



Prince Rupert Youth Soccer Association Project Ts'mtsaaw Update

Prince Rupert Youth Soccer Association (PRYSA) has announced plans to enter into a lease with the City of Prince Rupert to build an indoor Futsal facility at 181 George Hills Way.

This project is called Ts'mtsaaw. Ts'mtsaaw is an intrinsic verb in Sm'algyax which means to be inside.

"We are very happy to be at this point, past boards have put us in a position to take this bold step. We look forward to moving into the construction phase and hope to be operational by early 2025.

Until that time, we will turn our attention to securing additional grants and sponsorships.

In the past two years, we have secured approximately \$55 000 in funding for project Ts'mtsaaw.

Ts'mtsaaw details

The key ingredients for an indoor facility are there, Prince Rupert has one of the shortest outdoor soccer seasons in the province at eight weeks and receives over one hundred inches of rain annually. Our outdoor registration numbers for certain age groups exceed ninety percent yearly. By adding this capacity, we can expand our programming to extend development opportunities for our local and regional players, coaches, and officials. The success of project Ts'mtsaaw will be measured by the introduction of additional recreational programming in the community. Such as,

- Soccer Tots – Soccer for children five and under
- Adaptive Soccer - Soccer for youth with abilities/disabilities
- Walking Soccer – Soccer for Seniors
- Adult Soccer – Men, Women, Co-ed competitive and recreational
- Pickleball
- Archery
- Lacrosse

PRYSA is a non-profit organization and is obligated to operate this as a non-profit facility. Funding to date has been provided entirely by reserve funds, grants, and donations from local businesses and individuals.

About Prince Rupert Youth Soccer Association.

The Prince Rupert Youth Soccer Association (PRYSA) is a member club/district of the Northern Interior Youth Soccer Association. The PRYSA has been supporting the promotion and development of soccer in Prince Rupert for several decades. The PRYSA is a non-profit sports organization of more than 400 registered players, and hundreds of coaches, parent volunteers, and community soccer leaders. Our association is led by a board of four directors. Board roles include President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

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