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131 Cedar Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

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Financial Assistance for Parks and Recreation Programs

HOW TO APPLY

- 1.) Call the Department of Human Services (860-665-8590) to schedule an appointment.
- 2.) Complete the attached application and bring with you to your appointment.
- 3.) Bring the following items to your appointment:
 - a. Photo ID,
 - b. Four (4) most recent weeks of pay stubs for all income earners in the household,
 - c. If self-employed, please provide verification of income,
 - d. Alimony,
 - e. Child support,
 - f. Social Security Income / Social Security Disability,
 - g. Proof of Supplemental Income from State to include rent assistance (rental agreement), food (SNAP) subsidies, unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, cash assistance, etc.,
 - h. Any other outside source of income.

*** Please allow at least two weeks for processing after your appointment with Human Services. ***



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Financial Assistance for Parks and Recreation Programs Fact Sheet & Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How do I know if my family is eligible?

Eligibility is determined by Newington's Department of Human Services. Your household income and size are two of the factors used to determine eligibility. **Financial assistance is available for Newington residents only.**

How is eligibility determined?

You must make an appointment with the Department of Human Services, and bring with you a completed Application for Financial Assistance and copies of all required documentation (see 'How to Apply' for a list of required documentation).

When should I apply?

Applications for Financial Assistance are accepted year round at any time, but must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the start of the first program for which assistance is sought. We recommend applying as soon as possible as some programs have a limited amount of spaces available and we are not able to accept any registration after that capacity is reached. Before you can attend or reserve a space in any program or class, you must have a completed and approved application on file – we cannot 'hold' space in a program. It may take up to two weeks for review and processing after your appointment with Human Services. Once your application is reviewed and your eligibility level is determined, you would be able to register for any eligible and available programs.

How long is my eligibility valid?

Your eligibility, once determined, is valid for 6 months or until there is any change in your financial situation. If your financial situation changes during your eligibility period, you must schedule an appointment with Human Services for review.

Which Parks and Recreation programs are included?

You may be eligible for a free or reduced pool pass, payment plan and/or up to 30% off fees for select programs. Each family member is eligible for financial assistance for one program and/or pool pass per season.

- **Pool Passes:** Each eligible family may qualify for financial assistance for one individual or household pool pass.
- **Payment Plan:** Each eligible family may request a payment plan for any available Parks and Recreation program. Payment plans are arranged through the Parks and Recreation Department after a family's eligibility has been determined by the Department of Human Services. If a family has been approved for a payment plan, it is the family's responsibility to ensure that all payments are made according to the schedule determined by the Parks and Recreation Department. If a family fails to make payments in a timely fashion, future eligibility for financial assistance for Parks and Recreation programs will be jeopardized.
- **Programs:** Each eligible family member may qualify for up to 30% off one of the following programs per season:
 - Summer Playgrounds Program for Grades 1-7 (*Summer only*)
 - Counselor-In-Training (*Summer only*)
 - Playground Pals – Ages 5 & 6 (*Summer only*)
 - Summer Sunshine – Ages 3 & 4 (*Summer only*)
 - Summer Music (*Summer only*)
 - Group Swim Lessons – Youth and Adult (*Year round*)
 - Special Needs Swim Lessons (*Summer only*)
 - Little Swimmers (*Summer only*)
 - Jr. Lifeguarding (*Summer only*)
 - Youth Recreational Basketball Program (*Winter only*)
 - High School Recreational Basketball Program (*Winter only*)
 - Youth Art classes (*Year round*) (*does not include classes offered by Let's Gogh Art*)
 - Senior Fitness Clinics (*Year round*)

This listing is subject to change at any time. Newington Parks and Recreation Department has the ability to modify the list of applicable programs at any time, and is responsible for the final approval of programs eligible for financial assistance.

What about Care 4 Kids?

Care 4 Kids is a program sponsored by the State of Connecticut's Department of Social Services (also called DSS) which helps low to moderate income families in Connecticut pay for child care costs. Care 4 Kids may be able to provide financial assistance to eligible families with a working parent(s) who would like to send their child to our Summer Playgrounds Program. For more information and program requirements, please visit www.ctcare4kids.com.



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Application for Financial Assistance

131 Cedar St. Newington, CT 06111 Phone: 860-665-8666 Fax: 860-665-8739
www.NewingtonCT.gov

Date Received

FAMILY CONTACT INFORMATION

Primary Family Contact

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____
Street Address _____ Apt./Box # _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Please list all family members that are currently residing in the household including yourself.

First and Last Name	M/F	DOB	First and Last Name	M/F	DOB

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW

By signing this document, I hereby apply for financial assistance for programs or services offered by Newington Parks and Recreation I certify the accuracy of the information contained herein in accordance with all provisions of the law. I further consent that all information I have provided is true and accurate to my knowledge, and understand that I will be financially liable if it is determined that I obtained assistance under false pretenses of any kind. I agree to notify the appropriate town department in writing in the event of changes in said information; any changes affecting my eligibility status over the course of the year must be reported to the Town so that my eligibility for financial assistance may be reevaluated.

ADULT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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Household Income: _____ / month Approval valid for six months from: _____ to _____

Approved For: Payment Plan 30% (Pool Pass and/or Programs) 100% (Pool Pass only)

Authorized by: _____ Date: _____
(Human Services Department Staff)