



Spokane Foxes Pumas FC 2017/18 Financial Assistance Application Form

Introduction:

This document outlines the application parameters for the Spokane Foxes Pumas Football Club's (SFPFC) Financial Assistance Program for the 2017/18 season. SFPFC strives to provide players of all economic backgrounds an opportunity to play soccer at the highest level. There is, however, a limited pool of funds from which to grant Financial assistance. The amount of assistance depends on the number of qualifying applicants. Every qualifying applicant will receive some assistance. Assistance will vary, but typically will not exceed 50% of player club fees.

Once awards amounts have been determined (approximately one month following completion of tryouts) the award amount will be divided by the number of months left on the player's financial agreement to determine a monthly assistance amount. The amount of the assistance will be applied monthly to the player's account to lower the player's monthly financial obligation.

Players receiving financial assistance must be signed up for the auto payment plan in Bonzi using a valid credit/debit card or they can use their financial institute's on line bill pay system. Payment must be made monthly to avoid the late fee and to be considered in good standing. Any account that falls behind may forfeit additional financial assistance.

Players will be notified of the amount of their monthly assistance and what the monthly financial obligation will be. Financial assistance does not cover the uniform or team fees. Uniform and team fees are the responsibility of each family. For those applying for Financial assistance, the committee requires the initial payment due at registration upon accepting a roster spot; for Club Development players the amount is \$75, for U10 and above players the amount is \$150.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for Financial assistance, the player must meet the following criteria:

1. Must make the initial payment due (see above)
2. Must qualify for the Federal School Lunch program. Link to USDA household income guidelines for the current year or see last page:
<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/04/10/2017-07043/child-nutrition-programs-income-eligibility-guidelines>
3. Must be in good standing with SFPFC - no past dues owed to the club

How to Apply for Financial Assistance:

The "SFPFC Financial Assistance Application" serves as the only official application for SFPFC Financial Assistance. To be considered for aid:

1. Complete the SFPFC Financial Assistance Application --- if there is more than one player in a family applying for Financial assistance please fill out applications for each



2. Prepare all supporting documentation:
 - a) Copy of Federal School Lunch acceptance notice
 - b) Signed copies of parents' or guardians' 2016-year Federal Tax Return
 - c) If the 2016 Federal Tax Return not yet completed, then 2016 W-2's are required
3. Applications must be postmarked to the SFPFC office (address below) no later than June 1st.
4. Applications must be complete at the time of submittal for consideration. Out of fairness to all applicants, applications submitted without the requisite supporting documents or that are unsigned will not be considered.
5. Applications will not be considered unless the player is registered and the initial payment is paid in full. Please mail completed application & document(s) to:

Spokane Foxes Pumas FC
Financial Assistance
PO Box 11652
Spokane, WA 99211

Spokane Foxes Pumas FC Financial Assistance fund was established to help players and their families who need assistance meeting the financial commitment to play soccer at Spokane Foxes Pumas FC.

All information provided to Spokane Foxes Pumas FC is kept in strict confidence. The committee requires each applicant to complete the SFPFC Financial Assistance Application Form, and provide a copy of the following:

- Ø Any document from the school district that verifies that you qualify for free or reduced lunch.
- Ø Signed copies of your 2016 Federal Tax Return. If you have not yet completed your 2016 return, copies of all W-2's are required.
- Ø If necessary, any additional documentation or letter of explanation of any unusual circumstances that you want the committee to consider.



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- 1) Player Name: _____
- 2) Coach/Team name: _____
- 3) Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____
- 4) Parent/Guardian Email(s): _____
- 5) Parent/Guardian Phone Number(s): _____
- 6) Annual Income*: _____
- 7) Total number in household including adults**: _____
- 8) Does player qualify for Federal School Lunch program? Yes or No
- 9) Has applicant or family member ever received dues assistance from SFPFC? Yes or No
- 10) Are there other members of the family in our Club? Yes or No
- 11) If yes, please provide Name(s) & Team(s): _____
- 12) Please explain your situation: _____

My child does not qualify for free/reduced lunch, but we still require financial assistance due to special circumstances, please explain: _____

*Annual income defined as total income per line 22 on IRS Form 1040 ending the prior year tax return.

**Household size defined as total number exemptions per line 6 on IRS form 1040 for the year tax return.

***Player must be claimed on tax return or please explain.

To the best of my knowledge, I declare the information contained in this document to be true. If awarded SFPFC Financial Assistance, I agree to participate in all club fundraising events, and work with the club volunteer coordinator or designated individual to complete the 6 additional hours of service to the club for my family receiving assistance. I understand this is in addition to the 6 hours of service per family, required of all SFPFC members. I understand that if I do not complete the required volunteer hours, I may be ineligible for Financial Assistance in the subsequent season.



I understand if I do not meet the terms and conditions of the SFPFC Financial Assistance Program, and/or not making the scheduled payments may result in the revocation of my player's "Player Card." In addition, I understand that the player may only be allowed to train and play when the player's commitments are met, and/or the player account is considered in good standing.

I understand that the Financial Assistance Committee reserves the right to make awards based on special circumstances outside of the parameters outlined of the Financial Assistance application.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

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Date

Have you attached the following documents to your application?

- Any document from the school district that can verify that you qualify for free or reduced lunch program
- Signed copy of your 2016 Federal Tax Return. If you have not yet completed your 2016 return, copies of all W-2's are acceptable.
- Any additional document or letter of explanation if you feel there are unusual circumstances that should be considered by the committee.
- Please mail completed application & document(s) to:

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Notification:

1. All applications will be reviewed by the "Financial Assistance" sub-committee of the SFPFC Board of Directors.
2. Notification of awards will be made via e-mail supplied on the application.
3. Please keep a copy of your aid form for your records.
4. The SFPFC Financial Assistance Application and personal information provided will remain confidential and reviewed only by members of the sub-committee.

Please remove Social Security Numbers from your personal information

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES											
Effective from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018											
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES	REDUCED PRICE MEALS - 185 %					FREE MEALS - 130 %				
	ANNUAL	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY
48 CONTIGUOUS STATES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, GUAM, AND TERRITORIES											
1	12,060	22,311	1,860	930	859	430	15,678	1,307	654	603	302
2	16,240	30,044	2,504	1,252	1,156	578	21,112	1,760	880	812	406
3	20,420	37,777	3,149	1,575	1,453	727	26,546	2,213	1,107	1,021	511
4	24,600	45,510	3,793	1,897	1,751	876	31,980	2,665	1,333	1,230	615
5	28,780	53,243	4,437	2,219	2,048	1,024	37,414	3,118	1,559	1,439	720
6	32,960	60,976	5,082	2,541	2,346	1,173	42,848	3,571	1,786	1,648	824
7	37,140	68,709	5,726	2,863	2,643	1,322	48,282	4,024	2,012	1,857	929
8	41,320	76,442	6,371	3,186	2,941	1,471	53,716	4,477	2,239	2,066	1,033
For each add'l family member, add	4,180	7,733	645	323	298	149	5,434	453	227	209	105
ALASKA											
1	15,060	27,861	2,322	1,161	1,072	536	19,578	1,632	816	753	377
2	20,290	37,537	3,129	1,565	1,444	722	26,377	2,199	1,100	1,015	508
3	25,520	47,212	3,935	1,968	1,816	908	33,176	2,765	1,383	1,276	638
4	30,750	56,888	4,741	2,371	2,188	1,094	39,975	3,332	1,666	1,538	769
5	35,980	66,563	5,547	2,774	2,561	1,281	46,774	3,898	1,949	1,799	900
6	41,210	76,239	6,354	3,177	2,933	1,467	53,573	4,465	2,233	2,061	1,031
7	46,440	85,914	7,160	3,580	3,305	1,653	60,372	5,031	2,516	2,322	1,161
8	51,670	95,590	7,966	3,983	3,677	1,839	67,171	5,598	2,799	2,584	1,292
For each add'l family member, add	5,230	9,676	807	404	373	187	6,799	567	284	262	131
HAWAII											
1	13,860	25,641	2,137	1,069	987	494	18,018	1,502	751	693	347
2	18,670	34,540	2,879	1,440	1,329	665	24,271	2,023	1,012	934	467
3	23,480	43,438	3,620	1,810	1,671	836	30,524	2,544	1,272	1,174	587
4	28,290	52,337	4,362	2,181	2,013	1,007	36,777	3,065	1,533	1,415	708
5	33,100	61,235	5,103	2,552	2,356	1,178	43,030	3,586	1,793	1,655	828
6	37,910	70,134	5,845	2,923	2,698	1,349	49,283	4,107	2,054	1,896	948
7	42,720	79,032	6,586	3,293	3,040	1,520	55,536	4,628	2,314	2,136	1,068
8	47,530	87,931	7,328	3,664	3,382	1,691	61,789	5,150	2,575	2,377	1,189
For each add'l family member, add	4,810	8,899	742	371	343	172	6,253	522	261	241	121