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The Foot Centre Sporting Scholarship Policy and Guidelines

Introduction:

It is well recognised that talented sporting people make great personal and financial sacrifices in order to achieve greater levels of performance in their chosen sport. The Foot Centre is committed to assisting athletes in the Wangaratta, Benalla and Yarrawonga districts by providing financial support to two successful applicants, one female and one male. This scholarship endeavours to relieve some of the financial burdens incurred when participating in high-level sport.

Objectives:

To provide financial assistance to two sports people, 18 years and under in The Rural City of Wangaratta, Benalla Rural City Council and Moira Shires.

Eligibility:

1. be aged 18 years or under
2. be a permanent resident of The Rural City of Wangaratta Shire, The Benalla Rural City Council Shire or Moira Shire.
3. be registered with a recognised sporting organisation
4. have competed at a local, regional or national level of competition (details to be attached to this application)
5. have demonstrated through their sporting achievements and dedication that they have the potential to achieve at a higher level
6. lodge their application before the advertised closing date

Assessment criteria:

The determination of grants will be assessed by a panel comprising representatives from The Foot Centre, a parent of a sporting identity, a Wangaratta/Benalla/Yarrawonga community member, a local accountant.

The following criteria will be taken into consideration;

1. the applicant's local, regional and state ranking (if applicable)
2. the applicant's past and present achievements
3. the number of registered competitors in the sport at a national and international level
4. the number of participants in the sport at the local level

5. the applicant's commitment to maintain or improve ranking and/or performance
6. projected costs associated with the applicant's training and competition program for the next 12 months
7. potential for improvement
8. the applicant is considered to be a good advocate for The Foot Centre and their sport

Eligible expenditure items:

The Foot Centre grant may be used towards the following costs:

1. travel and accommodation costs associated with training or competition, which are not paid for by the sporting organisation, or any other organisation or agency
2. costs associated with the transport of equipment to competitions
3. performance/fitness testing
4. other expenses as agreed

Terms and Conditions:

Grants are provided on the understanding that the applicant:

1. will continue their sporting careers for the next 12 months at the current level of performance or higher
2. agree to spend or use the grant on legitimate training and competition expenses only
3. agree to report as required on expenditure of the grant, ranking, competition program and costs
4. make every effort to participate in major competitions
5. will advise the grant committee of any change in circumstances, which might affect eligibility for the continuation of the grant

Payment of Grant:

Payment of the grant will be in 2 payments by cheque each six months for the 12 month period commencing in April.

Closing date:

The closing date for applications is 15th March and applications can be posted to PO Box 1242 Wangaratta, Vic 3677 or hand delivered to 84 Rowan Street, Wangaratta on a Tuesday, Thursday or Friday during working hours.

Applicant Success:

The successful applicant will be advised by mid April and receive payment shortly after.

Privacy Disclaimer:

In accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act, the applicant must give consent for their personnel details to be submitted. If successful this information may be forwarded to the media.