

## **CANADIAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM & FC KANSAS PLAYER DESIREE SCOTT, NAMED TEAM KIDSPORT™ ATHLETE AMBASSADOR**

Winnipeg, MB (June 13, 2013) – KidSport™ Winnipeg is thrilled to announce that Desiree Scott, FC Kansas City midfielder & Canadian Women's National Team player, has been named a Team KidSport Athlete Ambassador for KidSport Winnipeg.

Scott has been a professional soccer midfielder since 2006 and currently plays for FC Kansas City in the National Women's Soccer League. Scott is a key member of Canada's senior women's national team and won bronze as part of the team that competed at the 2012 Summer Olympics in London.

Named Manitoba's Female Athlete of the Year for 2012, Scott has long been a supporter of youth in soccer in the community and joins former Winnipeg Blue Bomber Doug Brown in becoming an ambassador for KidSport Winnipeg.

"I am truly honored to have been asked to become a KidSport Athlete Ambassador" said Scott. "Sports have been a huge part of my life and I am thankful that I now have the opportunity to help KidSport get more kids playing the sports they love! Without KidSport's assistance I truly believe I'd have missed out on many of my life's experiences, especially the Olympic Games."

The chair of the Winnipeg KidSport Committee, Angie McCaughan, is looking forward to having Scott act as ambassador. "We are delighted to have Desiree on our KidSport team; she is the perfect example of the positive impact sport can have on the life of a young person," said McCaughan.

Scott's agent, Chuck Vine of Ti Sports, adds "I'm thrilled Desiree has been chosen as a KidSport Athlete Ambassador. She feels strongly about giving back to all those who helped her reach such amazing heights as a professional & international soccer player. She sets a fine example to her peers & is a wonderful role model for these kids."

KidSport Winnipeg & Scott plan to hold a soccer camp for girls in October 2013.

**KidSport** is a national charity administered by Sport Manitoba that provides support to children in order to remove financial barriers that prevent them from playing organized sport. KidSport believes that no kid should be left on the sidelines and all should be given the opportunity to experience the positive benefits of organized sports.