2013 USAT YOUTH AND JUNIOR TRAVEL GRANT PROGRAM

Purpose: The purpose of this program is to provide financial support to offset expenses associated with participation by regional youth and juniors in the USA Triathlon Junior Olympic Festival, USAT Youth Elite or Junior Elite Cups, USAT Athlete Development Camps, ITU World Championships or other USAT sanctioned camps or events. USAT Midwest may award up to ten (10) $300 grants for the 2013 season.

Deadline: Applications must be submitted on or prior to **April 30, 2013** by email to the USAT Midwest Region Athlete Development Coordinator (RADC) at the following address:

Jenny Weber
jenny@getzoomperformance.com

Awards will be granted on or before **June 30, 2013**.

Evaluation Criteria: Applications will be evaluated first and foremost according to financial need. Other evaluation criteria are 1) past performance and improvement in USAT sanctioned events and 2) scholarship. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Eligibility: Athlete must be 1) between the ages of 13 and 19 years old (inclusive) as of December 31, 2013, 2) a USAT member and permanent resident within the USAT Midwest Region, and 3) qualified or registered for the camp or event for which he/she is requesting funds. Past recipients of travel grants are eligible, but preference will be given to first-time recipients.

Issuance: Grants will be issued in an amount up to $300 based on anticipated expenses. After attending the event, the recipient is expected to provide proof of participation and a race report to the RADC at the above address within 30 days.

How to Apply:

1. Complete the Application Form (below).
2. Attach a statement of financial need (not to exceed 250 words) itemizing costs associated with the applicable event and annual costs associated with your participation in triathlon (such as pool or gym membership, travel costs, entry fees, USAT dues, team/coaching fees). Please also indicate if you are individually sponsored (whether in kind or monetary) and at what level.
3. Attach a copy of your most recent school report card.
4. Attach a copy of your current USAT membership card.
5. Email all documents to Jenny Weber (RADC) at the above address.

2013 Youth or Junior Development Travel Grant Application

Grant Requested for (name of event):		
First Name:	**Last Name:**	
Date of Birth: MM/DD/YYYY	**Race Age (as of 12/31/13):**	**Gender: M F**
Street Address		
City:	**State:**	**Zip:**
Email Address:		
Home Phone:	**Cell Phone:**	
Coach's Name (if applicable):		
Coach's Email (if applicable):		
Team Affiliation (if applicable):		
USAT Member Number:		

My parents collectively have annual earnings (this question is optional, but assists the committee to determine need):

__ less than $25,000

__ greater than or equal to $25,000 but less than $50,000

__ greater than or equal to $50,000 but less than $75,000

__ greater than $75,000 but less than $100,000

__ greater than or equal to $100,000

Please list your two **best triathlon performances** in the past year:

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_____ Applicant Signature

_____ Parent Signature

- Please attach a **Statement of Financial Need** (not to exceed 250 words) which should describe 1) anticipated costs associated with the applicable event and 2) annual costs associated with your participation in triathlon (such as pool or gym membership, travel costs, entry fees, USAT dues, team/coaching fees). If applicable, please describe any corporate sponsorship you receive (whether in kind or monetary).

- Please attach a copy of your most **recent report card**.

- Please attach a copy of your **current USAT membership card**.

Email all documents to the RADC at:

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If you receive a travel grant, you MUST thereafter email to the RADC proof of participation at the event and a race report within thirty (30) days following the event.

NOTE THAT INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BY THE USAT MIDWEST REGION TRAVEL GRANT COMMITTEE.