

The Alaska Winter Olympians Scholarship Fund Scholarship Guidelines

Deadline for Applications: October 15th, 2021 Award Amount: Up to \$5,000

The Alaska Winter Olympians Fund was established to support promising Alaskan athletes. Funding will be awarded to Alaska residents who show regional, national, or international promise in Olympic winter sports and have financial need. The Alaska Winter Olympians Fund Advisory Committee will review applications once per year.

Qualifications:

- Applicant must be an Alaskan resident and US Citizen.
- Applicant must have the goal of pursuing Olympic success.
- Applicant must be competing in one of the winter Olympic disciplines, regardless of their level of competition (junior, development, or senior).
- Applicant must abide by the code of conduct outlined by his/her National Governing Body, if applicable.
- Preference will be given to athletes with demonstrated financial need.

Application Process:

The application must be completed through The Alaska Community Foundation's online system. Visit https://alaskacf.org/blog/funds/alaska-winter-olympians-fund/ to access the application. You will need to create a profile within the online system.

A complete application includes the following:

- A letter of recommendation from a coach or athlete's National Governing Body
- An athletic resume detailing accomplishments
- A completed W-9 form
- A description of financial need, estimated expenses, and how the funds will be used
- One statement regarding how funding would help the athlete achieve Olympic goals
- Description of applicant's Community service

Contact The Alaska Community Foundation with questions: 907-334-6700 or grants@alaskacf.org Alaska Winter Olympians Fund



FAQ'S

Who can apply for an Alaska Winter Olympian Fund (AWOF) award?

AWOF awards are for athletes competing in one of the winter Olympic disciplines, regardless of their level of competition (junior, development or senior). AWOF funding is needs based and shall be awarded to athletes who best demonstrate skill, Olympic potential, and aspirations.

How many athletes are you awarding?

The AWOF selection committee will determine the number of awards, but awarded amounts are up to \$5,000 based on available funding.

How are scholarships paid out?

Where possible, scholarship disbursements shall be made directly to vendors to ensure grant funds are used for the specified purpose. Other expenses will be reimbursed to the athlete upon submission of expense receipts to the Alaska Winter Olympians Fund at The Alaska Community Foundation. Payments will not be made to athletes without receipts.

How can I donate to AWOF?

AWOF is a fund of The Alaska Community Foundation. Checks may be mailed to the address below payable to The Alaska Community Foundation/AWOF Fund OR donations may be made online by <u>clicking here</u>. Please contact The Alaska Community Foundation with any questions.