

Good morning community groups

First off, thank you for your continued support to the Canadian Tire Jumpstart program, we have hoped that this program has helped many families register with your organization. There has been a continued growth and increase in the program through the years. With the growth come changes to the program. Beginning the next funding term (July, 2018) applications for the jumpstart program must be submitted online by the families. (Leduc FCSS will offer assistance for families that are unable to do so on their own). Though the change will officially occur in July, I am encouraging you to start having your applicants begin to submit online instead of going through the paper format. In addition, the logo itself is being rebranded and I will send out new logos and flyers for your organizational websites in the next couple of month.

What does this mean to you as an organization?

- Families will be responsible for registering
- Families themselves will provide you a confirmation of the submission.
- Due to FOIP, this will eliminate all municipalities from keeping private information within our own systems

So now you will ask, how does the program now work

- Families that inquire about jumpstart will be directed to jumpstart.canadiantire.ca to apply online
- They must confirm the funding amount they are applying for with the organization
- The family themselves will apply online
- They will still require proof of low income either via T4, T4E, bank statements, or an endorsement letter (Submitted in place of T4)
- The family will receive a confirmation of application
- Once we approve it in the system ensuring all the document is correct, the family will receive an email confirmation approval with submission number
- The family needs to provide this submission number to the organization to show that they have been accepted into the program.
- Funds will be mailed within 3 weeks from approval date, unless it is a new organization that has never used jumpstart before (will take up to 5-6 weeks), referencing the submission number

My recommendation to all community organizations is to continue to work with the families through this process.

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