

City of Milford Milford Recreation Department Scholarship Fund



The Recreation Department has established a Scholarship Fund to ensure Milford residents are not denied the benefits of municipal recreation programs due to the inability to pay. The Department believes that all residents should have the opportunity to participate in recreation programs, which foster personal development, promote health and wellness, and increase cultural awareness.

The scholarship fund establishes the eligibility requirements and determines criteria for scholarship awards, which applies to all programs solely administered by the Department for which a fee is charged. The scholarship fund will be available to children, adults, and seniors.

Who is Eligible?

Applicants must be Milford residents, or own Real Estate in Milford.

Applicant's households must have an annual income equal to or less than 200% of the current federal poverty level, as determined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's Federal Poverty Guidelines for the current calendar year.

What are the Scholarship Levels?

Scholarships will be awarded on three levels; 25%, 50%, & 75% of the program's registration fee.

In order to allow maximum participation in the scholarship program, no full scholarships will be given and the maximum amount of money awarded per person per calendar year shall be \$300.00.

Availability of scholarship is dependent upon funding. When funds are available scholarships will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis.

What if I still can not afford the program?

No individual will be denied the opportunity to participate in a program based on the inability to pay.

If someone is having a difficult time, arrangements will be made for a payment plan, which shall not exceed the length of the program for which they are registered.

When should I apply and when will I be notified?

Applications and Supportive documents must be submitted 14 business days prior to the start/registration deadline for the class or program for which you are applying.

You will be notified within 7 business days of the status of your application.

How do I Apply?

- 1. Submit the Scholarship Application.
- 2. Attach supportive documentation.

Proof of Residency (copy of 1 of the following)

- State of Connecticut Operators License
- City of Milford Real Estate Tax Bill

Proof of Income (copy of 1 of the following)

- Income Tax return from most recent year
- 3. Submit the Program Registration Form. <u>Placement in your program of interest is contingent upon space availability at the time of registration and not based upon scholarship award.</u>
- 4. Fax, Mail, Email, or drop off all information to: Paul Piscitelli, CPRP

Director of Recreation

Milford Recreation Department

Parsons Complex-70 West River Street

Milford, CT 06460-3317 ppiscitelli@ci.milford.ct.us

Fax: 203.783.3284

Who will be reviewing my application?

The Director of Recreation or their designee is the only person who will review your application. All information is handled confidentially.

Do I need to reapply for a scholarship each year?

Yes. The need for financial assistance is assessed on an annual basis.

How are funds made available for the Scholarship Fund?

The scholarship fund is supported through business and individual contributions. Scholarships are issued on a first-come, first-serve basis based on availability of the funds.

How does someone donate to the Scholarship Fund?

Make the check payable to and mail to; Milford Recreation Department, Parsons Complex, 70 West River Street, Milford, CT 06460-3317. (Please put SCHOLARSHIP in the memo)

May I do anything in return for this financial assistance?

The Recreation Department encourages both youth and adults to volunteer. Also, our donors appreciate knowing how their contributions were used. Submitting a short note about how you or your family benefited from the scholarship program is appreciated. It is not a requirement and will not effect your consideration or approval.

Attendance Compliance

Do to limited funding, we ask that if you are unable to attend for any reason you let us know immediately so funding may be made available to others. Failure to notify us will jeopardize your future eligibility for scholarship funds.



City of Milford Recreation Department Scholarship Application



Please read the scholarship guidelines prior to completing this application. Complete one application per child.

Applications must be submitted at 14 days in advance of the program start date.

Please complete the appropriate program register form to secure your child's spot in your program of interest.

Applicant's Name:		I	Relationship to Child:					
Home Address:								
Home Phone:	Cell Phone	2:	Email:					
Child's Name:				Child's Date of Birth:				
Address (if different from	ı above):							
Yearly Gross Income:	Number in	Household:	Have you use	ed this program before ?				
\$				Yes No				
true and complete to the of proof of residency an any willful misstatement. I agree to pay any outs I acknowledge that schooscholarship is dependent.	e best of my knowledge. It d income verification rela t of material fact will be g standing balance I have plarships are awarded on nt on funding and therefo	on given will be kept confidence of the disclosure of the disclosu	e of such inform financial assist in. oney has been basis and that ta ailable at the tir	ation for the purposes ance. I understand that applied. the availabilty of any ne of my application.				
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my future eligibility for		ch your Proof of Reside	ncy and Proof	of Income				
Applicant's Signature:		Date:						
Official Use:		-	•					
Date Received:	Approved By:	Denied By:	Date:	Calendar Year:				
Proof of Residency:	Income Verification:	Scholarship Av	Award: Does Not Qualify:					
Notes / Payment Plans:								

Milford Recreation Department Scholarship Scale

	75 %			50%			25%						
Family	Scholarship				Scholarship			Scholarship					
Size	Yearly Gross Income		Yearly Gross Income			Yearly Gross Income							
1	< or =	\$	14,484.00	\$	14,485.00	to	\$	19,058.00	\$	19,059.00	to	\$	21,780.00
2	< or =	\$	19,564.00	\$	19,565.00	to	\$	25,743.00	\$	25,744.00	to	\$	29,420.00
3	< or =	\$	24,645.00	\$	24,646.00	to	\$	32,428.00	\$	32,429.00	to	\$	37,060.00
4	< or =	\$	29,726.00	\$	29,727.00	to	\$	39,113.00	\$	39,114.00	to	\$	44,700.00
5	< or =	\$	34,806.00	\$	34,807.00	to	\$	45,798.00	\$	45,799.00	to	\$	52,340.00
6	< or =	\$	39,887.00	\$	39,888.00	to	\$	52,483.00	\$	52,484.00	to	\$	59,980.00
7	< or =	\$	44,967.00	\$	44,968.00	to	\$	59,168.00	\$	59,169.00	to	\$	67,620.00
8	< or =	\$	50,048.00	\$	50,049.00	to	\$	65,853.00	\$	65,854.00	to	\$	75,260.00
			133% FPL					175% FPL					200% FPL

Income Levels are based on 2011 HHS Poverty Guidelines