



# Youth Sports & Activities Grant Program

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# **I. Program Overview**

## **A. Introduction**

Recognizing that Platte County is a growing and dynamic area with a population that demands the highest quality parks and recreation and wellness opportunities, the Platte County Commission has developed the Youth Sports & Activities Grant Program. This program is intended to support the youth sports & activities within Platte County.

## **B. Administration & Funding**

Under the direction of the County Commission, the program is administered by the staff of the Parks and Recreation Department and Board of Parks Commissioners. All applications for funding are submitted to the Department and reviewed and evaluated by the Parks Board. The Board makes recommendations to the County Commission which has final approval authority.

Funds for the program are derived from the ½ cent sales tax approved by Platte County voters in August 2000, and renewed in August 2009. As outlined in the Park System Master Plan (updated in 2009).

## **C. Eligibility, Project Areas & Sponsor Requirements**

### **Eligibility**

Applicants for Outreach Grant funds must be based in or lease facilities within Platte County. At least 25% of the program participants must be Platte County residents, and/or organization or organizer that hosts youth sports or activities within Platte County.

All applications must include copies of adequate documentation for budget estimates and quotes, i.e. contractor proposals and estimates outlining work to be provided and associated costs when applying in category A and/or C.

### **Project Areas**

Eligible projects include three categories which are detailed below. Costs are eligible for the 2020 or 2021 season.

#### **1) Category A- Covid-19 Compliance Expenses**

Covid-19 compliance expenses, such as cleaning supplies, masks, disinfectant, barriers and other purchases necessary to keep kids, coaches, and spectators safe. These items can be applied for reimbursement if already purchased by applicant before this grant became available.

*Ex. If you purchased face masks for participants at the beginning of May, you are eligible to apply for reimbursement of the purchase with adequate documentation.*

#### **2) Category B- Participant Fees Scholarship Program**

Grants will be provided to youth activity organizations to supplement “means based” participation fee programs. We do not want kids to lack the opportunity to participate due to economic hardship. Please include a detailed explanation of your organizations current scholarship program.

#### **3) Category C- Equipment purchases**

Equipment purchases such as pitching machines, soccer goals, musical instruments and other items needed to operate youth activities. Proper price quotes must be included with application.

## **E. Application Process**

All proposals must be received by **5:00 p.m., July 24th, 2020** in order to be considered. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department if you should have any questions regarding the application or project eligibility before this deadline. Proposals will be reviewed by the Board of Park Commissioners on July 28th and considered by the County Commission. Grant awards will be announced by August 2020; successful applicants will be issued a Grant Agreement and “Notice to Proceed”.

All costs associated with the project **must** be documented if applying for category A or C. If applying for B please detail your organizations scholarship program for review.

All applications shall be emailed to Chris Oryshyn, Assistant Parks Director, at [coryshyn@co.platte.mo.us](mailto:coryshyn@co.platte.mo.us). Paper copies may also be mailed to Chris Oryshyn, c/o Parks & Recreation, 415 Third Street, Platte City, MO 64079. Please get applications in by July 24<sup>th</sup> as the Park Board will be reviewing applications at their monthly board meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup>.