# PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
# STAFF REPORT

Subject: 2025 Youth Sports Funding Program

Date: December 3, 2024

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## RECOMMENDATION

Review and approve the 2025 Youth Sports Funding allocation, timeline, and application material for award.

## BACKGROUND

The Town of Mammoth Lakes annually awards funds to supplement organized, non-profit, and self-sustaining youth sports programs that may be in need of additional funding to *provide enhanced programming or to foster greater participation from low-income residents.*

The sum of $45,000 is identified in the FY2024/25 Parks and Recreation Budget for allocation to the 2025 Youth Sports Funding Program. This amount includes $35,000 from the Town of Mammoth Lakes and $10,000 from Mono County. Town staff would like to recognize and acknowledge the Board of Supervisors for their continuing support of youth sporting programs within Mono County.

## ANALYSIS/DISCUSSION

In January 2024, a total of $61,500 was initially requested by local youth sports organizations, with $45,000 available for appropriation. On February 6, 2024, the Parks and Recreation Commission made a recommendation that the youth sports organizations be funded at the following levels (see Table 1). On February 21, Town Council approved these recommendations.

**Table 1:**

| 2024 Youth Sports Funding Recommendations | | | | |
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| **$45,000 Funding Level** | | | | |
| **Organization** | **2024 Recommendations** | **2024 Request** | **2023 Award** | **2023 Participants** |
| **Tier One - Youth Sports Organizations that use Town facilities and pay <$1/year** | | | | |
| AYSO - Mammoth Lakes Region 316 | $ 13,680.00 | $ 15,000.00 | $ 11,290.00 | 456 |
| Mammoth Track Club | $ 1,320.00 | $ 2,000.00 | $ 1,231.00 | 36 |
| Mono County Little League | $ 7,680.00 | $ 10,000.00 | $ 7,167.00 | 180 |
| Mammoth Lakes Futbol Club | $ 1,500.00 | $ 5,000.00 | $ - | 16 |
| **Tier Two - Youth Sports Organizations that have facility fees OR staff costs** | | | | |
| Eastern Sierra Nordic Ski Association | $ 4,810.00 | $ 6,000.00 | $ 4,622.00 | 130 |
| Mammoth Lakes Youth Hockey | $ 4,555.00 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 3,930.00 | 124 |
| Mammoth Club Volleyball | $ 3,000.00 | $ 3,500.00 | $ 2,760.00 | 82 |
| **Tier Three - Youth Sports Organizations that have facility fees AND staff costs** | | | | |
| Mammoth Lakes Swim Team | $ 6,655.00 | $ 10,000.00 | $ 5,500.00 | 121 |
| **Tier Four - A non-profit organization that provides valuable community youth programming** | | | | |
| Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra | $ 1,800.00 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 1,500.00 | 24 |
| MUSD Husky Club | $ - | $ - | $ 7,000.00 | 0 |
| **TOTAL** | **$ 45,000.00** | **$ 61,500.00** | **$ 45,000.00** | **1,169** |

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff is requesting that the Parks and Recreation Commission take the following action:

1. Allocate the full $45,000 to youth sports programs in 2025.

2. Review and approve the 2025 Youth Sports Funding timeline.

| Date | Action |
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| **Monday, January 6, 2025** | Application period opens at 9:00am |
| **Friday, January 24, 2025** | Application period closes at 5:00pm |
| **Tuesday, February 4, 2025** | Parks and Recreation Commission funding recommendations |
| **Wednesday, February 19, 2025** | Funding recommendations presented to Town Council for consideration and approval by consent |

3. Approve the 2025 Youth Sports Funding application material.

**Attachment:**

**A.** 2025 Youth Sports Funding Application*