



Coach Mike Mallard Scholarship Assistance Program

Tustin Pop Warner Football & Cheer ('TPWFC') provides registration fee scholarships to local athletes, who without financial assistance would not otherwise be able to participate. The Coach Mike Mallard Scholarship Assistance program focuses on providing opportunities for our area youth to participate in football & cheer for the physical, mental, and character-training benefits this program can provide. Scholarship assistance will be dependent upon the TPWFC funds available and the participant's documented financial need.

A grant from The Griswold Foundation funds the Coach Mike Mallard Scholarship and is in place to honor Coach Mike Mallard, who passed away in 2016. Coach Mallard coached many athletes since 2001. His dedication as a volunteer and mentor is honored through this scholarship which will help kids play football and cheer who otherwise might not have the finances to do so. Our primary goal is to help as many young athletes participate in TPWFC that we possibly can. We anticipate a large number of requests for assistance and although our funds are limited, we will do our best to financially assist as many qualified participants as we can. For those who do not qualify for the grant scholarship, or should funds not be available, the payment option of monthly installments is available.

Application and supporting documents Letters, to be emailed sent to the playtustincobras@gmail.com or mail to P.O. Box 1345 Tustin CA 92780. Financial assistance are NOT guaranteed to every applicant.

Deadline to submit applications is May 15, 2018 with notification to participants by May 30, 2018

Requirements for Eligibility:

- Athlete must be age 15 or younger
- Athlete must commit to attend a minimum of 80% of scheduled practices and games
- Must live in the Tustin/North Tustin area and attend a Tustin Unified school
- Proof from TUSD for free or reduced nutrition program
- Participation by a family member as a volunteer in at least one (1) league event during the scholarship season
- A parent, guardian, or head of household must complete application, with **all** requested information provided. (Incomplete applications will not be considered.)
- Cannot have received scholarships from other organizations in addition to that of TPWFC for the football season
- 2017 tax return documentation to support need based scholarship application
- Letter from parents explaining the financial need, importance of participation and willingness to volunteer in the Program
- Personal Letter from the player or cheerleader explaining the desire to participate in Football (Jr. Pee Wee level or higher which is 8+ years old) or Cheer: 'Why I want to participate in youth football or cheer'. Letters will be reviewed by Committee.

Priority Will Be Given to Eligible Youth Meeting One or More of the Criteria Below:

- Living in a single parent household.
- Receiving assistance from programs such as: School Assisted Lunch Program, Food Stamps, Medicaid, SSI, Foster Care, WIC, etc.(Must provide written documentation of participation in these programs to receive priority status)
- Written recommendation by school representatives, social workers, youth community center workers, or other social services representatives.

Approval process of a registration scholarship does not register the participant for TPWFC. You will still need to complete all registration documents as well.

2018 Coach Mike Mallard Scholarship Application

Date of Application: _____

Player Name: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____ Preferred Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

What is the annual household income (Confidential)? \$ _____ Household Size: _____

Do you receive or qualify for the Free and Reduced-price meals program through the Tustin Unified School District?

_____ Yes _____ No

Please attach the following documents to the application submission:

- A Letter from the parent or guardian describing the circumstances of the family's financial need and employment details and why participation in youth football or cheer is important to them.
- To demonstrate commitment to the mission of the program, a personal statement that answers "Why I want to play football or cheer & What does football/cheer mean to me off the field." To be submitted by each applicant who is 8 years or older.
- Proof of free or reduced price nutrition program through TUSD
- 2017 tax return with social security numbers blacked out

The Selection Committee will review your application and determine if you qualify for an award. Please make sure all information is complete and correct. All personal information that will be kept confidential within the Review Committee. TPWFC Treasurer will contact applicants with special instructions for signing up on-line while waiting for notice of scholarship acceptance or denial.

Deadline for Complete Applications: May 15th

Notification of Participants of Scholarship Award: May 30th

CONSENT TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I understand that my signature authorizes TPWFC to obtain verification of all the information on this application and that additional information may be necessary for approval of this application. I certify that all of the information on this form is true and correct. **I understand that my child(ren)'s participation in this program requires a commitment to attend a minimum of 80% of the scheduled practices and games.** I agree to notify TPWFC of any change in my income or ability to pay. I am aware that assistance funds are awarded for a maximum of one year, after which time it is my responsibility to reapply.

Parent /Guardian (Print): _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____