

# 2021 STRATEGIC PLAN 2028 HIGHLIGHTS

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### **OVERVIEW**



Swim Ontario is well-situated to continue and enhance its positioning as a leader in Canada's sport community and as a global leader in swimming. To maintain and enhance this positioning we need to continually innovate, seeking ways to reposition to build the sport, drive membership and in turn generate revenue that can be returned to the sport. The diversity of our club system must evolve and we, as an organization, must be prepared to alter our business model in order to meet marketplace demands (cultural and regional diversity, aging demographics, aging facilities, etc.).

**Swimming is a lifelong activity.** Swim Ontario, through its clubs and delivery partners, creates programs that leverage broad-based community activity. We must create member and partner programs that enhance our clubs' ability to increase membership through strategic alliances that will serve as a feeder system for our competitive streams.

The 2021-2028 Strategic Plan presents Swim Ontario with an opportunity to further strengthen its **VISION** of being a "world leader in swimming excellence at all levels". The **DIRECTIONAL GOALS** will be measured against the **MISSION**, "best in class provincial sports organization, that supports performance and participation for life", and through education, mentoring, responsible governance and exceptional service Swim Ontario will have a continuing legacy of champions and be recognized as a leader in the delivery of swimming excellence. Swim Ontario and the Ontario swimming community are guided by the following **CORE VALUES**:

- → Safe, respectful, inclusive and welcoming environments
- → People drive our success
- → Commitment to service and delivery
- → Collaboration, innovation, and personal development
- → Empowerment, teamwork and unity
- → Committed to winning
- → Dedicated to excellence
- → Integrity, accountability and risk consciousness of leadership
- → Acknowledge and celebrate achievements

### **PRIORITIES**



The Strategic Plan is driven by 3 PRIORITIES that form the foundation for success over the next eight (8) years.

Each priority overlaps with the others. They do not stand alone or act / operate independently.

Each priority is dependent on the others. Collectively, they provide a powerful platform for Swim Ontario.



### **ENGAGE INSPIRE EMPOWER**

## DIRECTIONAL GOALS



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#### PERFORMANCE SWIMMING

ightarrow Invest in the daily performance-training environment of targeted athletes, enhancing Swim Ontario's Performance Pathways:

World Class Performance Top 10 World Class Development Top 50

World Class Potential Top 100 and On-Track 1

Performance Identification On-Track 2 & 3, Prov, Nat & Int'l

participation, Post Secondary

- → Provide an enhanced provincial competitive strategy consistent with a performance pathway continuum aligned with the Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) strategy.
- → Develop athlete/coach tandems with best in class programs including in-reach and out-reach programming.
- → Enhance the delivery of Swim Ontario hosted learning and training opportunities for clubs and regions.

#### **CLUB SUPPORT, ENGAGEMENT & PROGRAMMING**

- → Develop comprehensive on-line resource and educational tools that guide club board members and administrators on structure, by-laws, policies and procedures, roles, responsibilities, marketing, delivery and succession planning
- → Develop comprehensive best in practice educational tools for athletes, coaches and officials aligned with the Swim for Life Provincial Performance Pathways.
- → Facilitate member Club management expertise, with a focus on retention and recruitment, via a club led mentorship program, coaches, volunteers and officials.
- → Connect and align Regions to their respective Clubs to enhance overall Swim Ontario strategic goals and Provincial Performance Pathways.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE, EDUCATION & GOVERNANCE**

- → Develop and monitor risk management issues, putting necessary policies and procedures in place to manage and mitigate risk
- → Create a 2-year, 4-year and 6-year financial plan, integrated with the strategic plan timeline review
- → Educate club boards, coaches and officials on the SO Strategic Plan to maximize alignment, progression and enhancing sustainability of clubs and programs
- → Conduct 'health check' protocols with clubs periodically to ensure positive progression and growth
- → Implement effective communication strategies and channels to receive input from regions and members and ensure timely reporting, member engagement and service feedback
- → Review staff capacity to meet technical programs delivery, member service needs, timely implementation of strategic plan initiatives and day-to-day business operations
- → Engage the SO alumni network to enhance board & committee intellectual capital, support fundraising initiatives and provide advocacy and influence on the importance of aquatics
- → Advocate for an aquatic sport friendly facility vision that enhances access and maximises training/competition opportunities for all Swim Ontario Clubs.