



Sports & Exhibition Authority

When you have the time, Pittsburgh has the place.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 18, 2024

SPORTS & EXHIBITION AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY COUNTY

SPORTS COMMISSION

SPORTS EVENT FUNDING (SEF) PROGRAM

January 2024 Grant Award Announcement

PITTSBURGH, PA: – The Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County (“SEA”) and its Sports Commission have announced that it will award 14 Sports Event Funding (SEF) program grants totaling \$775,500, that are projected to generate approximately \$48,957,316.76 in economic impact for Allegheny County. This program provides financial assistance to support major sporting events that provide significant economic impact to Allegheny County, with substantial hotel occupancy and tourism spending. Eligible events include athletic or Esports events, whether professional or amateur, that are regulated and sanctioned by a regional, national, or international organization or association. Funding of up to \$75,000 is available in the form of a grant.

The following sporting events were awarded grants:

RISE HIGH ELITE BASKETBALL (NOTHING BUT NET CLASSIC)

A one-weekend boys’ and girls’ youth travel basketball tournament to be held Saturday, March 30, 2024 through Sunday, March 31, 2024, at the All-American Fieldhouse. Grant amount - \$20,000

THREE RIVERS MARATHON INC. (EQT PITTSBURGH 10 MILER)

A one-day 10-miler and 10K road race to be held on Sunday, November 3, 2024. Grant amount - \$45,000

3STEP SPORTS (PITTSBURGH JAM FEST)

A one-weekend middle school and high school boys’ basketball tournament that offers a free one-night youth clinic to be held Friday, April 19, 2024 through Sunday, April 21, 2024, at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. Grant amount - \$74,000

PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX

A one-weekend vintage car race to be held from Saturday, August 3, 2024 through Sunday, August 4, 2024, at Schenley Park. Grant amount - \$75,000



Sports & Exhibition Authority

When you have the time, Pittsburgh has the place.

USCAA SMALL COLLEGE SOCCER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

A collegiate-level soccer competition featuring Men's and Women's Division I and II to be held Thursday, November 14, 2024 through Monday, November 18, 2024, at Montour Junction Sports Complex and Highmark Stadium. Grant amount - \$70,000

ATLANTIC COAST BASEBALL (2024 BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS)

Fifteen weekends of youth baseball and/or softball tournaments to be held Friday, May 3, 2024 through Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at various softball and baseball venues located throughout Allegheny County. Grant amount – \$72,500

PREMIER ICE PROSPECTS (LABOR DAY GIRLS FEST & THE BURGH GIRLS FEST)

Two weekend hockey tournaments for females of all skills and ages to be held Friday, August 30, 2024 through Sunday, September 1, 2024 and Friday, November 28, 2024 through Sunday, December 1, 2024, at various ice venues throughout Allegheny County. Grant amount - \$30,000

SUPERSERIESAAA (THF PITTSBURGH & THF PITTSBURGH BANTAM)

Two weekend hockey tournaments for youth ages 13 to 18 to be held Friday, September 20, 2024 through Sunday, September 22, 2024, and Friday, November 22, 2024 through Sunday, November 24, 2024, at the Alpha Ice Complex. Grant amount - \$75,000

SUPERSERIESAAA (TOP TIER USA)

A one-weekend competitive hockey tournament to be held Friday, May 3, 2024 through Sunday, May 5, 2024, at various ice rinks throughout Allegheny County. Grant amount - \$75,000

SPECIAL OLYMPICS PENNSYLVANIA'S WESTERN SPRING SECTIONAL

A one-day qualification event for athletes to attend SOPA's state and national competitions to be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at various venues located in Allegheny County. Grant amount - \$10,000

PREMIER SOCCER SERVICES (PENNSYLVANIA INTERNATIONAL CUP)

A three-day international soccer tournament for youth ages 9 to 14, with a focus on Hispanic and Black Communities' participation, to be held Friday, October 18, 2024 through Sunday, October 20, 2024, at various venues located in Allegheny County. Grant amount - \$75,000



Sports & Exhibition Authority

When you have the time, Pittsburgh has the place.

UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION (2024 U.S. SENIOR WOMEN'S OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP)

A national golf championship for females 50 and older and is open to any professional or amateur to be held Monday, July 29, 2024 through Sunday, August 4, 2024, at Fox Chapel Golf Club. Grant amount - \$75,000

PITTSBURGH DERBY BRATS (PAJAMA JAM TOURNAMENT & MAYDAY MELEE TOURNAMENT)

Two junior roller derby tournaments for youth of all genders ages 13-18 to be held Saturday, March 23, 2024 and Saturday, May 4, 2024, through Sunday, May 5, 2024 at Pro+Sports and RMU Island Sports Complex. Grant amount - \$4,000

PITTSBURGH THREE RIVERS REGATTA

A three-day Formula One Powerboat race event with a field of 34 drivers to be held Friday, August 2, 2024 through Sunday, August 4, 2024. Grant amount - \$75,000

Funding for the program is provided by the Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund. The next 2024 round of SEF applications will be accepted June 15, 2024 through July 15, 2024. Program guidelines and submission information are available on the SEA website at <http://www.pgh-sea.com/index.php?path=sef>.

ABOUT THE SPORTS & EXHIBITION AUTHORITY (SEA)

As a joint authority for the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, the SEA provides venues for sporting, entertainment, educational, cultural, civic, and social events to improve the quality of public life. The SEA owns and leases Acrisure Stadium, PNC Park, and PPG Paints Arena, and owns and operates David L. Lawrence Convention Center. The SEA also owns parking facilities, public parks, development parcels, and various associated infrastructure improvements. For more information about the SEA, visit: <http://www.pgh-sea.com/>.

ABOUT THE SEA SPORTS COMMISSION

The SEA established the Sports Commission for the purpose of assisting the region in attracting and growing its competitive position in the sports event market. The Sports Commission, a five-member board, evaluates the financial, business, and public impact of proposals for Sports Event Funding and provides recommendations for funding to the SEA Board. For more about the Sports Commission, visit: <http://www.pgh-sea.com/index.php?path=ssc-formation>.