

2009 Recreational Tennis Grants

I am pleased to inform you that the 2009 Recreational Tennis grant application is now available online. The deadline for Round 1 applicants is January 30, 2009 by 5:00 PM EST.

The online grant application can be accessed by clicking:
https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID_527?SA=SNA&FID=35058

Please read below for more detail on this exciting new grant opportunity for USTA registered community tennis associations.

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) Recreational Tennis Division awards grants to non-profit community based organizations that support tennis programming and infrastructure in their local community. The USTA seeks applicants that are well established community based organizations or agencies committed to: increase tennis participation, support tennis programming, and foster diversity with both participation and programming. For those organizations that have submitted applications in previous years for the USTA Community Funding Grant and/or Outreach grant, those grants have been discontinued and will be replaced by this grant opportunity. The USTA will award grants to selected organizations that present a clear vision for establishing community based partnerships to meet these objectives. Recreational Tennis Grant applicants have the option to apply for assistance in two (2) distinct areas:

- **Program/Project Support**
(Grant Award Range: \$2,500 - \$10,000)

Applicants may submit an application seeking funding to support their general tennis programming, project and equipment needs. Applicants should meet the following objectives: increase tennis participation, support tennis programming, and foster diversity with both tennis participation and programming.

- **Community Partnership Investment**
(Grant Award Range: \$10,000 - \$50,000)

Applicants may submit an application seeking funding to establish and/or develop community based partnerships to meet the following objectives: increase tennis participation, support tennis programming, and foster diversity with both tennis participation and programming. The USTA will award grants to selected organizations that present a clear vision for establishing community based partnerships to meet these objectives. These proposals should involve all parts of the tennis community and leverage the USTA's financial investment at the local level. Matching funding is required from the applicant. It is expected that communities that receive this grant will become self-sufficient and not need USTA grants to operate in the future.

Who is eligible to apply?

USTA Community Tennis Associations (CTA), USTA National Junior Tennis League (NJTL) Chapters and Programs, Parks and Recreation Agencies, Schools(K-12)/School Districts, Military Base organizations, non-profit community based organizations.

How can this grant be utilized?

- Advertising/Marketing/Public Relations
- Tennis Equipment
- Tennis Court Fees

- Insurance
- Scholarships/Registration Fees
- Security/Background Checks
- Staff/Officials Fees
- Technology
- Tennis Uniforms
- Organization Development Training /Education
- General Tennis Program/Project Support

Note: The USTA Recreational Tennis Grant **does not** fund:

- Capital Projects
- Tennis Facility Renovation Projects
- Tennis Facility Construction Projects
- Individuals
- USTA Section/Districts
- For-Profit Organizations

Funding Priorities:

- Team based play tennis programs utilizing the Quickstart format for 10 and under children.
- Organizations with multiple community based partnerships to support tennis programming and infrastructure.

Application Process:

The USTA Recreational Tennis Grant application can be located at www.usta.com/cta Once the grant application has been reviewed, you will receive notification via mail regarding the acceptance or declination of your application. If declined, applicants must submit another online grant application to be considered for future funding. All funding decisions are final and may not be appealed.

Application Timeline:

	Round I	Round II
Application Deadline	January 30, 2009	May 15, 2009
Grant Notifications	March	August

Additional Questions:

Please email grants@usta.com with further questions or assistance regarding the application process.

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