

Optimist Club of Winston-Salem
Soccer & Field Hockey
Financial Assistance Guidelines

Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey strive to provide opportunities to all youth, regardless of the ability to pay, to the extent that assistance funds are available. Funds for the Financial Assistance Program are donated by families of current players and through fundraising with our corporate sponsors.

Application for financial assistance does not guarantee that assistance will be provided. Financial assistance is not guaranteed from season to season.

Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey provides financial assistance up to 75% of registration fees, based on demonstrated need by each applicant.

Applications for assistance must be received by Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey by the dates listed below:

- Spring Season – Program Participants must apply by January 30. Award notifications will be provided to the applicant no later than February 10.
- Fall Season – Program Participants must apply by July 30. Award notifications will be provided to the applicant no later than August 10.

Financial assistance does not cover uniforms or equipment. Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey will make efforts to assist in these areas, if requested, and based on demonstrated need by each applicant.

Parent/Guardians must contact Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey immediately should their financial status change at any time during the season(s).

As part of the Financial Assistance Program, families that are granted assistance will be expected to volunteer a certain number of hours to Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey. There are multiple opportunities available each season. Failure to complete volunteer time may result in discontinuation of financial assistance. Opportunities to volunteer will be outlined on the Financial Assistance Application.

To ensure fairness to all families who apply for assistance, the parent/legal guardian must provide to Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey all of the following documents:

- A completed Financial Assistance Application
- A copy of the most recent paycheck stub for all employed household members

The application and supporting document(s) will be reviewed by the Finance Committee and, if requested, returned back to the family. If documents are not requested to return, Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey agrees to shred all confidential documents. Failure to submit proper documentation could result in denial of your request for assistance. Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey reserve the right to discontinue any financial assistance at any time should the information provided is found to be incorrect.

Applicant may mail or drop off required documents to Optimist Soccer & Field Hockey, 3051B Trenwest Drive, Winston-Salem, NC 27103. For any direct questions, please contact the office 336.774.6773 or email wsoptimist@att.net.