



Olympians & Paralympians Relief Fund Policies as of 2024.03.29

- 1) All Board members must make a financial contribution (in any amount) to the fund at least once per calendar year.
- 2) Board members or members of their family are not eligible to receive OPRF Grants.
- 3) Board members are required to vote on each application **within 48 hours** of receipt.
- 4) Board terms are for three years, without term limit.
- 5) Only members of USOPA in good standing are eligible to apply for OPRF Grants. US Olympic and Paralympic Team head coaches are members of USOPA. (This would prevent international Oly/Ply and domestic coaches and staff from applying).
- 6) Applicant must demonstrate **financial need** in order to qualify for an OPRF Grant.
- 7) Only applications with an attached Olympian or Paralympian **endorsement** are eligible for Gold or Decathlon Grants.
- 8) Gold and Decathlon grants must receive a **unanimous** affirmative vote by the Board.
- 9) Applications will receive the largest grant that receives a majority vote by the Board.
- 10) Applicants must identify an “incident” that occurred in the prior 12 months, in order to be eligible for a grant.
- 11) Incidents can be defined as “accident, illness, injury or natural disaster, **out of the applicant’s control.**”
- 12) The applicant is responsible to attach all pertinent information and a personal signature **before** the Board will consider the application.
- 13) Once the application is distributed to the Board, the applicant may not amend the application.
- 14) The applicant is only allowed to submit **one application per incident.**
- 15) The Board will be asked to vote on each application, **one time.**
- 16) Once the Board reaches a decision, that decision is final.
- 17) Applicants will be asked to explain if they were a part of any USADA, SafeSport or NGB investigation.
- 18) Applicants will be asked to explain if they have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor.
- 19) Application endorsers will also be asked to explain any investigations or convictions on their record.