Share The Fun Recreation Grants for Low-Income Families and Seniors

Thanks to the generous support of many local businesses and individuals, Missoula Parks and Recreation offers recreation grants to children and seniors (58+) in the City of Missoula and Missoula County. No child or senior will be turned away from Parks and Recreation programs due to the inability to pay registration fees.

Who qualifies for the Parks and Recreation Grant?

- Families who live in Missoula City or Missoula County and can provide proof of residency.
- Families who receive any public assistance (SNAP, WIC, etc.) or can show proof of financial need.

Two grant options are available

- **Up to $100 Aquatics Pass Grant**
  - Swim passes to Splash Montana or Currents, includes annual and seasonal passes and punch cards.

- **Up to $130 Recreation Program Grant**
  - Youth recreation programs, camps and swim lessons, adult programs and senior tours.
  - MOBASH skate park clinics, teen programs, and outdoor recreation programs.

City and County residents

- **City and County residents are eligible for:**
  - One Aquatics Pass Grant up to $100 *OR*
  - One Recreation Program Grant up to $130 per fiscal year.
How to Apply For a Grant

Due to high demand for grant funds, please follow the application guidelines carefully.

1. Fill out the grant application included in this packet. You need only one application per family.

2. Show proof of residency within the City of Missoula or Missoula County with a utility bill or rental agreement.

3. Show proof of your enrollment in a public assistance program or verification of your income as shown on the next page. Eligible public assistance programs include:

- WIC
- CHIP
- TANF
- Healthy Kids Montana
- Other (please provide details.)

4. Tell us the recreation program or aquatics pass you are applying for. See attached Aquatics Pass pricing and a current Recreation Guide for details.

5. Submit your grant application to Missoula Parks and Recreation headquarters in Currents Aquatics Center, McCormick Park, 600 Cregg Lane, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Helpful tips and additional information

- Please allow a minimum of 5 working days to process your grant application.

- You are encouraged to make an appointment (552-6256) if you would like to process your application without delay.

- If the price of the program or pass is greater than the grant, the applicant will pay the difference.

- See the seasonal Parks and Recreation Guide featuring the latest swim lessons and recreation programs. The guide is published in March, August and December of each year and is available at Currents Aquatics Center and at www.missoulaparks.org.

- **Group Homes:** Youth who are under the guardianship of a group home may apply for a grant if the client is low income. Social Service agencies may send parents/guardians to parks to fill out an application.

- **Adults:** Individuals who show extenuating circumstance will be considered for grants. Missoula Parks and Recreation will review requests on a case-by-case basis. Please schedule an appointment with Recreation Manager Shirley Kinsey at 552-6273.
Income guidelines for families who do not receive public assistance

Families who do not receive public assistance may qualify for a grant if their income is consistent with the following guidelines. Please bring the front page of your current federal tax return and a current pay stub as proof of your income.

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City Residents: Lower your fees with a Resident Discount Card!

Who can get a Resident Discount Card:

- Residents living within City of Missoula legal limits may apply for a Resident Discount Card.
- Bring a current bill with your address (water, power, cable etc.) to Currents Aquatics Center. A staff member will confirm your city residency.
- You may purchase cards for $2.00 each and for as many people in your household as you would like to have benefit from the discounted rates. Cards are good from the time you purchase it until December 31\textsuperscript{st} of the same year.
- The Resident Discount Cards gives customers a 20% discount on most recreation programs, pool passes, memberships and entrance fees.
- You may only purchase Resident Discount Cards for people living in your household.

Attached Documents

- Grant Application and Grant Agreement
- Aquatics Pass Grant information, including pricing for Currents and Splash Montana’s passes and punch cards.
Youth Recreation Grant Application

How to apply:

☐ Provide proof you live in the City of Missoula or Missoula County.
  Please provide utility bill or rental agreement. County resident grants are funded by Missoula County.

☐ Provide proof of financial need.
  Please provide proof of public assistance through AFDC, WIC, CHIP, SNAP, Medicaid or other program, or proof of income if you do not receive public assistance. Income guidelines are in the Share The Fun info packet.
  Documents provided: _______________________________________________________________________

☐ Call Missoula Parks & Recreation at 552-6256 for a grant appointment.
  Bring your proof of residence and proof of financial need. Review the attached Share The Fun information packet and a current Recreation Guide to choose your aquatics passes and/or recreation programs. The Recreation Guide is available at Currents and at www.missoulaparks.org.

Parent/Guardian: _______________________________________________________________________

Address _____________________________________________ City ____________ Zip__________________

Phone (Home) ___________________________ (Work) ___________________________ Birthdate___________

Child’s Name _________________________________________________________ Birthdate___________

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★IMPORTANT: Amount you can contribute towards your aquatics passes or recreation programs: $________
  (No amount is too small!)

_______________________________________________________________ ___________________
  Parent/Guardian Signature  Date

City and County Residents are eligible for:

One Aquatics Pass Grant up to $100 OR one Recreation Program Grant up to $130 per fiscal year.

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Youth Recreation Grant Agreement

This agreement applies to all scholarship applicants. Your initials and signature mean you agree to the following conditions.

Please read carefully, initial each item and sign at the bottom.

___ Aquatics Passes Grants may not exceed $100.

___ Recreation Program Grants may not exceed $130.

___ Your grant is available for use during the following dates: ____________________________.

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___ You must register for a recreation program or purchase an aquatics pass to use grant funds.

___ Grant funds are not left on a customer’s account as a credit.

___ If you have not used your full grant amount for the year, please contact Parks and Recreation in order to access those funds.

___ Canceling or changing programs and lessons may lead to the loss of scholarship funds. No changes or refunds will be issued without a minimum of 7 working days’ notice prior to the class or program start date. A client is allowed only one cancelation or change during the time period stated above.

___ Grant funds may not be used for the following Parks and Recreation programs: daily entrance fees to the Currents or Splash Montana, concession food, birthday parties and picnic shelters.

___ You must use at least 1/2 of your Aquatics Pass punches before you can apply to add more punches to an existing pass.

___ The monthly payment option is not available for annual passes issued under Aquatics Pass Grants.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Share the Fun Recreation Grants are administered by
Paula Fisher, Recreation Support Specialist, 552-6256.
We will contact you within 5 working days to advise you of your grant status.

Parks & Recreation
City of Missoula • 600 Cregg Lane • 721-PARK
In Currents Aquatics Center at McCormick Park
Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm 406-552-6256
# AQUATICS PASSES

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**10 Punch Card**  
- $27/  
- $21.75

**20 Punch Card**  
- $51/  
- $41

**30 Punch Card**  
- $67.50/  
- $54

*Family is 2 adults 18+ and 4 children ages 2-17 residing at the same household.

Fee is Regular Rate/CityCard holders. Households within Missoula's city limits can apply for a CityCard for $2 at Currents Aquatics Center.