

Special FUNd Grant

Hudson Valley Leisure Services Association has decided to change the Special Fund Grant to be more inclusive and give greater opportunity to departments and organizations to take advantage of the grant. As professionals we are all aware of the limited resources that are available and in many instances there aren't funds available to attempt new program ideas, special events or activities and in some cases long running successful endeavors have lost their funding sources. The HVLSA feels that this runs contrary to the whole idea of the recreation field and the Special Fund Grant is a great solution to this problem.

We know that obtaining financial resources for new ideas can be difficult especially where there is question if it will be "successful." The Special FUNd grant is designed to help take the financial risk out of starting a new program, activity or event by infusing the capital needed to start you off. The funds can be utilized to pay for instructors, supplies, equipment, program space, program advertising or any direct program cost.

The only thing worse than not having the financial resources for new ideas is when resources are taken away from long standing successful programs. The Special FUNd Grant may be applied to be used to help an organization or department keep an old program, event or activity alive.

The Special FUNd Grant will be awarded based on merit and thoroughness of the plan provided. This means that ideas and programs designed to serve smaller groups will not be overlooked just because of size.

Any HVLSA member in good standing may apply for the Special FUNd Grant to benefit their community/organization. We encourage all members in good standing to apply. One \$500 grant will be given per year. Deadline for application is May 1, 2019.

Special Fund Grant Guidelines

- One (1) \$500.00 will be awarded per HVLSA calendar year (June to May)
- ONLY HVLSA members in Good Standing are eligible. (Current paid member for a minimum of one year prior to and continuing this year)
- Special Fund Grants may be used for programs/events that meet the following criteria:
 - A new program/event/activity offered to the public, or a specific group within the public, that currently has no funding or lacks the necessary funding from the department/organization.
 - A previously offered program/event/activity offered to the public, or a specific group within the public, that is no longer funded or is under funded by the department/organization.
- Following the conclusion of the program/event, an article complete with photographs and photo consent must be submitted for our News Magazine and or other publications.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Name/Address of agency: _____

Name of Program/Event: _____

New program/event: _____ Date(s) of Program/Event: _____

Location of program/event: _____

Goal/Mission of the program/event: _____

Population Served: _____

Expected Number of Participants: _____

Total Program Cost (Actual/Anticipated): _____

How will Special Fund Grant be utilized: _____

Description of the program/event: _____

USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY
Send your submission to: HVLSA PO Box 54 New City NY 10956