity goals.

## The Bobbie Steen Legacy Foundation Award

The Bobbie Steen Legacy Foundation Award was created by Bobbie's family to recognize and provide financial support to an emerging female leader who demonstrate ongoing commitment to the advancement of gender equity in physical activity, sport, and recreation in BC.

The award celebrates emerging female leaders who have made a difference in the advancement of girls and women in physical activity, sport, and recreation through their actions, passions, and commitment to gender equity, physical activity, sport, and recreation in British Columbia.

The funding is to be used by the recipient to support specific programs or education that champions gender equity. Programming and educational support must be delivered through registered Canadian charities or affiliated with a registered amateur athletic association or educational institution.

The Award of \$2,000.00 is generously provided by the Bobbie Steen Legacy Foundation.

### Criteria

- Demonstrate status as an emerging female leader in gender equity in British Columbia.
- Demonstrate ongoing interest, passion, and commitment to the advancement of gender equity in physical activity, sport, and recreation.
- Demonstrate financial need.

### Submission Requirements

- Any individual who meets the above criteria.
- Nominators are responsible for submitting material to the Selection Committee to support their nomination (document details below).
- Nominations will only be accepted via email and all documents must be combined and submitted in ONE PDF document with a MAXIMUM of 5 pages.
- **Submit completed nominations to:**

**Sport BC must receive the fully completed nomination packages by October 31, 2024.**

To help the Selection Committee understand the career achievements of the nominated woman, please upload the following documents in ONE PDF file that is a MAXIMUM of 5 pages:

1. One-page nomination form. *All fields must be completed.*
2. Two-page resume which includes a chronological list of accomplishments.
3. One letter of endorsement.
4. One-page Summary of Accomplishments which answers the following questions:
  - a. How has the Nominee has worked to advance girls and/or women in the field of physical activity, sport, or recreation? *This is a key question to consider when answering the questions and providing an overview of the Nominee.*
  - b. How does the Nominee plan to continue working towards advancing girls and/or women in the field of physical activity, sport, or recreation?

*\*We strongly suggest the application be completed as a collaboration between the Nominator and Nominee.*

*\*Any nomination package that is over 5 pages will not be accepted.*

Submission Deadline: Oct 31, 2024

## Bobbie Steen Legacy Foundation Award Nomination Form

Nominee Information	
NAME:	
EMAIL:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	
SPORT ACTIVITY:	
NUMBER OF YEARS INVOLVED:	
NAME OF ORGANIZATION: (If applicable)	

Nominator Information	
NAME:	
EMAIL:	
NAME OF ORGANIZATION: (If applicable)	
TITLE:	
HOW DO YOU KNOW THE NOMINEE?	