



PHOENIX WOMEN'S SPORTS ASSOCIATION

## CLUB SPORT SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street City State Zip

Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Current Total Club Cost (including travel, fees, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested \_\_\_\_\_ Date Needed \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sport \_\_\_\_\_

Club Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Club's Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street City State Zip

***Please Attach*** all requested documents found in the scholarship application packet.

This includes:

- ❖ This Scholarship Request Form
- ❖ Picture of Applicant
- ❖ Report Card of Transcript from past three (3) semesters.
- ❖ Resume of athletic and extra-curricular accomplishments.
- ❖ Two (2) letters of recommendation
- ❖ Applicant's handwritten essay as to what this scholarship would mean to them.
- ❖ Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) balance sheet and/or tax return
- ❖ Parent(s) letter of what this scholarship would mean. (Optional)

Please contact Tony Cordova at 602-971-4200 with any questions or e mail  
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## PHOENIX WOMEN'S SPORTS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### PURPOSE

The Phoenix Women's Sports Association ("Association") Scholarship Program is intended to further the educational and training opportunities for young women in the Phoenix metropolitan area by promoting a strong educational base while encouraging talented youth women to pursue athletics in high school and at the collegiate level.

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Scholarship awards will be made only to those individuals who meet the eligibility requirements set forth herein. Girls beginning at age 10 through high school graduation who reside in Arizona and who demonstrate a commitment to athletic excellence and financial need are eligible to apply for scholarship awards. The scholarship funds will be paid directly to the scholarship recipient's club team to be applied toward the recipient's club fees, uniform costs, and any related travel costs incurred while participating in the approved club sport.

### ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Scholarship awards are available to girls beginning at ages 10 through high school graduation, reside in Arizona, and have demonstrated a commitment to athletic excellence. The parent(s) or guardian(s) of Scholarship applicants must demonstrate a financial need. Children of members of the Board of Directors of the Association, as well as children of the members of the Scholarship Committee, are not eligible.

[If illness or other conditions beyond the control of a scholarship award recipient delays the start of his or her training, the scholarship award may be held in abeyance by the Scholarship Committee for use by the recipient within one year. Scholarship awards not used within the one-year period may be awarded to other eligible scholarship applicants, in the Association's sole discretion]

Receipt of a scholarship or other financial support for club sport participation from another source will reduce the amount of the scholarship award from the Association, but does not disqualify an applicant from receiving such funds from the Association

Scholarship award recipients may continue to receive scholarship awards as long as they meet the eligibility requirements set forth herein.

Eligibility requirements for each applicant are as follows:

1. The scholarship award applicant must be a girl who will be no younger than the age of 10 at the beginning of the club season, and who has not yet completed high school.
2. An applicant must have maintained a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent) during her academic school year.
3. Scholarship award recipients must use the scholarship money for the current club season. Extension of the scholarship period may be granted by the Scholarship Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, in the case of illness, injury or other hardship.

4. Evidence of acceptance by or enrollment in a Club must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee before any scholarship award payment is made.
5. The parent(s) or guardian(s) of the applicant must demonstrate financial need by providing a copy of their most current tax return or a completed balance sheet.

#### SELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

The "Scholarship Committee" shall be composed of [7] members, four (4) of whom shall be directors of the Association, and three (3) of whom shall be community members. The committee members will be chosen by the Association Board of Directors.

Upon receipt of scholarship award applications from eligible applicants, the Scholarship Committee shall screen and evaluate the scholarship award applications. After screening and evaluating the scholarship award applications, the Scholarship Committee shall select the names of the applicants who qualify for the interviews with the Scholarship Committee. Following the interview phase, the Scholarship Committee shall select the names of the scholarship award recipient(s). The Scholarship Committee's selection of scholarship award recipients is final.

No member of the Scholarship Committee shall be in a position to derive a private benefit, directly or indirectly, if certain scholarship award applicants are selected over others.

The Scholarship Committee will award scholarships on an objective and non-discriminatory basis. The following factors only will be considered by the Scholarship Committee in selecting scholarship award recipients:

1. Scholastic achievement (report card or transcript for past 3 semesters);

2. Resume of athletic accomplishments;
3. General aptitude for a commitment to athletic excellence as evidenced by athletic tryout, and recommendations from coaches in the respective club sport.
4. Two (2) recommendations from either teachers, guidance counselors, coaches or others in a position to comment on the applicant's character, ability, and seriousness of purpose;
5. Applicant's handwritten essay as to why they deserve a scholarship
6. Applicant's interview (At the discretion of the committee).
7. Demonstration of financial need.

NO OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

The availability of scholarship awards will be announced by the Association. Interested candidates may request application materials. Upon the receipt of such a request, complete application materials and instructions will be mailed to the applicant. The packet of material will contain forms for obtaining the following information about each applicant for the confidential use of the Scholarship Committee:

- a. Personal information concerning the applicant;
- b. Information regarding the applicant's extracurricular, community and other activities;
- c. A transcript of grades earned by the applicant during their past [3] school semesters;

- d. The applicant's handwritten personal essay pertaining to why they deserve a scholarship.
- e. Recommendations from teachers, guidance counselors, coaches and others in a position to comment on the applicant's character, ability, and seriousness of purpose.
- f. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) balance sheet or tax return.

#### GRANTING OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The evaluation of all applications will take place immediately following the deadline date for receipt of applications announced by the Scholarship Committee. In the event a scholarship is awarded, the recipient's name and the amount of the scholarship award will be announced by the Association.

#### PAYMENT AND SUPERVISION OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Upon receiving evidence from the Club that a scholarship award recipient has been accepted for initial enrollment or will continue in his or her athletic training program, progress payments for the full amount of the scholarship award for the Club sport season will be paid directly to the Club. As long as (i) the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the scholarship recipient and the club team coach have signed the required contract with the Association, and (ii) the scholarship award recipient (x) continues to be enrolled in the Club, (y) maintains the required minimum GPA (or equivalent), and (z) receives acceptable participation and character reports from the Club team coach(es), the scholarship award monies will be paid to the Club by the

Association to cover the cost of the scholarship award recipient's club fees, uniform costs, and any related travel costs, until the scholarship award is exhausted.

If a scholarship award recipient terminates his or her enrollment or participation with the Club for any reason, prior to exhaustion of his or her scholarship award, any pre-paid amounts or unexpended portions of the scholarship award which are subject to refund will be returned by the Club to the Association.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Scholarship Program is sponsored and administered by the Association, a non-profit organization. The Board of Directors of the Association and Scholarship Committee exercises full supervision and control of the Scholarship Program and its continued conditions of operation. A representative of the Association will handle the day-to-day administration of the Scholarship Program.