

FC Tucson Youth Soccer Club Scholarship Program

No player should be denied the opportunity to play because of financial need.



OVERVIEW

FC Tucson Youth Soccer Club (FCTYSC) seeks to provide every committed player an opportunity to participate in our program. Financial assistance is allocated to families based on need. We regret that we are only able to provide financial assistance to the neediest families. All FCTYSC players are required to pay the club registration fee and are responsible for other miscellaneous team expenses. Scholarship assistance is provided for only one playing season (i.e. 2018-2019) at a time. Please read all instructions carefully before completing the application.

CRITERIA USED FOR SELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

- Application & financial need based on the last year's tax returns
- Compliance with previous FCTYSC obligations
- Level of involvement of applicant in youth soccer and loyalty to FCTYSC
- Level of involvement of applicant's family (parents, siblings) in FCTYSC & the number of children in that family who are in FCTYSC programs
- Level of involvement in extracurricular activities (school, community)
- Attempts made by team to fund the player
- Additional fundraising efforts on the player's behalf

**** Note:** All applications are evaluated without regard to gender, race, color, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or disability.

REQUIRED FORMS

1. FCTYSC Player Scholarship Application
2. FCTYSC Financial Assistance Application
3. Pima County Junior Soccer League Financial Assistance Request Form
4. 2017 Federal Income Tax Return and all related schedules, for all family members residing with the applicant and/or all guardians or family members providing financial support to the applicant. In some cases, additional documentation (e.g., other tax forms, W-2's, etc.) may also be required for FCTYSC to make a determination of the family's financial status.

**** Note:** For families with multiple children in FCTYSC, only one copy of the Federal Income Tax Return is required.

MAXINMOTION SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT

The Arizona Youth Soccer Association's (AYSA) *MaxInMotion* scholarship program offers assistance to needy families. This financial assistance is intended to cover a portion of the other necessary expenses associated with playing youth soccer aside from coaching fees.

**** TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A FCTYSC SCHOLARSHIP IN 2018-19, APPLICANTS MUST ALSO APPLY FOR THE *MaxInMotion* SCHOLARSHIP.** In 2017, applications for this scholarship became available in early June with a deadline for completed applications of July 6. *MaxInMotion* requires all applicants to submit a copy of their entire previous year's tax return. While MaxInMotion scholarship applications are completed on line, **a printed copy of your tax return must be submitted to the FCTYSC Scholarship Program Coordinator by July 1, 2018.**

After reviewing these documents, FCTYSC will pass them along to AYSA's scholarship coordinator. These tax documents will be destroyed once the application process is completed. *MaxInMotion* scholarship awards are applied against registration fees. Families with multiple children in FCTYSC should submit separate applications for each child. However, only one copy of the tax return is required from families with multiple children in FCTYSC. Notification of *MaxInMotion* scholarship award amounts usually comes in early September.

****All forms must be submitted and filled out completely or your application will not be processed.**

CONFIDENTIALITY

All information included on the applications will be held in the strictest confidence. Only FCTYSC Scholarship Program Coordinator Charlie MacCabe and his support staff will review the applications.

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

The application deadline is July 1, 2018.

- Applications may be emailed, mailed, or delivered in person.
- ***Emailed applications must be submitted as PDF files.***
- ***Do not photograph your application pages*** and then email them in that format. ***Do not attempt to fax applications.***
- A hard (printed) copy of your entire 2017 federal income tax return must accompany your application. This copy of your tax return will also be used to meet the MaxInMotion Scholarship's requirement (see above). You will also have to complete the on-line MaxInMotion Scholarship application prior to the deadline.
- All mailed applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2018. Applications received after that date will only be considered if funds remain available in the FCTYSC Scholarship Fund.
- Any application received after July 1 will have a 20% reduction in the award.
- Any application received after August 1 will have a 40% reduction in the award.
- Scholarship application forms are available in Spanish.

****Note:** Players new to FCTYSC who join teams after July 1 will be considered for financial assistance without penalty if scholarship funds remain available.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD NOTIFICATION

- All complete applications are processed in a timely fashion. Applicants who submit all their materials by July 1, 2018 will be notified by email of their award in a letter no later than August 1, 2018.
- These notifications will include **a scholarship award letter that must be signed and returned to Scholarship Program Coordinator Charlie MacCabe (see below)**. Once this acceptance letter is received by FCTYSC, the Club treasurer, team coach, and team treasurer will be notified of the scholarship amount awarded to that player. Scholarship awards do not go into effect until the signed award letter has been received by the scholarship coordinator.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SCHOLARSHIP PLAYERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

- Returning FCTYSC players must be in good financial standing with FCTYSC and have demonstrated a consistently high level of commitment, responsibility, and citizenship to their team(s).
- New and returning players must complete ALL the required forms.
- **All recipients have specific compliance obligations – SEE BELOW**
- Scholarship players are also required to participate in all team fundraisers.
- Families are required to notify the scholarship program coordinator if their financial situation changes during the playing season in a way that would have an impact on scholarship award.
- **Failure to meet these obligations will result in the suspension or termination of FCTYSC scholarship assistance.**

COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

1) All scholarship players or their parents/guardians must assist with the FCTYSC Fall Event or the FCTYSC Strikers Cup Tournament. For 2018-19, all scholarship players with last names beginning with M-Z will assist with the Fall Event, and those with last names beginning with A-L will assist with the Strikers Cup Tournament.

Those families assisting with the Fall Event must contact Volunteer Coordinator Christin Linehan (christintsa@yahoo.com/520-400-5871) at least 10 day prior to that event to arrange your volunteer task.

Those families assisting with the Strikers Cup Tournament must attend a mandatory meeting approximately two weeks prior to the Tournament where you will be assigned your volunteer task.

Field marshal assistance at the Tournament is expected from ALL FCTYSC families and does NOT constitute fulfillment of scholarship compliance obligations.

- After assisting with the Fall Event, scholarship families must return their signed compliance forms to the Fall Event staff, or Charlie MacCabe, Scholarship Program Coordinator.
- After assisting with the Tournament, scholarship families must return their signed compliance forms to the Tournament Coordinator, or Charlie MacCabe, Scholarship Program Coordinator.
- Blank compliance forms are distributed with the award letter.

- **Scholarship recipients who fail to return their signed compliance forms by October 15, 2018 will have their scholarship assistance suspended immediately and have any future assistance reduced by 20%.** Suspended scholarships may be reinstated, with the 20% penalty, by providing some service to FCTYSC at the discretion of the scholarship coordinator.

2) All scholarship players (U-12 and above) must assist with the Youth Academy (“Y Academy”) at least once during fall, and once during the spring of the 2017-2018 season.

OR

Players who are U-14 and above can also meet this obligation by helping with either field set up or take down at a FCTYSC recreational program play date (see #3 below).

The Y Academy is one-hour, twice-weekly program for young, inexperienced players. Scholarship players must contact Y Academy Director Becky Freeman when they attend a Y Academy session so she can record their participation. *Note: Scholarship players who attend more than one Y Academy session each season are paid \$15 for each subsequent session they attend.*

3) For the 2018-19 season, as an alternative to the Y Academy, scholarship players who are U-14 and above are encouraged to meet that obligation by helping with either field set up or take down during one Saturday FCTYSC recreational program play date. These Saturday morning play dates are held at either Udall Park, or Mehl Park. Interested players should contact Recreational Program Director James Parsons (fctucsonrec@gmail.com) by the Wednesday prior to any Saturday they wish to assist.

RESPONSIBILITY OF TEAM TREASURER TO MONITOR PAYMENT OF COACHING FEES

It is the responsibility of team treasurers to closely monitor the payment of coaching fees by all players, including those on scholarship. Most scholarship players will still be required to pay some portion of their coaching fees each month. Any players who are more than 30 days behind in their coaching fees should be brought to the attention of the head coach of that team immediately. Team treasurers are strongly encouraged to establish regular communication with the scholarship families on their team. Special payment schedules are sometimes necessary for these families to meet their financial obligations to FCTYSC. Any issues of this nature should be discussed with the team head coach as soon as they arise.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Completed forms and copies of the 2017 Federal Income Tax Return should be mailed, delivered, or emailed to the scholarship program coordinator:

Charlie MacCabe
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Tucson, AZ 85750
Mobile: (520) 405-6535
Home: (520) 731-8115
Charliemacc2@msn.com



**FC TUCSON YOUTH SOCCER CLUB
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FORM**

Please provide ALL the information requested below. Incomplete forms will not be processed. All information will remain confidential. Please note that there are two pages to this form. Your complete application must also include the (1) FCTYSC Player Scholarship Application, (2) the PCJSL Financial Assistance Request Form, and (3) 2017 Federal Income Tax Return and all related schedules for all family members residing with the applicant and/or all guardians or family members providing financial support to the applicant.

Player's Full Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Team (e.g. 03 Boys Red): _____ Coach: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____ Birth Date (m/d/y): _____

Mother/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Mother/Guardian Employer: _____ Phone: _____

Father/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Father/Guardian Employer: _____ Phone: _____

Household Income (This includes all individuals who contribute financially to the applicant's household whether they reside with the applicant or not.)

What is the total **ANNUAL** income for **ALL** wage earners in your household? _____

What is your monthly mortgage or rent payment? _____

What are your monthly car payments? _____

What is the total of your other monthly expenses? _____

If anyone in your household is receiving public assistance such as social security, unemployment, AHCCCS, food stamps, subsidized housing, or the school lunch program, list those assistance programs below.

(If you have special circumstances such as a health emergency or recent job loss that we should know about, please attach a description of your situation to this form.)

Are you a single-parent family? _____ Number of children playing competitive club soccer? _____

Number of children under 18 living at home? _____ Number of children in college? _____

How much of the monthly coaching fee can you afford to pay for your child each month? _____

List any parental support positions you will hold this year (e.g., team manager, treasurer, fundraising coordinator, etc.)

List the team fundraising/volunteer activities you participated in last year? _____

Scholarship Compliance Obligations: All scholarship players/families must assist with either the FCTYSC Fall Event or the Strikers Cup Tournament. If they are U-12 and above, they must also assist with the Youth Academy or the Recreational Program. Scholarship players are also required to participate in all team fundraisers. Failure to meet these obligations may result in the suspension or termination of all scholarship assistance. (For more detailed information on all aspects of the FC Tucson Scholarship Program go to FCTucsonyouth.com.)

By signing below, you confirm that the information above is accurate and that you understand the scholarship compliance obligations. Furthermore, you agree to contact the FCTYSC Scholarship Program Coordinator in a timely fashion if your financial situation changes during the season.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Date Received: _____ Amount/Month: _____



**FC TUCSON YOUTH SOCCER CLUB
PLAYER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**
(To be filled out by player.)

Full Name _____ Date: _____

Team (e.g., '04GR): _____ Coach: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Birthdate (m/d/yr) _____

Cell #: _____ Home #: _____

Email Address: _____

School: _____ Current GPA: _____

I am currently involved in the following community service activities: _____

Tell us in your own words why should be awarded this scholarship and what your future goals are.

Players Signature: _____



Pima County Junior Soccer League
Financial Assistance Request Form

Club _____

Player ID# _____

Player name _____

Date of Birth _____ Male ____ Female ____

Mailing Address _____

Parent Name _____ Parent Name _____

Full Registration Fee Scholarship__

Partial Scholarship (1/2 registration fees or more)____

Scholarship for less than 1/2 registration fees_____

(Do not include training/coaching fees. Scholarship consideration is given for registration fees only)

Please comment as to the need for assistance:

Parent / Guardian Signature _____ Date_____

Club Registrar Signature _____ Date_____

League Registrar Signature _____ Date_____