

COLUMBUS RECREATION AND PARKS

# PLAY

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Breaking through financial barriers so kids can be kids **and play.**



## OVERVIEW

Established in 1993, the PLAY Scholarship Fund enables families in central Ohio to participate in enrichment activities offered through Columbus Recreation and Parks Department, regardless of their economic status. The PLAY Scholarship Fund covers a portion or all of the costs of fee-based activities for eligible kids 18 and younger.

**PLAY scholarships** make it possible for youth to connect with nature, wellness and creativity year-round through programs and camps in areas such as:

- Aquatics
- Boxing
- Cheer and Gymnastics
- Dance, Music and Theater
- Cooking
- Drawing, Painting and Other Creative Arts
- Foreign Languages
- Sports Leagues and Skills & Drills





## FUNDING SOURCES

PLAY scholarships are possible thanks to the generosity of donors. We receive support from:

- Champions for PLAY Golf Outing
- Local and National Foundations
- Local Businesses
- Individual Donors



**\$1.3  
MILLION+**



in scholarships have been awarded since 1993



**APPROXIMATELY  
3,000**

youth receive scholarships each year

## WE NEED YOU

Operating high quality programming with the proper equipment, supplies and instruction necessitates a pay-to-play model. Without assistance, these programs can be out of reach for families in the most vulnerable communities. Your support ensures every child has the opportunity to enjoy the physical and emotional benefits of Columbus Recreation and Parks programs.

## LEARN MORE

For more information on how you can support PLAY, contact Erika Shemberg at [ejshemberg@columbus.gov](mailto:ejshemberg@columbus.gov) or visit [columbus.gov/PLAY-Scholarship](http://columbus.gov/PLAY-Scholarship)



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