



## **New York State West Youth Soccer Association Member Grant Process Information**

The Board of Directors has made available funds for member clubs and leagues to apply for grants to assist with improvement of the game of soccer in western New York. Maximum grant request is \$1,000.00. Grants will be awarded on a basis of competitive review and fit with the following goals.

### **NYSW wishes to forward the following goals with this program:**

- Increase club membership through member retention and or new member acquisition.
- Improve the conditions for play in communities of member clubs.
- Strengthen club leadership through volunteer training or education
- Support club administration through improved technology use.
- Improve parent understanding of the game and behavior through education and other innovative ideas.

### **NYSW generally does not make grants from unrestricted funds for the following:**

- Annual campaigns, special event fundraisers or sponsorships
- Religious purposes
- Political or partisan purposes
- Activities taking place before grant decisions are made
- Deficit funding or debt retirement
- Individuals (except through scholarships to allow access for players)
- Funds will not be given to hire professional coaches or trainers.
- Funds cannot be used to purchase alcohol at an event.
- Funds will not be approved to waive fees for NYSW coaching courses.

### **To be eligible for consideration the following criteria apply:**

1. Club or league must be in good standing
2. Only complete applications will be reviewed
3. All application materials must be postmarked no later than February 28th
4. A member of the club must have attended the NYSWYSA AGM in November

### **Application Materials**

A complete application will consist of the following:

- A completed cover sheet
- A statement describing the need or problem you are trying to address.
- A description of how the funds requested will be used to address the problem.
- What measurement you propose to evaluate the effectiveness of the solution or use of the funds.

A committee appointed by the President will review the application and make funding decisions by March 15th.

Things to keep in mind:

Concise, typed applications are appreciated. Limit enclosed statements and supporting materials to a maximum of 8 pages.

**Where to send your application:** [grants@nyswysa.org](mailto:grants@nyswysa.org)

**Questions:** Contact [Grants@nyswysa.org](mailto:Grants@nyswysa.org)