

# Athens United Soccer Association Financial Aid Policy

Athens United Soccer Association aims to ensure that every child has the opportunity to participate in club soccer, regardless of financial circumstances.

Financial Aid is available for families who qualify. We offer financial aid for Developmental, Academy, Select, and Summer Camp Programs.

The AUSA is solely responsible for the allocation of financial aid funds. There is no guarantee that funds will be available to all who apply.

## Application Process

Parents/Guardians must submit a financial aid application once annually in advance of the soccer season they are planning to participate in. Requests for financial aid are made when accepting the child's position on the team. The option to apply for financial aid is embedded into the registration process.

## Proofs

Submission of **one** of the following with the application once per year is required:

- Federal Tax Return from the current or previous year (Please black out any social security numbers for safety)
- One month of pay stubs from the month or previous month of application
- Or, if you cannot provide any of the above, a Letter of Extenuating Circumstances explaining your situation

## Eligibility

AUSA uses the current [Federal Poverty Level Guidelines](#) published each year by the US Department of Health and Human Services to establish financial aid eligibility. AUSA will take into account the player's FPL household level to determine the amount of financial assistance that will be awarded.

2026	Total (Gross) Annual Income		
Household /Family Size	125%	175%	225%
1	19,950.00	27,930.00	35,910.00
2	27,050.00	37,870.00	48,690.00
3	34,150.00	47,810.00	61,470.00
4	41,250.00	57,750.00	74,250.00
5	48,350.00	67,690.00	87,030.00
6	55,450.00	77,630.00	99,810.00

## Additional Costs Not Eligible for Financial Aid

Academy and Select Players will need to purchase their training and game uniforms for the year.  
~\$220

In addition, the player's family will be responsible for their portion of travel expenses, camps, or tournament fees. ~\$100 - \$200 per season

## Work / Trade Scholarships

Depending on the number of applications, the applicant's financial situation, and the family's demonstrated commitment to AUSA, a scholarship reducing fees may be granted in exchange for supporting the club with time spent in the following areas:

- Manning the concession stand
- Assisting with tournaments
- Field maintenance
- Helping with camps