



# Vernon Soccer Club Financial Aid Program

VSC P.O. Box 2295 Vernon, CT 06066

## PROGRAM PURPOSE

Vernon Soccer Club (VSC) strives to provide an affordable sports experience for all participants. VSC aims to offer some financial aid to players who demonstrate need. There is a finite amount of aid available each season, based on VSC's annual budget. This policy includes information on how the program works as well as what financial aid covers. For questions about the club's financial aid program, you can email: [registrar@vernonsooccerclub.org](mailto:registrar@vernonsooccerclub.org).

## FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES

Families requesting financial aid must complete the VSC Financial Aid Form either through the online option available on the VSC website [www.vernonsooccerclub.org](http://www.vernonsooccerclub.org) (Not currently enabled), or by submitting a hard copy form. Families are required to complete one form for each player for whom they are requesting aid. Financial Aid Form due dates are listed below:

- **Spring soccer- Feb 15<sup>th</sup> / Fall Soccer –August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Those unable to complete the online form should mail completed forms to:  
VSC Financial Aid, P.O. Box 2295 Vernon, CT 06066

## FINANCIAL AID AWARD LEVELS

Award levels vary according to need and are granted in increments of 25%, 50%, 75% & 100% financial aid. In the case of similar need, applications will be processed according to the date they were received. We are hopeful that families will be honest about what they need.

Families will be notified of their acceptance or denial of financial aid by mail or email. A signed contract including payment will be due;

- **Spring Soccer- March 15<sup>th</sup> / Fall Soccer –August 31<sup>st</sup>**

## PROOF OF NEED

VSC no longer uses free or reduced school lunch as the primary determining factor in granting financial aid as it is made available now to most families regardless of need. There is an area on the application form to explain your circumstances for requesting aid.

## CONFIDENTIALITY

All financial aid applications completed online are done so on a secured web server and hard copy forms submitted will only be reviewed by the VSC President, Registrar & Treasurer.

**Financial aid is not paid directly to any applicant but will be used to reduce registration fee.**



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## FINANCIAL AID FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How Do I Apply For Financial Aid?

A: The preferred method is the online application available at [www.vernonsoccerclub.org](http://www.vernonsoccerclub.org). (not currently enabled).

Q: How Much Aid Is Available, Am I Guaranteed Aid?

A: VSC budgets a set amount of financial aid each year, so not everyone applying will automatically receive it.

Q: What Does Financial Aid Cover?

A: Financial aid covers a portion of a player's registration fee. Financial Aid does not cover required shin guards or socks for soccer season or any required uniforms for travel.

Q: What Factors Go Into Awarding Financial Aid?

A: The VSC Financial Aid Program largely depends on a family's proof of need. The Financial Aid Application includes a section to explain extenuating circumstances for aid requests.

Q: When Will I Know If I Qualify For Aid And Amount Of Award?

A: Families will be notified by mail or email of program acceptance or denial and the amount of award based before the beginning of each season. If awarded aid, the letter will include an agreement outlining the commitment required to receive aid and the amount granted. Those being offered financial aid will have one week to return a signed copy of the agreement.

Q: If I Have More Than One Player In My Family, Do I Need To Complete A Financial Aid Application For Each One?

A: Yes, VSC requires a separate form for each member of the family.

Q: Do I Need To Complete A Financial Aid Form Each Year I Need Aid?

A: Yes, VSC requires each family to complete a new application each season.

Q: Where Do I Go If I Have More Questions About Financial Aid?

A: You can email the registrar at: [registrar@vernonsoccerclub.org](mailto:registrar@vernonsoccerclub.org)



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Month, Date, Year  
Family Name  
Family Address  
City, State, Zip

Member Name,

After processing your application for financial aid, VSC is able to offer you aid in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ for the (date of season). To formally receive this aid, you must complete the Financial Aid Agreement included on the bottom of this letter and return it to VSC within one week of the date on the top of this letter. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of this offer. Information about the VSC Financial Aid Program can be found on our website ([www.vernonsoccerclub.org](http://www.vernonsoccerclub.org)), by contacting our registrar at: [registrar@vernonsoccerclub.org](mailto:registrar@vernonsoccerclub.org)

## VSC Financial Aid Agreement

I accept the financial aid being awarded by VSC and agree to adhere to all of the club's rules and regulations including the club's Volunteer Policy and agree to complete the required Volunteer Commitment. I acknowledge that failure to do so may make my family ineligible for any future financial aid.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date