

# Financial Assistance Guide

# **Financial Assistance Program Policy**

This program will provide financial support to players who may need such assistance to play.

# **Financial Assistance Program Committee**

FW United FC shall maintain a FA Committee to administer the financial assistance program. The FA Committee will convene annually, and shall include the current Treasurer, the director of operations, and the Director of Coaching. The FA Committee shall complete its decision-making process no later than August  $1^{st}$ . All actions of the FA Committee are confidential.

### **Financial Assistance Criteria**

FA will be awarded based on objective qualification criteria set annually by the FA Committee. Qualification criteria will generally track published Federal poverty guidelines based on gross monthly income and family size. FA awards will be determined by the applicant's level of qualification, the total number of qualified applications, and the amount of funds available for FA.

# **Financial Assistance Awards**

FA awards will be applied towards essential club dues. The FA recipient's family will be required to pay a portion of the Club Annual Dues (FA Player Co-payment). This amount will be communicated in writing to the FA recipient's family. The FA Player Co-payment will be divided into monthly payments due on the 15th of each month. The mandatory volunteer hours will be factored in as well. A certain portion of any scholarship awarded will not be subtracted until the last two months of the season until volunteer hour requirements are met.

## Eligibility

To be eligible for Financial Assistance, all applicants' parents/guardians must sign the Fort Wayne United FA agreement and adhere to all guidelines set forth by the Fort Wayne United FC and the Financial Aid Committee. In addition to demonstrating dedication through consistent attendance at team practices, games and team events, all FA recipients are required to complete mandatory volunteer hours (14). These volunteer hours will be administrated by the FW United Events committee.