

	City of Maricopa PARKS & RECREATION POLICY	Effective Date: 11/06/18
		Policy Number: PRL 14-05.01
		Prior Revision Date: 7/23/14
Scholarship Program Guidelines		

Purpose

The Community Services Department has revised its scholarship guidelines for use in effectively determining the financial need of applicants in order to utilize the Community Services Department resources responsibly.

Scope

This policy covers recreation youth sports and youth enrichment programs offered by the City of Maricopa as well as individual or family memberships at Copper Sky Multigenerational and Aquatics Center.

Policy

Participation in the City of Maricopa recreational programs is available at a reduced rate for eligible individuals, youth and families through the following established procedures:

Procedure

Partnership Parameters

To become an approved scholarship recipient, the applicant (or a parent or legal guardian for youth submissions) must complete the scholarship application and provide the last two pay stubs or tax documentation from all working members of the household.

The approval process of the scholarship will be based on the federal poverty scale. All scholarships must be renewed annually and are only valid through the City of Maricopa's fiscal year. Scholarships may only be applied to annual memberships at Copper Sky, youth sports, and youth enrichment programs.

Scholarship Applicant Requirements

Scholarship approved applicants will be required to follow the following the Community Services Department protocols and procedures:

1. Applicants must be City of Maricopa residents.
2. All youth scholarship applications (youth 17 and under) must be filled out by a parent or legal guardian of the applicant.
3. The City will provide one program per child per seasonal recreation brochure at a discount of 30% with a maximum discount of \$50 per program.
4. The City will provide a Copper Sky annual membership at a discount of 15% if the applicant is between 200% and 100% of poverty level. If the applicant is at or below poverty level, they will receive a 30% discount on the annual membership.
5. All scholarships are valid for one fiscal year. After the fiscal year is complete, the applicant must reapply for the City's scholarship program. The City's fiscal year is July 1 - June 30.

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6. Scholarships can only be applied to Copper Sky annual memberships or to youth sports programs or youth enrichment classes.
7. If an applicant fails to attend the program they are registered for, the applicant will not be eligible for the next season.
8. Scholarships are not available for:
 - Fitness classes, personal training, or private swim lessons
 - Rental fees at Copper Sky Multigenerational Center
 - Ramada rentals fees at all City of Maricopa's community parks

Violations

Any violations of outlined rules, policies or procedures are subject to discipline or termination of approved scholarship.

Responsibilities

All scholarship applicants will be expected to follow all City rules, regulations and policies.

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