

# **BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION**

At Dixie Soccer Club (DSC), we are committed to being a leader in the soccer community by ensuring that all individuals have the opportunity to participate in the sport they love.

We recognize the profound impact that sports have on personal development and well-being. With this in mind, we strive to create a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment where all participants feel comfortable expressing their identities.

#### **Commitment to Inclusion**

DSC welcomes and supports individuals from diverse backgrounds, including newcomers, immigrants, refugees, and those relocating from other cities, provinces, or countries. Our club is open to participants of all ages, genders, races, religions, abilities, and sexual orientations.

We are dedicated to ensuring equal access, fair treatment, and non-discriminatory practices for all members. We actively involve our participants in decision-making processes that impact their experience within our club.

### **Reducing Barriers to Participation**

As a community-first club, we take pride in offering programs and partnerships designed to remove financial and accessibility barriers.

## **Partnerships & Support Programs:**

### Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program & KidSport Canada

- These programs help children overcome financial and accessibility challenges, ensuring that kids of all abilities can participate in sports and recreation.
- More information:
  - Jumpstart Program
  - KidSport Canada

By prioritizing inclusion, equity, and accessibility, DSC continues to foster a welcoming environment where all individuals can develop their skills, build relationships, and enjoy the game of soccer.