

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

The goal of the South Portland Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Youth Scholarship Fund is to create opportunities for youth in South Portland to participate in as many community recreation programs as possible. Scholarship opportunities are intended to assist South Portland youth that meet household income guidelines and would not otherwise be able to pay program fees. Scholarship amounts are limited and subject to available funds.

The following limits apply to all scholarship applications:

Applicants:

- Must be a resident of South Portland
- Must be 18 years old or younger

Scholarships are available for: Sopo Kids Club Program, youth sports & enrichment programs, events, camps, clinics, activities, swim lesson and punch passes.

All financial information required by this application will remain confidential. Please mail, deliver or email application and supporting documents to the following addresses:

Email:

- For Before & After Care or Summer Rec Camp Scholarships Kari Filieo, kfilieo@southportland.org
 - For all other youth programs Anthony Johnson, ajohnson@southportland.org

or

Mailing Address:

South Portland Community Center, 21 Nelson Rd, South Portland ME 04106

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide, maintain and develop recreational facilities, open space and leisure opportunities that will enhance the overall well being of the citizens in the community.

Inclusivity Statement

The mission is to provide well-balanced, safe, accessible, and affordable recreational and leisure opportunities to the community. The City of South Portland Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Department will provide the least restrictive environment in which an individual can function within a recreation setting, develop a climate of acceptance through community awareness and support in order to eliminate attitudinal barriers and stimulate the greatest amount of enjoyment and participation in a general recreation setting.

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application MUST be accompanied by the following documentation or it will not be processed:

•	Explanation of circumstances and /or reasons for requesting scholarship (please attach letter if needed):	& Waterfront

- A copy of any award for financial assistance programs your household may currently be participating in (i.e. General Assistance, Unemployment, TANF, food stamps)
- Each adults most recent State or Federal Income Tax Return.

Important Information Regarding Applications:

- Paperwork must be received at least <u>two weeks</u> prior to program start date.
- Summer Rec Camp applications are due by March 31, 2025
- Application MUST BE completed in full, including program name, start dates, participant date of birth, etc.
- The Recreation Department will contact the applicant with questions and decisions about the application.
- Scholarship applications will not be processed if the scholarship fund is depleted.
- Scholarships will be awarded on the current US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) income guidelines.

Application Deadlines

- All paperwork must be received 2 weeks prior to program start date.
- Applications for 2025 Summer Rec
 Camp are due by March 31, 2025

PARENT/GUARDIAN

Must list each adult living in the household and provide requested information. Failure to include all information may result in your application being denied.

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Parent/Guardian Name:			Date of birth:		
Home Phone:					
Parent/Guardian Name:			Date of birth:		
City/State/Zip:					
		Hourly Rate/Weekly Net Pay:			
	Family Race – Indicate	by plac	cing an "X" in the appropriate box		
White			American Indian/Alaskan Native & White		
Black/African A	merican		Asian & White		
Asian			Black/African American & White		
	n/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American		
Native Hawaiia	n/ Other Pacific Islander		Other		
Family Make-up: Ente female head of househ		r sever	rely disabled family members and indicate with an "X" if a		
	•	:	Female Head of Household? Yes No		
Are you Hispanic/ Latir	no: Yes No				

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CONTINUED



CHILD #1					
Child Name:					
Gender (please circle) Male Female Non-Binary					
Allergies/Medical Concerns:					
Program Name:					
	T-shirt size (if applicable):				
	HILD #2				
Child Name:					
Gender (please circle) Male Female Non-Binary	_ School Attending:				
Allergies/Medical Concerns:					
Program Name:	Program Dates:				
Program Fee:	T-shirt size (if applicable):				
C	HILD #3				
Child Name:	Date of birth: Current Grade:				
Gender (please circle) Male Female Non-Binary	_ School Attending:				
Allergies/Medical Concerns:					
Program Name:					
Program Fee:					
I understand that the City of South Portland Parks, Recreation and Waterfront is relying on this information to prove my household's eligibility for assistance programs. I certify that all information and answers to the questions are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I consent to release the necessary information to determine my eligibility. I understand that providing false information or making false statements may be grounds for denial of my application. I also understand that such action may result in criminal penalties. Signature of Head of Household Date					
For Office Use Only					
Scholarship Approved	Scholarship Denied				
Date:	Date:				
Amount or Percentage awarded:	Reason for Denial:				
Scholarship Fund:					
Authorized By:	Authorized By:				