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Campbelltown City Council announces partnership with Sport4All with announcement of new Inclusion Coach position

Campbelltown City Council is proud to announce its partnership with Sport4All, the first South Australian council to partner with this nationwide program. Sport4All assists community clubs and local schools in facilitating accessible and inclusive sports programs for people with a disability.

The program is designed and delivered by Get Skilled Access, a disability-owned business enterprise founded by Paralympic Gold Medallist, Grand Slam champion, and 2022 Australian of The Year, Dylan Alcott AO.

To support the delivery of the Sport4All program, Get Skilled Access and Campbelltown City Council are recruiting for an 'Inclusion Coach' who will engage directly with local clubs and schools.

The Inclusion Coach role will be filled by a person with lived experience with disability, who has been involved in sport in any capacity—be that as a player, volunteer or administrator.

The Inclusion Coach will guide local schools and sporting clubs through Sport4All's online learning resources, helping understand what inclusion areas need focus. The role will also assist in the implementation of Sport4All's practical tools, guiding schools and clubs to be more accessible and inclusive for people with disability to participate in sport.

Bringing the lived experience of a person with a disability to clubs and schools will create a strong link to Sport4All's purpose, highlighting the benefits the program can bring and empowering people with disability to have choice and control over where and how they would like to participate in sport.

In collaboration with the Australian Sports Commission, the nationwide implementation sees a renewed focus on reaching all Australians, including regional and remote, First Nations and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities.

Campbelltown City Council Mayor Jill Whittaker: We're extremely proud to be connected to Sport4All and to be the first South Australian Council involved in the program. Campbelltown has a strong record of inclusion of people with disabilities and inclusive sporting clubs facilities to give the program a solid base. We have a strong sporting community in Campbelltown and the new Inclusion Coach position will support us to make school and community sports in our city more accessible for everyone. Community sports bring people together from diverse backgrounds and experiences and provides the chance for people to build relationships and connections, all while having fun and being active.

Sport4All Program State Manager VIC, TAS, SA, Jeremy O'Sullivan: "We're excited and celebrate having Campbelltown City Council, as our first South Australian Council to join the Sport4All program. People with disability face many challenges in accessing sport in South Australia, with only 8% actively participating in organised sport at least once per week. This program is about more than just playing sport, it's about creating a community where everyone feels welcome and is provided opportunity to participate, regardless of their ability".

Get Skilled Access is recruiting for the Inclusion Coach position, supported by Council. Applications are open from Friday 13 September at 5pm until Sunday 29 September at 11.59pm. For more information on the Sport4All program visit www.sport4all.com.au and view the job advertisement here.

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