



TAMPA PARKS AND RECREATION

Application for Financial Assistance

1. A parent or legal guardian of a child 17 years and younger, **with no outstanding balance**, can apply for a financial assistance.
2. **Financial assistance will only be awarded to City of Tampa residents with two current proofs of residency, proof of assistance program for each child attending camp, and legal proof of guardianship for each child via one of the following documents only: birth certificate, foster parent letter, or Power of Attorney. Notarized letters for guardianship are no longer accepted.**
3. Financial assistance are awarded on a first come, first serve basis - **no guarantees** are made or implied as to the number of financial assistance or amounts available.
4. Financial assistance applicants must satisfy all City of Tampa outstanding balances before their application will be considered.
5. The parent/guardian must complete a financial assistance application and provide one of the following required documents:
 - a. Free or reduced lunch form for each child from Hillsborough County School Board for the current school year.
 - b. A letter of verification for any state or federal assistance received for each child that includes the dates of eligibility. State assistance services are listed on: www.Myflorida.com/accessflorida/. Florida Kid Care is not an accepted form of assistance.
 - c. State documentation for foster children.
6. If you qualify for free lunch and/or any of the assistance programs listed above, each qualifying youth may receive up to 75% reduction in the price of traditional camps and 50% reduction in the price of specialty camps. If you qualify for reduced lunch, each qualifying youth may receive up to 50% reduction in the price of traditional camps and 25% reduction in the price of specialty camps.
7. **Applicants are responsible for paying any remaining balance prior to the start of the program and for purchasing a recreation card that will be valid for the duration of the program for each child attending.**
8. Once a financial assistance determination is made, the applicant will receive an email or mailed letter from Department staff, advising them of the decision. Bring the email or letter to the Center when you are ready to register. The email notice will include:
 - a. Approval, reduction rate and when it expires OR Denial and reason
 - b. What the remaining fee will be required for the program or programs.
9. Approved financial assistance are not transferrable to other family members and refunds will not be issued if cancelled or withdrawn. The financial assistance have no cash value and can only be used for approved programs. Refunds will only be issued for the patron's portion of the fee, if the city cancels a program. Financial assistance funds will not be refunded or credited to the recipient.
10. The financial assistance will be limited to \$100 per child per year with a \$500 limit per household per year. Financial assistance funds may be used for any approved program by the qualifying participant.
11. Financial assistance are for Tampa Parks & Recreation approved classes and camps only and may not be applied to some programs and services including: recreation cards, field trips, facility rentals, required equipment, material fees, late fees, programs offered by contracted instructors and team registrations for leagues.
12. An approved financial assistance application does not guarantee registration into a specific program. All participants must enroll through the registration process as outlined in the Priority Registration Policy. This policy can be found at <http://bit.ly/TPApolicy>.
13. The City of Tampa reserves the right to revoke any financial assistance awards at any time due to any reason including inappropriate behavior. If a participant is suspended or dismissed there are no refunds for fees paid by parent/guardian and the financial assistance will be revoked and forfeited.
14. Due to the popularity and limited space in our programs, all financial assistance recipients are expected to be in attendance every day. Participants are required to follow the attendance policy and attend a minimum of three days per week in order to remain in the program.
15. Financial assistance applications can be found at our recreation facilities and online at: tampagov.net/Summercamp.
16. Completed applications may be submitted in person at any City recreation facility or mailed to:

Tampa Parks & Recreation
Financial Assistance Program
3402 W. Columbus Dr.
Tampa, FL 33607



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PARENT/GUARDIAN LAST NAME	PARENT/GUARDIAN FIRST NAME	BIRTHDATE	GENDER M F	POA? Y N
STREET ADDRESS (2 Proofs of Address Required) <i>Must Reside in Tampa City Limits</i>		CITY Tampa	ZIP	
HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS (<i>please print legibly</i>)		

This is not a registration form and does not guarantee a space in any program.

Registration is on a first come, first serve basis for all camps.

CHILD'S NAME ATTENDING CAMP <i>Please list ONLY members of your household applying for financial assistance.</i>	BIRTHDATE	GENDER M F	CIRCLE CAMP TYPE REC Specialty	PREFERRED CAMP NAME & SITE
		M F	REC Specialty	
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Applicant must provide legal proof of guardianship via birth certificate, foster parent letter, or Power of Attorney only.

ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY) <i>Florida Kid Care is NOT an accepted form of assistance</i>			
FREE/REDUCED SCHOOL LUNCHES		TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)	
WIC (Women, Infants & Children)		FOSTER CARE	
Medicaid/Medicare		SSI/SSDI (Supplemental Security Income/SS Disability Income)	
SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)		FL DCF QUALIFYING LETTER	
TCA (Temporary Cash Assistance)		OTHER (Attach letter with documentation to be considered)	

Applicant must provide at least one proof of eligibility for the assistance programs listed above.

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- For ALL summer camps, financial assistance will only cover the approved percentage, as listed above, for the **base** fee of the camp and does not cover any portion of Rec Cards, field trips, materials, or t-shirts.

I certify that all the information on this application is true and correct, and that I have provided proof of identity, City of Tampa residency, and verification of assistance programs, if applicable. I understand that any incomplete or misleading applications will be rejected or may be revoked.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

2019 Summer Camp Registration Dates

SPECIALTY CAMPS - Residents Online Only: February 25 at 6 pm; Residents in person & online: February 26 at 6 pm – Open until filled
 REC/TRADITIONAL CAMPS – Current After School Participants Only: March 11 to 23 – online & in person (during normal hours)
 REC/TRADITIONAL CAMPS - Residents: March 25 at 6pm – Online only; March 26 at 6pm – in person & online until filled