

BSSHA-FY21 Fall

FY21 Fall Application for Funding (Returning Applicants)

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Application Form

Guidelines & Applications Tips

UPDATING INFORMATION FROM SPRING:

You will NOT need to retype your responses from the Spring application. Use the "Copy Answers" button at the top of the page to transfer your responses from the FY21 Spring application (submitted in April 2020) to this Application. You can make changes to any of your responses that need updating. If a response has not changed there is no need to update the response

NEW QUESTIONS:

★ Questions that were not asked on the Spring Application and are new to the Fall Cycle are indicated with a gold star

REQUIRED VS OPTIONAL QUESTIONS:

- All required questions are marked with an *asterisk* and must be answered in order to submit the application
- All optional questions have no notation and are not required in order to submit the application. But if an optional question applies to you, please provide an answer.

GUIDELINES:

- Please direct questions or concerns to Jenny Muscat, Operations Manager, at Jenny@ResortTax.Org or 406-995-3234
- Please only provide the information requested within this application
 - Supplemental materials will not be accepted
- Blackmail or bribery of staff or board members is strictly prohibited and will result in disqualification
- Please proofread your application for grammar and validate your data prior to submission
- Avoid organizational jargon and use layman's terms to minimize follow up questions
- You may SAVE the application at any time and return to it
- Final submission happens upon clicking 'SUBMIT'
- **The deadline for applications is Wednesday, September 30 @ 11:59 pm (Mountain Time)**

Organization/Background Information

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please verify and update any information that has changed since you applied for the FY21 Spring Cycle.

Request Title*

Please **update** with your "'Organization Acronym"-FY21 Fall'. For example: *BSRAD-FY21 Fall*

BSSHA-FY21 Fall

Number of Projects/Programs*

How many projects/programs are you requesting Resort Tax funds for in the Fall cycle?

- If you are requesting funds for **FEWER** projects than in the spring keep the number of projects the same as it was in the spring and in the corresponding project question section(s) enter \$0 for the amount requested **and** provide an explanation about why this project is no longer taking place
- If you are requesting funds for the **SAME** number of projects as the spring keep the number of projects the same and update/verify each project question section accordingly
- If you are requesting funds for **MORE** projects than in the spring enter the new (higher) number here and fill in the additional project question section accordingly
 - The maximum number of projects you may request funds for is 6

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For applicants with multiple projects please note that the application will expand and create additional project/program information sections for each project you are requesting funding for based upon the number entered above. Please enter your projects in order of highest to lowest priority as you complete the application.

Funds Not Awarded*

★ How would your projects/programs be affected if Resort Tax funding were not awarded?

We likely would not be able to operate our rink and programs this Season. Theoretically, we can obtain the funds needed to operate from other private donor sources, but based upon our knowledge of our donor base and how COVID-19 has affected some of the people, businesses, and foundations who have supported us in the past, we do not think that is likely. We have applied for some COVID-19 related grants, but were turned down because we did not meet the strict criteria for that special funding. Most of the expenses we incur are for normal maintenance (e.g. snow removal, clean-up, Zamboni operation, repairs of equipment, etc.) and utilities and we see no way of cutting back on those expenses except with the possibility of cutting out refrigeration. The net savings from that would be relatively small because, without refrigeration, we would have to eliminate our curling program, which is our largest program revenue producer. Cutting out refrigeration would likely shorten our season by 30-45 days. We believe that either possibility would be a real setback for our youth hockey programs. Also, it would deprive the Community and tourists of an important outdoor activity.

Total Funds Requested FY21 Fall*

★ What is the total amount of funds your organization is requesting for all projects/programs for this cycle (1/1/216/30-21):

Please ensure that all requests for all projects add up to this total, the form does not calculate a total for you.

\$67,905.00

Additional COVID-19 Funds*

★ Has your organization received any funding from any of the following programs? (Check all that apply)

None

COVID-19 Funds Explanation

★ Please explain how the funding received affects your FY21 Fall Resort Tax request:

Provide detail on:

- *What funding was received (sources and amounts)*
- Amount your request to Resort Tax can be reduced (total ask and broken down by project) if applicable
- When funds were received/expected to be received
- Any other important information regarding this additional funding

Not applicable. We have not applied for nor obtained any of the COVID Funds listed. We did apply to Big Sky Relief, but they informed us that we did not meet their strict criteria for COVID-19 Relief Funds. We to intend to let Resort Tax know if, based upon fundraising results, whether we can reduce our request amount.

COVID-19 Impact*

★ What has the impact of COVID-19 been on your operation and how has this impact affected your Fall Resort Tax request?

Since our 2020-21 season is not scheduled to start until December, our operations have not yet been affected by COVID-19, but we believe a reduction of our private donations because of COVID-19 could leave us without sufficient money to operate this season or require us to significantly cut back on our operations. Our program revenues account for less than 15% of the revenues we need to operate and the remainder must come from a combination of private donations, government support, and foundation grants. We did not receive any money from Resort Tax during their June allocation, our golf tournament/fundraiser had to be cancelled because of COVID-19, and we have already heard from several major supporters (including a foundation who gave us \$15,000 last year) that they will be unable to support us this year or will have to significantly cut back on their support. This creates a realistic concern on our part about the possibility that BSSHA will experience greatly diminished private funding this year. This is why we increased our request in the Spring \$40,227 to \$67,905. Please note, however that we are only asking for funds to help operate and not for any equipment purchases or upgrades. We hope that our pessimism regarding achieving our fundraising goals turns out to be unfounded, in which case we intend to inform Resort Tax that we need less than requested.

PAYMENT REQUEST SCHEDULE INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Update** your estimated payment request schedule for your entire request for the FY21 Fall Cycle (1/1/21-6/30/21)
- For any month you are NOT requesting funds please enter 0

Please note:

- The first-day funds can be requested for the fall cycle is 1/15/21

- o Funding will not be available until a contract has been signed and the Post Award Follow Up has been completed
- Enter your estimated schedule based on when you plan to request funds from Resort Tax

January 2021 Estimate*

Only for expenses incurred from 1/1-1/15/21 that you plan to request by 1/15/21. DO NOT INCLUDE ANY FUNDS YOU WERE AWARDED IN THE SPRING CYCLE IN THIS AMOUNT.

\$25,000.00

February 2021 Estimate*

\$15,000.00

March 2021 Estimate*

\$15,000.00

April 2021 Estimate*

\$12,905.00

May 2021 Estimate*

\$0.00

June 2021 Estimate*

\$0.00

July 2021 Request Total Request*

★ *You may request funds until 7/15/21, for the FY21 Fall cycle for any expenses incurred before 6/30/21.*

\$0.00

When projecting future requests, please ensure these numbers are as accurate as possible. While calculating these numbers keep the following in mind:

- Economic Growth
- Staffing Changes
- Changes in Community Needs

Future Funding Request FY22 Spring*

★What is your forecasted Resort Tax request for the FY22 Spring cycle (7/1/21-12/31/21)?
\$0.00

Future Funding FY22 Fall*

★What is your forecasted Resort Tax request for the FY22 Fall cycle (1/1/22-6/30/22)?
\$77,000.00

Future Funding Request FY23*

What is your forecasted Resort Tax request for FY23 (7/1/22-6/30/23)?
\$43,600.00

Future Funding Request FY24*

★What is your forecasted Resort Tax request for FY24 (7/1/23-6/30/24)?
\$44,908.00

Project/Program 1 Information

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please verify and update any information that has changed since you applied for the FY21 Spring Cycle.
If this project/program will not be taking place in the Fall cycle enter \$0 in the amount requested text box and provide information about why this project is no longer taking place in the "Additional Information" question later in this section.

Project/Program 1*

Operating Assistance Project

Amount Requested | Project/Program 1*

Update the amount you are requesting for project/program 1 for the Fall cycle (1/1/21-6/30/21):
\$67,905.00

PAYMENT REQUEST SCHEDULE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Enter your estimated payment request schedule for project/program 1 ONLY for the FY21 Fall Cycle (1/1/21-6/30/21)
- For any month you are NOT requesting funds from Resort Tax please enter 0
- Please ensure your monthly request add up to the Amount Requested for this project/program
 - o The application does not add up the requests for you

January 2021 Est Project/Program 1*

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\$0.00

Goals | Project/Program 1

What are the goals of this project/program and how will they be measured?

The goals are (1) to operate our rink with related programs for the full season (2) increase the number of people who use our rink and participate in our programs (3) provide a quality product which will encourage more participation, and (4) continue to make improvements which will reduce future operating costs. We can measure the number of people in our formal programs (e.g. youth hockey, curling, broomball, etc.), but we cannot measure the numbers who use our facilities for open skating without having a full-time rink manager, which we believe to be an unwise expense at this point. Nonetheless, we believe that anyone who goes by our rink will observe that it is heavily used.

Project/Program 1 Spring Funding*

★ Was this project/program awarded funds in the FY21 Spring cycle?

If yes, please elaborate in the next question:

No

Project/Program 1 Spring Funding Explanation

★ If applicable, please describe how you met the measurable goals outlined in your Spring application:

We haven't met any goals so far. That is because our Season will not start until December and, as a result, we have not expended any significant dollars yet. We do have some money that will need to be spent in the coming months to prepare for the coming season and which are necessary if we are to achieve our goals.

Project/Program 1 Additional Information*

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What additional information would you like to share with the Board regarding this project/program?

None.

Community Messaging 1*

★ Please provide a brief (1-2 sentence) description of this project/program for community messaging purposes:

This project is to provide part of the funds needed to operate the BSSHA rink and programs during the 2020-21 Season.

Application Verification & Summary

APPLICATION VERIFICATION:

Please ensure that your application is complete, all calculations are accurate, and it has been proofread before submitting for Board review. Once you select Submit you will no longer be able to edit your application.

Verification*

Incomplete applications may not be considered for funding. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide all the information requested in the proper format by the application deadline.

I verify that the application is complete and contains accurate information

Date of Submission*

09/28/2020

Name of Submitter*

The Big Sky Skating and Hockey Association, Inc. (through Gary Hermann, Vice-President)

Once you click 'SUBMIT', do not refresh the page. It may take a few moments to process the information and submit the application.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

No files were uploaded