

SBART Gifts and Grants

It is part of the Mission of the Santa Barbara Athletic Round Table to ***“grant financial support to organizations, teams and individuals to further their participation in sports and thereby enrich the quality of life for athletes and others in the greater Santa Barbara area.”***

With that Mission in mind, grants may be awarded to deserving individuals or groups who, by means of their application clearly demonstrate need and that their endeavors, plans or programs are clearly in line with the SBART Mission Statement.

These individuals or groups should also demonstrate that they have made a strong effort to secure other or additional funding. Also, grants may be awarded to development projects which demonstrate the above criteria and, additionally, clearly demonstrate that the project will have a positive impact upon organizations, teams or individuals who participate in athletics or recreation in the greater Santa Barbara area.

Grants are available up to \$500. Funding for grants is only available when the budget of the Santa Barbara Athletic Round Table is sufficient to provide it.

Policies for Selection:

- An individual applying for a grant should be an outstanding SB area athlete whose records and achievements are easily verifiable.
- A group or organization of the SB area applying for a grant should be able to demonstrate its contribution to the betterment of sports and athletics in the SB area through records and achievements which are easily verifiable.
- Individual applicants of the SB area should be of amateur standing in the sport for which the grant is requested; organizations which apply should be composed of athletic participants of amateur standing who are from the SB area.
- Athletes who are currently in school must meet the academic requirements for athletic participation at their school.
- Priority will be given to individuals and groups with demonstrated financial need.
- Priority will be given to a group sponsoring an event for many teams, though All-Star teams or local teams in out-of-the-area competition may also be considered.
- Priority will be given to post-season competition ahead of invited pre-season competition or the simple desire to attend a “cultural exchange.”
- Trip or entry expenses for an individual who qualifies for an elite athletic competition will be considered.
- Grants given to development projects should be “seed money” or money to compliment other funding sources.
- Grants given to development projects should clearly result in benefits to large numbers of recreation and/or sports participants in the greater Santa Barbara area.

An individual or group awarded a grant is asked to report in writing to the SBART Board of Directors regarding the impact of the grant within 30 days, or refund the grant money. We also request of these individuals or groups that pictures of the funded activities, approved for use on the SBART website, be taken and sent to us as soon as possible following the event or competition.