



USA TRACK & FIELD FOUNDATION ELITE ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION

Grant Program Purpose – to support the pursuit of world-class performances by American post-collegian track & field athletes who have met minimum performance standards by contributing to compelling individual financial needs.

Application Eligibility:

For an application to be considered an athlete must:

- Be a USA citizen and eligible to represent the USA at all levels of international competition
- Be a college graduate
- Not exceed the committee’s established annual income level of \$30,000 from Track & Field related sources
- Have performed at an elite level in the past 24 months, i.e., ranked in the top 10 in the USA in your event and have achieved at least the IAAF “B” standard level (most grant selections go to athletes at the “A” standard)
- Have a clean drug testing record with no history of drug-related suspensions
- Agree to all drug testing protocols established by the USATF, USADA and WADA
- Commit to supporting USATF's “Win With Integrity” program and willing to participate in up to 2 appearances per year

Note: Criteria may be modified by the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

Approved Grant Uses:

- Housing
- Training costs
- Coaching
- Travel to competitions
- Health Insurance

* All grants and awards are subject to the recipient’s commitment to being drug-free and not having been accused of, or sanctioned for, a doping violation. The USATF Foundation reserves the right to revoke an award to any recipient who is found to have violated the anti-doping rules of USATF, the IAAF, WADA or the IOC. In the event of said revocation, the recipient shall be prompted to refund the grant or award funds to the Foundation.

USA Track & Field Foundation Elite Athlete Development Grant Request Application

Athlete Contact Info:

Athlete's Name _____

Primary Event(s) _____

E-mail _____

Primary Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Work Phone _____

Date of Birth _____

Coach _____ **Coach's Phone** _____

Agent _____ **Agent's Phone** _____

Please respond to the following questions:

Are you a USA citizen? Yes___ No___

Are you a college graduate? Yes___ No___

Name of School _____

Year of Graduation _____

Degree(s) Held _____

Please provide an itemization of your track & field income for the *current* and *prior* year: (indicate if there is no chance of an income source recurring in future years)

Support from the USOC and USATF (Post Collegiate Special Assistance Fund, Elite Athlete Hardship Fund, Operation Gold Grants, Venture Performance Pool, Tuition Assistance, ARCO Training Center use, etc.):

2009_____

2008_____

Prize money:

2009_____

2008_____

Corporate or shoe company stipends, sponsorship money or travel money:

2009_____

2008_____

Indicate shoe company sponsor (if any)_____

Other Grants or awards (e.g. William Simon grant, Roads Scholar grant, etc.):

2009_____

2008_____

Any other source:

2009_____

2008_____

Also, provide your annual income from part-time or full-time employment (verifiable by income tax statements) for the current and prior year:

Are you receiving medical insurance coverage or funding specifically for health insurance from any source? If yes, please explain.

Have you met the IAAF “A” or “B” standard in the past 24 months? Yes___ No___

Event_____ Date of Performance_____

Result_____

Location of Performance_____

Do you have a clean drug testing record with no history of drug-related suspensions?

Yes___ No___

Are you in compliance with the testing protocols established by the USATF, USADA and WADA? Yes___ No___

If you are awarded a Foundation Grant, will you commit to supporting USATF's “*Win With Integrity*” program by participating in up to 2 appearances per year as arranged by USATF? Yes___ No___

What are your competitive goals for the next year and for the next 4 years?

Please list your personal records and top athletic performances.

For selected athletes, the typical grant is \$3,000-5,000. If awarded to you, how would you anticipate applying this financial assistance to your training and performance goals?

Please describe your current training environment (for example: coaching, training groups, access to sports medicine/therapy & massage, etc.).

Please describe why the selection committee should choose you for this grant. How would this funding make a material difference in your performance achievements?

Attach a separate sheet if necessary

Any additional ways in which you help support USATF and the USATF Foundation's mission and goals?

Please include a letter of support from someone knowledgeable about you as an athlete and as a person.

Please complete the following and sign:

I, _____, certify that all of the information that I have provided to the USA Track & Field Foundation is true and correct. I also certify and represent that I am drug free and not currently the subject of anti-doping allegations, nor have I been sanctioned for an anti-doping violation in the past. Additionally, I hereby authorize the USA Track & Field Foundation and its Foundation Elite Athlete Committee to verify the information, statements and representations made in this application. I also authorize the USA Track & Field Foundation to contact third parties to verify the information that I have provided herein.

Applying athlete's signature _____

Applying athlete's name (*printed*) _____

Date _____

Please forward completed applications and reference letters to:

USATF National Office
Attn: USATF Foundation
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

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