



## Chris Dernetz Disabled Hockey Grant Program Application



Chris Dernetz was a tireless and dedicated USA Hockey volunteer. He served as the Southeastern District Registrar from 1997–2003. After his tenure as the District Registrar, Chris was elected to the Board of Directors for the Potomac Valley Amateur Hockey Association (PVAHA). In his role as a PVAHA Director, he served as the Affiliate Treasurer and Background Screening Coordinator. During his time on the Affiliate Board, Chris was an advocate for Disabled Hockey programs. He was active in the USA Warriors Ice Hockey Program and also served as a director for the Baltimore

Area Special Hockey Program. He assisted with Special Hockey Tournaments in our area, and was also a Tournament Director for the 2010 USA Hockey Disabled Festival held in Laurel, MD.

Chris passed away suddenly in September 2013. To honor Chris Dernetz's service to the Affiliate and to Disabled Hockey programs in our area we have created the **Chris Dernetz Disabled Hockey Grant Program** to assist USA Hockey Disabled Hockey Programs within PVAHA.

Area Disabled Hockey programs may apply for a grant of up to \$3,000 by completing the application form on page 2. The Affiliate will pay 75% of the Grant Award in September. The 25% balance of the Grant will be paid upon completion of a final report from the Association. The final report must explain how the funds were used by the Association and provide documentation to support the expenses. In reviewing Chris Dernetz Grant applications the Affiliate places emphasis on those applications that will grow participation levels in disabled hockey programs within the Affiliate.

### TIMELINE FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS

- July 15, 2025** **GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE** — Incomplete applications will be returned to be completed. Please keep in mind that late submissions run the risk of not being considered due to depletion of available Crerar funds.
- August 30, 2025** Notification will be sent to successful applicants after the Grant Committee reviews grant applications. A check for 75% of the grant awarded will be mailed to successful applicants after September 1st. Unsuccessful applicants will also be notified. Grant awards will also be posted on the Affiliate website.
- March 31, 2026** Final report along with any receipt and documentation due from Grant recipients. Balance of Grant Award (25%) paid upon receipt of final report.

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**Grant applications for the 2025–2026 season must be submitted by July 15, 2025.**

Grant Applications should be submitted to:

PVAHA Grant Committee  
c/o Mr. John Coleman  
214 Lawton Street  
Falls Church, VA 22046  
EMAIL: jkcole214@aol.com

Name of Association Submitting Grant Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address of Association: \_\_\_\_\_

USA Hockey Association Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Tax ID No: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Association a 501(c)(3) Organization: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Amount of Grant Requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Ice Rink(s) used by Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Total USA Hockey Registrations for the 2024–2025 season: Players \_\_\_\_\_ Coaches \_\_\_\_\_

Association Grant Coordinator:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please provide a detailed description on how the grant funds will be spent by the association.  
If you are seeking reimbursement for items already purchased within this past fiscal year  
please include copies of any receipts or bills.*