



US Lacrosse Event Support Grant

What is the purpose of the Event Support Grant?

The Event Support Grant was established to award programs and organizations that place an emphasis on lacrosse and active lifestyle, especially programs or leagues serving underrepresented players or participants with severe financial need. These programs provide tournaments, play days, clinics and/or camp opportunities for an underrepresented population in the sport of lacrosse.

Who is eligible to apply for the grant?

Programs must:

- Demonstrate their ability to deliver lacrosse programming through experienced and committed leadership.
- Serve a high population of participants that demonstrate severe financial need or hardship or provide participation for an underrepresented lacrosse demographic.
- Commit to growing the game effectively and responsibly using US Lacrosse national standards and best practices.
- Provide a lacrosse event, tournament; play day(s), camp(s) and or clinic(s) opportunity for underserved youth ages 19 and under.

The grant may provide financial support for the following purposes:

- Fees associated with hosting a lacrosse event or tournament for underrepresented participants.
- Fees associated with conducting lacrosse camp(s) to allow for lacrosse awareness and exposure.
- Fees associated with conducting a lacrosse clinic(s) to support participation opportunities.
- Establishing a camp or clinic scholarship fund for players in the organization that demonstrate financial need.

What is the amount of the grant?

There are grants available for up to \$2,000 for an awarded organization. Awardees must re-apply the following year for re-consideration.

US Lacrosse is particularly interested in:

- Organizations providing opportunities for ongoing lacrosse participation.
- Organizations whose activities provide direct services to individuals and produce tangible results, rather than those that are policy oriented.
- The potential impact of the program/project and the number of people who will benefit.
- The organization's fiscal responsibility and management qualifications.
- The ability of an organization to obtain the necessary additional funding to implement a program or project and to provide ongoing funding after the term of the grant has expired.
- Programs that conduct necessary outcome and metrics data at two or more time intervals throughout the year.
- Programs that provide long-term play opportunities beyond elementary school.
- Nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)(3) designation.

US Lacrosse will not accept:

- Organizations that unlawfully discriminate as to race, religion, income, gender, disability or national origin.
- Applications that are incomplete or late.
- Applications requesting funding towards the purchase of land, construction of buildings or event sponsorships.
- Applications requesting funding for costs associated with capital projects.
- Applications requesting funding for costs associated with building or resurfacing of fields.
- Applications requesting funding towards non-playing/participation equipment (for example, public address systems, banners, trophies, videos, sunshades, carpet/limo, clubroom items, wicket covers, GPS).

Awardee Grant Requirements:

- Demonstrate a continuous dedication to providing opportunities for active lacrosse participation in diverse communities.
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- Commit to growing the game effectively and responsibly using US Lacrosse national standards and best practices.
- Organization must demonstrate organization's fiscal responsibility and the ability of an organization to obtain ongoing funding and sustainability.
- Provide program statistics, photos and updates upon request.



- Serve as informational reference or representative for the grant when called upon by US Lacrosse and Diversity Grant Selection Task Force.
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What are the deadlines and other relevant dates?

All grant applications must be completed online. Deadlines and other important dates are stated on the National Diversity Grant Program page

(<http://www.uslacrosse.org/diversity-inclusion/diversity-inclusion-national-grant-program>)