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THPFC Financial Assistance Policy

Applies To: *All THPFC members, players, parents/guardians/caregivers, coaches, volunteers, Board and committee members, staff, contractors, and others participating in or acting on behalf of the Club. This policy applies to THPFC governance, operations, programs, activities, decisions, and the interpretation and enforcement of Club governing documents and applicable soccer regulations and legislation.*

Toronto High Park FC - Financial Assistance Policy

Toronto High Park FC understands that some low income families might not be able to afford soccer without a partial reduction in registration fees. The club allocates a certain amount annually in its budget for financial assistance, the source of these funds is the registration fees paid by everyone.

The club also accepts donations and sponsorships that are set aside for this purpose. Funds available for financial assistance are limited. The Club will only approve financial assistance if the funds set aside for the current season have not been depleted.

Eligibility for Financial Assistance:

- The person completing the application form must be at least 18 years of age or older, and be the player or guardian of the player.

Applicants and the player must also:

- Live in the City of Toronto.
- Have a before tax family income of less than Statistics Canada's Low-Income Cut-Off (LICO) shown in the chart that appears below (match your family size to your income – amount of reduction is indicated below that column).

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LICO TABLE	ANNUAL GROSS INCOME (Before Tax)			
FAMILY SIZE	LICO STANDARD	LICO PLUS 10%	LICO PLUS 30%	LICO PLUS 50%
1	$ 25,338.00	$ 27,871.80	$ 32,939.40	$ 38,007.00
2	$ 31,544.00	$ 34,698.40	$ 41,007.20	$ 47,316.00
3	$ 38,780.00	$ 42,658.00	$ 50,414.00	$ 58,170.00
4	$ 47,084.00	$ 51,792.40	$ 61,209.20	$ 70,626.00
5	$ 53,402.00	$ 58,742.20	$ 69,422.60	$ 80,103.00
6	$ 60,228.00	$ 66,250.80	$ 78,296.40	$ 90,342.00
7	$ 67,055.00	$ 73,760.50	$ 87,171.50	$ 100,582.50
FEE REDUCTION	75%	75%	50%	25%

https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1110019501

'Family' denotes all people who live in the same dwelling and are related to each other by blood, marriage, common-law or adoption.

Applicants will be notified in writing and/or by email/phone within 30 days as to the status of their eligibility

To guarantee registration in the program(s) requested, the balance of the registration fees after fee reduction must be received prior to the start of the program. Payment may be made by cash, cheque, VISA or Mastercard.

Financial assistance is available for all THPFC programs, but eligibility is limited to a maximum of registrations per individual (e.g. up to twice per week training and a game for development team members).

Additional Financial Assistance Options

Ontario Soccer Athlete Scholarship Program: THPFC will match up to 100% of an Ontario Soccer Athlete Scholarship Program award (currently set as a maximum of $2,500 per OPDL team) as a waiver against the cost of club program fees for the successful individual. For example, if a player receives $2,500 from Ontario Soccer, THPFC would waive up to $2,500 against the club program fee owed by that individual.

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Buckingham-Milligan Humanitarian Fund: Toronto High Park FC provides the humanitarian fund for players facing extreme economic barriers to participating in the great game of soccer. Named after long-time THPFC executives, William Buckingham and Grant Milligan, the fund will be used to help selected players offset the cost of registration, uniforms and equipment.

The goal of the Buckingham-Milligan Humanitarian Fund is financial inclusion, specifically, to alleviate to the greatest extent possible the financial hardship that prevents young athletes from participating in soccer.

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