



MUFC Hardship Policy

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Background

MUFC is committed to having the best teams and coaches and believes that all players should have the opportunity to develop to their highest potential. MUFC has limited funding from its portion of 50/50 gaming funds from Whitecaps home games and from annual budgeting to help players from families facing economic obstacles. Parents/guardians can apply for financial assistance, however the funding which MUFC has available to it is not expected to meet the needs of all players. MUFC will make decisions regarding hardship decisions in a fair and objective manner.

All applications will be treated confidentially. The names of applicants and of those receiving financial assistance will not be discussed publicly, published or posted on the MUFC website.

Assessment Criteria

Applicants (players or the parents/guardians) must provide written proof that they need financial support. At a minimum they must show they have been approved for funding for the current year by Kid Sports, or if the application has been denied by Kidsports then they must provide other satisfactory proof of financial need to the Hardship Review Committee.

MUFC may provide full, partial or no support, depending on the number of applicants, needs of families and availability of funds. Applications must state the amount of financial support being sought, and the amount the family can pay.

Process

Applications must be submitted in December.

Applications shall be made in writing to the MUFC General Manager, who will review them for completeness and then discuss them with the Hardship Review Committee. This Committee will be comprised of the General Manager and two Board members. The Committee may solicit information from the team coaches, team managers and other persons familiar with the family situation. The Committee shall allocate hardship support within the annual hardship budget limit set by the Board. The Committee's decisions shall be final.