

# Support for Foothills Multisport Fieldhouse

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# About Volleyball Alberta

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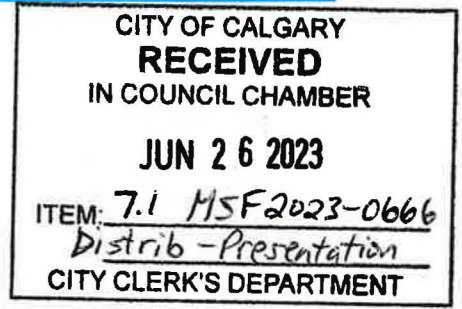
With approximately 13,650 members, we operate both beach and indoor volleyball at the recreational, youth development, and high-performance levels.

## Recreational

- Elementary Program & Community Programs developed (Smashball, Atomic, Tripleball)
- Successful, at capacity, youth recreational programs currently offered in Edmonton.
- Drop-in: low barriers to entry with high participation from women/girls and underrepresented groups.

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## Youth Development

- Club Volleyball system (12U-18U athletes) - 12 weekends of Premier and Provincial tournaments from late January – early May. There are regional based divisions and provincial based divisions.
- We offer ~ 10 weekends of beach tournaments late May – early August.

# 2023 Growth – Tournaments

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Overall	2022 – Number of Teams at Provincials	2023 – Number of Teams at Provincials	% Increase
All Teams	515	661	28%

\*22% Growth in comparison to 2020 (last event prior to shutdown)

Gender breakdown	Boys Teams	Girls Teams	% Girls
All Teams*	161 (1900+ athletes)	478 (5800+ athletes)	74.8%

\*12U is a Co-ed category and not included

# Facility Requirements

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2023 events required 55 courts per weekend on average to host events. The simple breakdown of requirements is as follows:

- North: 23 courts (~25 courts in 2024)
- South: 21 courts (~23 courts in 2024)
- Central: 10 courts (~11 courts in 2024)

We anticipate requiring at least 59 courts per weekend in 2024.

We require four courts within close proximity to operate tournaments effectively

# Calgary Facilities

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- Rally Pointe – 6 courts with reliable access
- Genesis Centre – 4 courts with reliable access
- Volleydome – 4 courts with restricted access ~1/3 of weekends (only to certain age groups)
- Post-secondary schools (conflicting varsity seasons) – mid-March to mid-April only
- City of Calgary schools (primarily single courts)

# High Performance – Team Alberta

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- ~150 indoor athletes for approx. 3 weeks in July
- ~30 beach athletes for approx. 1-2 weeks in August
- Program also supports coach & referee development

## Requires:

- 6-8 indoor courts with proximity to residences
- Classroom/presentation space
- Strength & conditioning facilities
- Sport science providers

# National & International Hosting

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## **20+ years of successful National Championship hosting**

- Festival events require 55-58 courts with 3 waves of events.
- In 2023, we hosted 18 courts in the Olympic Oval and 10 additional courts at the U of C (events were spread across Canada).
- In 2018, when Edmonton hosted National Championships, 800+ teams played on 56 courts.
- In 2015, Nationals were hosted in Calgary there was a \$36 million economic impact to Alberta including a \$27 million economic impact to Calgary

**2022 Volleyball Nations League host @ 7 Chiefs Sportsplex**

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