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More vouchers to help kids *Get Started* in sport

Southside locals have been told to act quickly to secure \$150 *Get Started Vouchers* when applications open Wednesday next week.

Member for Stretton Duncan Pegg said Round 8 was intensely popular and vouchers were issued to help eligible kids within a few days.

“This program has been an enormous benefit to families in Stretton in helping them cover the cost of joining their favourite local sport or recreation club,” he said.

“The program will open on 25 January 2017, next week, so I am currently writing to local clubs and associations to make sure they’re ready.

“I know family Budgets are stretched and I am passionate about helping those who can least afford it cover the costs of joining a sport.

“We know the importance of teaching kids to live active lives and the associated health benefits and I believe there are enormous mental health benefits through the social inclusion and interaction of being involved in recreational activities.

“It builds confidence in kids and gets them away from TV and iPad screens.

“I have to stress that the vouchers are issued on a ‘first come, first served’ basis, so you need to be quick if you want to secure this funding.

“Last year 337 vouchers were issued in Stretton and I want to see even more of that funding coming here in Round 9.

“There will be over 25,000 vouchers available through the round, so many Queensland families will be supported for the New Year club registration period.

“These vouchers go towards the cost of club membership or participation fees.

“In previous rounds, the vouchers have met with huge demand and, in some cases, have been allocated in a matter of days.”

More than 4,100 clubs across Queensland have registered for the *Get Started* Program, ensuring there is a huge range of activities on offer.

Get Started Vouchers is one of four funding programs that make up *Get in the Game*, now over \$100 million in investment from this government to support grassroots sport and recreation.

For more information on how to apply for *Get Started Vouchers*, visit www.npsr.qld.gov.au/getinthegame

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