

RESOLUTION NO. 3070-14

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF WINDSOR
ESTABLISHING A PARKS AND RECREATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department supports the Town of Windsor's mission to strengthen community image and sense of place through recreational experiences; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department fosters human development and increases cultural unity; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Windsor General Plan states that recreational opportunities should be provided to all residents, regardless of race, age, economic status, physical disability, or location of residence; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2011, the Windsor Town Council expressed support for the Windsor Wellness Partnership to become a chapter of the Sonoma County Health Action, with the goal of Sonoma County being the healthiest county in California by 2020; and

WHEREAS, recreational activities promote health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council and the Town Parks and Recreation Commission encourage the Parks and Recreation Department to offer all members of the community the opportunity to participate in, and experience, recreational activity for the overall health and wellness benefits they provide; and

WHEREAS, the average cost of recreation programs lies between \$50 to \$100, restricting participation by low income families; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation scholarship program is a financial assistance program designed to assist in providing recreational opportunities to families in need through community donations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Windsor hereby establishes a Parks and Recreation Scholarship Program Policy in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A".

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of March 2014, by the following vote:

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS ALLEN, FUDGE, GOBLE, SALMON AND
MAYOR OKREPKIE**

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE


BRUCE OKREPKIE, MAYOR

ATTEST:



**IRENE CAMACHO-WERBY,
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK**

Attachment:

Exhibit A: Scholarship Program Policy



Parks & Recreation Department
9291 Old Redwood Hwy, Bldg. 300D
Windsor, CA 95492
(707) 838-1260
www.townofwindsor.com/recreation

Exhibit A

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM POLICY

The Town of Windsor Scholarship program is a financial assistance program designed to assist in providing recreational opportunities to families through community donations. Scholarship recipients must be receiving specified public assistance to be considered for eligibility. All requests and approvals for program assistance are confidential.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Families must live within Windsor Town limits and/or Windsor Unified School District, and receive one or more of the following:

1. Participation in National School Lunch Program (NSLP) qualifying for free or reduced meals through school
2. AFDC: Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program
3. County Relief, General Relief (G.R.) or General Assistance
4. CalFresh (Formerly Food Stamps) (Golden State Advantage E.B.T. Card)
5. W.I.C. (Women, Infants and Children)

HOW TO APPLY:

Complete the attached application and bring it to the Parks and Recreation office during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday 7am to 6pm:

**9291 Old Redwood Hwy.
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PROGRAM PROCEDURES:

- Families are eligible to receive up to \$200 per scholarship year while funds last. The scholarship year will begin **April 1** and end on **March 31** each year.
- Families may only receive the amount of funds needed for registration for a specific class or program. Approved funds must be used toward the program or class at the time of approval. If the class or program fee is more than approved assistance, you will be required to pay the balance at the time of registration.
- In the event that the registrant misses more than half of the class or program for which scholarship dollars were awarded OR does not attend any of the classes in which you received scholarship funds without following the Town of Windsor Parks and Recreation Withdraw and Refund Policy, you will be ineligible for scholarship funds for the next calendar year.
- When turning in your application, you must submit all required documentation for proof of financial need and proof of residency.
- Once approved, families will not be required to complete a separate application each time seeking assistance within one scholarship year. A new application will be required each new scholarship year.

PROGRAMS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

- Town of Windsor Early Childhood Education Programs (Children's Circle, I Can Do It Myself, Montessori in Motion, Kinder Club or Creative Thinkers)
- Any programs designed solely for adults 18+