

2018 - 2019UAHA Fee Assistance Application Determining Eligibility

- 1. <u>Allocations</u>: Funds shall be allocated to the Utah Hockey (UAHA) participant from the most financially disadvantaged family first, the next most financially disadvantaged family second, and so on until all available funds have been allocated. UAHA may also use certain other hardship cases, other than financial as it sees fit. If there are not sufficient applications to utilize the funds available the remaining funds shall be returned to the Utah Hockey General Fund.
- 2. <u>Maximum Award</u>: No individual award is to exceed a maximum of \$250 for the season. Individual allocations may be for less than the maximum allowable amount based on evidence of need and other criteria determined applicable.
- 3. <u>Application Deadline</u>: The final date certain for application submittal shall be September 21st of the 2018 2019 season for which the applications are to be reviewed. Applications are planned to be approved at the UAHA Board meeting on October 1st.
- 4. Reports and Confidentiality: To maintain confidentiality, a written report of allocations shall be made only to the President of the UAHA Board of Directors on or before the October UAHA Board meeting. UAHA Board member will receive a summary of the applications having first names, month and year of birth, and stated annual income.
- 5. Hardships: In addition to income, extreme hardship may be considered. Players losing a parent(s), having a family suffer catastrophic uninsured injury, etc., all may be considered. The President of the organization for whom the applicant participates must submit a letter/email with the attached application, explaining the extent of the hardship and effect it has had on the applicant's ability to financially provide for his/her participation with the UAHA Sub- Affiliate/ Member Organization.
- 6. <u>Use of Funds</u>: Funds are to be used only for mitigation of participation fees. The UAHA Sub- Affiliate/ Member Organization President must certify in writing the amount of the Team Fee and that the applicant is in good standing with his/her team. Should the applicable team participation fee be less than the maximum, that amount shall be considered the maximum for that applicant.
- 7. <u>Limits on Use of Funds</u>: Funds are only to be used to pay for team fees. These funds may not be used for summer hockey programs, camps, uniforms, equipment, tryout fees, excess charges, travel, or any other extraneous cost not part of the normal team fees.

- 8. <u>Crediting Funds to the Players Organization</u>: The funds shall be sent to the player's organization upon the award allocation. Should the player fail to complete the season for any reason other than injury, the fee assistance shall be re-paid to UAHA by the player's parent/guardian.
- 9. <u>Eligible Applicants</u>: All youth members (18 years old and under (19 years and younger for female players), of UAHA are eligible to <u>apply</u> for this financial assistance. Allocations are subjective and are determined strictly on the basis of need. All decisions are final. Filing of an application or membership UAHA does not guarantee an award.
- 10. <u>Accuracy of Information</u>: All information must be accurate and truthful. If misleading or false information is provided, the application is to be immediately removed from consideration. Should it be determined at any time after the award of funds that the recipient provided false or misleading information, the recipient shall return all funds awarded.
- 11. <u>Interviews</u>: An interview with the applicant or the applicant's parent(s)/guardian(s) <u>may</u> be requested prior to any decision. In order to be eligible for a distribution, the applicant and/or the applicant's parent or guardian must attend the requested interview.
- 12. <u>Confidentiality</u>: All information provided shall remain confidential. Any supplemental information submitted at the request of the Fee Assistance Committee shall be returned to the applicant prior to the 30th of June of the year following the allocation.
- 13. <u>Additional Requirements</u>: An applicant may be required to participate in the fund raising activities of their organization should his/her team make such opportunities available.