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Youth Sports Funding Program Application - Submission #95

Date Submitted: 3/23/2018

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name of Organization*

Eastern Sierra Nordic Ski Association

Amount of funding requested*

3000.00

Tax ID Number*

65-129188

If you do not have a Tax ID number, has one been requested?

Yes

No

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State*

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Zip*

93546

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Purpose of organization*

Eastern Sierra Nordic Ski Association is committed to building a stronger community through cross country skiing. We support local skiers by providing: financial assistance for equipment rentals, financial scholarships for travel and participation fees, training and race wax, uniforms, tools, coaching. Currently there are approximately 145 youth skiers participating in Gliders (after school cross country ski program), Avalanche (weekend youth ski sessions), Mammoth Middle School Team, Mammoth High School Team, and Mammoth youth Competition Team. ESNESA's purpose is to provide an opportunity for local youth of all abilities to experience cross country skiing and enjoy the outdoors in which we live

FUNDING INFORMATION**Amount of funding request***

3000.00

Budget Information Worksheet*

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Please fill out and upload the provided budget information worksheet.

[Youth Sports Funding Budget Information Worksheet](#)[Budget Information Worksheet](#)**Please describe how the funds received in 2017 were spent:***

In 2017 we were awarded \$2600. The funds were used to provide athlete scholarships for youths who would otherwise not be able to afford Nordic programs, including summer, fall and winter training programs (\$800), purchase of roller skis for dryland training (\$600) and waxing bench and easy-up in support of the winter race season (\$1200).

Please describe how the requested funding for 2018 will be used:*

2015 funds were focused on rejuvenating the Nordic program amongst middle-school aged skiers by offering scholarships for participation dues. This introduced and ultimately retained several athletes to what will likely be a life-long love of the sport. In 2016 funds were more focused on equipment and sponsorship to support a larger-than-normal group of high-school aged athletes as they pursued their goals of training for and attending Junior Nationals. In 2017 we want to support more our younger athletes, those of elementary and middle school age. Funding would support an expanded summer training program for these younger athletes, building on what we started in 2016. We purchased 3 more sets of roller skis for the summer dryland training program, as we continue to replace older and broken equipment with safer and newer gear. In 2017 we were able to purchase new team uniforms and send 3 Mammoth athletes to the Junior National Qualifiers. In 2018, we will continue to replace outdated/broken equipment and target the summer cross training program. There's never a shortage of ways we can add value to the program.

What other sources have you pursued to obtain funding?*

Usually, we run the Mammoth Biathlon at Panorama Dome, however, this year due to the lack of early snow we were forced to cancel the event, so we still have the funds available that were raised the previous year. This is traditionally is our biggest fund-raiser. With the help of several dozen volunteers we run an event which brings in skiers from all over the western United States and fulfills our organization's mission to grow biathlon and Nordic skiing as sports for local youths. We also partner with Tamarack Ski Center on Ski Races and raise funds by volunteering at local events such as the Mammoth Half-Marathon and the Fall Century ride. Finally, we are supported by philanthropic donations from individuals and organizations.

Please upload any documents that will assist in establishing the funding history of the organization:

Funding History Documents

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Do you have a Facility Use Agreement with the Town of Mammoth Lakes?*
 Yes No

Are any Town/County resources (e.g., parks, fields, or facilities) used by the organization?*
 Yes No

If yes, indicate the nature of the usage, the estimated number of participant hours, and any expenses incurred by your organization for the prep and maintenance of the facility used by your organization.

Yes, Shady Rest Park, Whitmore Track are used by the teams for dry land training. Hours per year varies, typically 4-5 hours per week in the summer/fall. We also use biathlon rifles and other equipment from the Measure R pool of equipment for our biathlon event.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Duration of the program's season (days per year):*

Approximately 225 a year for the comp team kids that train year-round. For those that only participate in the winter, the number could range from 30-60+ days

Number of registered youth participants in 2017:*

Average of 145 kids in all youth programs

Number of Mono County and Mammoth Lakes full-time residents (including Crowley Lake and other nearby areas):*

100%

Number of adult volunteer hours involved with the program (specific program set up, maintenance, etc. - provide details):*

Parents, ESNSA board members, coaches, community members and athletes all work together to volunteer for various races, e.g., High & Middle School races, Mammoth Biathlon, Tannenbaum Classic and other community cross country ski races. We help with registration, social media and communications, making posters and banners for events, race sign-ups, event setup, timing, course marshaling, course setup and break down. Many also help with the Mammoth ½ Marathon, in which the junior cross country ski teams worked an aid station. Our volunteers also help with friends of Inyo trail days (clearing debris and rebuilding hiking trails). Volunteers assist our youth teams on town cleanup days. We also help staff an aid station for the Fall Century Ride. We were particularly gratified this year to see our high school-aged Nordic athletes start up an after-school training program for the Elementary school-aged "super Gliders" and also volunteering in for our Mammoth Biathlon. With the many activities and so many individual volunteers it is difficult to state a hard number, but we estimate the total to be in the order of 1000+ volunteer hours

What type of measures or procedures do you take to promote good sportsmanship among the players, coaches, and parents? Are there policies in place to discourage abusive behavior and language towards participants, coaches, and officials?*

Nordic Skiing definitely promotes great sportsmanship amongst coaches, parents, and youth skiers. If you have been to a Nordic race, you know that parents, coaches, and fellow competitors, all cheer each other no matter what team they are representing. The best races are usually when a child does their personal best, which doesn't mean just first, second, or third place. If this means just finishing a race strong, then that young skier is successful. Cross country skiing is a difficult sport and everyone has an appreciation and respect for the effort it takes to successfully complete a race. You can feel the positive energy of the crowd. It is also a given part of the sport, from youth races to the Olympics, that if a racer has an equipment failure, e.g., broken pole, that a replacement will be offered by coaches or bystanders, regardless of affiliation. Many of these youth skiers become lifelong friends and keep in touch as they grow older. Some even return and volunteer or coach. This may be anecdotal, but there seems to be strong correlation between cross country skiers and strong academic achievement. It is an all-around positive influence on our local youth.

Outside of your program, what type of community programs or projects does your organization participate in?

Mammoth Biathlon, Town of Mammoth Lakes Clean-up Days, Mammoth ½ Marathon Aid Station, Mammoth Century Ride Aid Station, Mammoth Mountain Community Foundation Invitational, Friends of Inyo Trail Clean-up, Participate (Roller Ski) in 4th of July Parade

Eastern Sierra Nordic Ski Association
Profit & Loss
October 2016 through September 2017

	<u>Oct '16 - Sep 17</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Biathlon Donation	2,475.00
Biathlon Entry	4,171.10
Donations	4,418.69
Memberships	1,771.36
Team Training	4,521.00
Misc.	280.00
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Total Income	17,637.15
Expense	
Fall Training	2,523.70
Summer Training Program	2,132.63
Advertising and Promotion	360.00
Athlete Sponsorship	4,160.29
Bank Service Charges	92.39
Biathlon	1,831.88
Nordic Supplies/Equipment	71.00
Office Supplies	35.97
Uniforms	1,061.00
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Total Expense	12,268.86
Net Ordinary Income	<hr/> 5,368.29
Net Income	<hr/> <u>5,368.29</u>