

GRANT GUIDELINES

Funding Priorities

The Lindy Infante Foundation (“LIF”) welcomes applications from organizations and agencies throughout the Greater Columbus area to support youth sports programs and activities. In general, LIF makes grants to support program costs, sports equipment, and the renovation of sports facilities or refurbishment of fields of play. We fund a variety of sports for a broad range of youth, primarily in under-resourced communities.

Applicant Eligibility

- Organizations must provide structured sports activities for youth ages 6-17
- Organizations must provide programs and activities in the Greater Columbus area
- Organizations must be certified as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the US Internal Revenue Code and not as a private foundation, as defined in section 509(a) of that code
- Organizations must be in good standing with the Ohio Department of Taxation
- Organizations must have a written policy that addresses its commitment to keep children safe from sexual abuse by preventing, recognizing, and responding to situations that in any way compromise their safety, both on and off the playing field. [View: A Resource Guide on Preventing Child Sexual Abuse in Youth Sports](#)

Youth Safety

If you are applying for a grant to support any of the following sports, please [click here for additional guidelines](#): Soccer, Hockey, Lacrosse, Boxing, Rugby, Football or Martial Arts.

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Required Documents

The following documents will need to be submitted as a part of the application process:

- Current annual operating budget
- Most recent audited financial statement (If audited financials are not available, then the last two years of balance sheets, profit/loss statements and statement of cash flows must be submitted.)
- Detailed Program Budget using the provided budget narrative form
- List of Board of Directors (name, affiliation/occupation) and CEO/President

What We Do Not Fund

Grants are not made:

- To organizations that discriminate against certain groups or individuals in the delivery of programs and services on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation or disability.
- To individual persons
- For travel outside of Ohio
- To purchase land
- For debt recovery or incurring debt liability
- For endowments
- For sponsorships
- For religious purposes
- For influencing legislation and/or elections; for political campaigns or candidates

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