

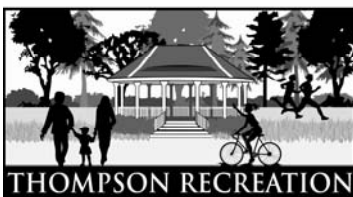
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Financial Assistance for Youth Guidelines and Application

- All requests will be kept confidential.
- Only Thompson residents are eligible for financial assistance.
- Income guidelines that will be used to determine scholarship eligibility are the Connecticut State Department of Education School income guidelines for determining eligibility for free and reduced meals.
- **Requests must be submitted to the Recreation Office at least 2 weeks before the start of the first program for which assistance is sought.**
- No request will be considered unless all required forms are complete and included or on file.
- Only one financial aid request form is necessary per year per child (July 1 - June 30).
- Each request will be reviewed by Recreation Director; any request deviating from this policy will also be reviewed, anonymously, by the Recreation Commission.
- Applicant may be granted a full or partial scholarship (financial assistance) of program registration fee based on eligibility for free and reduced meals. Financial assistance through this program is not available for the Purely Recreation Program or Adventure Day Camp. Care 4 Kids does provide financial assistance for both of these programs. For information on Care 4 Kids please call them directly at 1-888-214-5437. Camperships for Adventure Day Camp are also available through TEEG and they can be reached at 923-3458.
- No more than one (1) scholarship per class per ten (10) paying students will be granted. Where special needs exist, exceptions to this policy can be made by the program director, as long as budget considerations can be otherwise met.
- Once the registration period is closed for a program, all financial requests will be entered into a lottery and one child per ten paying students will be chosen. Parents will be notified by telephone either way.
- Each applicant may receive scholarships with a maximum total value of \$125 per fiscal year (July 1- June 30).
- Where appropriate, payment plans may also be available.
- Extenuating circumstances should be noted with the request.
- All approved scholarships must be in compliance with the Recreation Financial Assistance Guidelines and be on file in the Recreation Office, Town Hall.
- Approval of requests are subject to the availability of funds.
- All questions should be directed to the Director of Recreation.

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Financial Assistance Request Form

Requests must be received two weeks prior to the start date of the program.

Please submit one form per child. Please submit the following materials with this application:

1. This Financial Assistance Request Form (submit once annually each fiscal year: July 1 - June 30)
2. Proof that your child qualifies for free or reduced lunch (also submit once each fiscal year). Request a copy of the letter from the cafeteria and include it with this application or have them fax it to us.
3. Register on-line for the program you wish your child to attend. At the end of the registration process, select "Create a Registration Form." Print a copy of the form and send it along with this application.
4. For all subsequent requests, register on-line, print registration form, write "Financial Assistance" on the paper and return it to us.
5. If you wish to make any Notes/Comments/Extenuating circumstances (optional), please write in on the reverse side of this form.

Participant's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Parent Date of Birth (mandatory): _____

Street Address: _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mailing Address (if different from above) _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____
Date

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Free/Reduced Lunch Letter Received _____

Program	Date Rec'd	Reg. Form	Approved	Value	Denied	Date Notified
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Signature of Recreation Director _____
Date