

# TMF Supports the International Paralympic Committee's Sport Development Initiatives

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**TOKYO (Nov. 1, 2024)** – The Toyota Mobility Foundation (Chair: Akio Toyoda, hereinafter referred to as “TMF”) has signed a grant agreement with the International Paralympic Committee (hereinafter referred to as “IPC”) to deliver a range of transformational global programs aimed to further develop sports for persons with disabilities at all levels.

This support extends beyond assisting current athletes and coaches in their development and participation in competitions to also include creating systems and environments for the future. The specific details are as follows.

## **Program Overview**

### **Period**

January 2025 to December 2028 (4 years) \*The amount of funding is undisclosed.

### **Details**

The program is structured around the three pillars listed below and targets athletes and related organizations worldwide.

- **Discovering and developing athletes**
  - Supporting athletes is at the core of the IPC’s programming. This area will develop the fundamental building blocks for long-term success including talent identification, competition opportunities, and access to mentors, coaches and classifiers.
- **Developing leaders**
  - The success of athletes relies on the dedication and leadership of changemakers within the Movement. The IPC’s programs support the development of disability inclusion champions equipped to drive positive social change worldwide through sport.
- **Participation**
  - Initiatives in this area focus on working with IPC members to create opportunities for persons with disabilities (including children and youth) to engage in sport, many of them for the first time.

The IPC will manage these activities overall, using its wealth of know-how, networks, and successful track record of activities. Selections and prioritizations will be made to ensure that appropriate support reaches the NPCs, sports federations, and, ultimately, the athletes who need it most.

The programs that will be delivered by the IPC will change lives, communities and will advance disability inclusion on a global level. Making the impossible possible symbolizes “Challenge,” “Respect,” and “Inclusion”—values that align with Toyota’s philosophy. TMF aims to contribute to further popularizing and developing sport for persons with disabilities while also working to “provide opportunities” and help “realize dreams” for as many people as possible.

Since its founding, the Toyota Motor Corporation has conducted its business activities with the aim of creating a prosperous society through automobiles while respecting all stakeholders, including customers, business partners, employees, and the local communities in which it operates. Accordingly, TMF was established in August 2014 to conduct activities that benefit the public good.