

Subject: New submission from Community Development Combined
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General Information
Date of application: 01/19/2024
Organization name: Guilderland Youth Lacrosse
Organization TIN or EIN: 45-0637578
Organization physical address: PO Box 851 Guilderland, NY 12084 United States Map It
Is the mailing address different from the physical address? No
Contact Information
Primary contact name: Douglas Breakell
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What is the preferred method of contact? Doesn't matter
Website (if available): https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=2427304
Organization Info and Structure:
Is the organization a nonprofit? Yes
If nonprofit, please attach to this application proof of your organization's Tax-Exempt Status <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guilderland-Youth-Lacrosse.pdf

Date of establishment:

03/15/2011

Give a brief description of your organization. Please include information on the organization's activities or mission statement (150 words or less):

GUILDERLAND YOUTH LACROSSE

Guilderland Youth Lacrosse (GYL) Program is a non-profit organization whose primary purpose is to promote the game of lacrosse in the Town Of Guilderland. GYL strives to instill teamwork, positive self-esteem, the value of sportsmanship, respect for others, personal responsibility, and friendly completion for our young players. All Directors, Officers, and Members bear in mind that the achievement of outstanding athletic skill and the winning of games are secondary to the development of character and good citizenship.

Provide the total number of volunteers (if applicable):

25

What is the organization's current annual budget?

75,000

Have you or the organization ever received any form of COVID-19 relief funds or loans specific to the negative impacts of the Pandemic?

No

Project Proposal

Applicants may choose to apply for up to 2 program areas. Please select the primary program area for which you would like to apply.

Recreation and Outdoor Infrastructure

What amount of funding is being requested (Must be at least \$100,000 and should not exceed program area totals)?

415,000

Is this a new project or expansion of an existing initiative, please describe.

This would be a new project to improve a location at DiCaprio Park in the Town of Guilderland to support year-round activities, including lacrosse, field hockey, ice hockey, soccer, and ice-skating allowing local youth sports teams and town residents to overcome the limitations of weather, daylight, and related field issues. This project will also support the recently approved turf field surface in the Guilderland School District, providing an additional turf training location without the need to fund private turf locations outside of the Town of Guilderland as is the current practice.

Please provide an executive summary of the proposed program or project for which you are requesting funds. Include a description of the target population, as well as the goals and objectives of your proposed project (500 words or less).

The installation of a synthetic turf with dasher boards and lighting ("Box") will drastically improve the facilities at DiCaprio Park for the entire Albany County community, transforming the park into a four seasons outdoor space – something the town does not currently have. Surrounding counties currently enjoy the luxury to offer youth sports programming and community members this service. This versatile space will allow recreational youth sports leagues to extend seasons and practice opportunities. When not in use by youth sports organizations, the facility will be available to community members for recreation use along with expanding DiCaprio Park as a winter weather recreation area. This project would serve over 85,000 youth athletes in the town of Guilderland and surrounding albany county communities along with tens of thousands of county residents that want to ice skate in the county avoiding parking issues that exist with the state plaza rink.

Please explain why this program or project is needed within the County.

The synthetic turf will offer a safer space for our community to participate in athletics during in-climate weather. Studies have shown that athletes are less prone to injury when playing on turf rather than natural grass, especially when weather conditions are less than ideal. In the winter, the space can be covered with protective plastic, flooded, and frozen to provide a place for the community to ice skate and play hockey.

All funded activities must meet the objective of responding to the public health and negative economic impact of

the pandemic. Please describe how your proposal will help address this objective and assist with recovery (250 words or less).

Considering the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the ability of people to safely gather indoors, expanding the usage of DiCaprio Park will provide additional opportunities for our community members to enjoy outdoor activities – improving the health and wellness of the residents in Albany County

If an award is made, describe how Albany County stakeholders will benefit. Where possible, please use measurable outcomes to quantify impact.

If this funding was awarded this would have a positive impact on county residents. This project is set in the beautiful Albany Pine Bush surrounded by trails that are used for hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and if awarded the expansion of ice skating in the winter. This would also expand field space for the growing youth sports we are seeing throughout the county and state. Surrounding counties have expanded youth programming using similar projects forcing many Albany County residents to try to compete for usage adding additional cost to organizations and individuals. This project would allow usage without additional travel or expense.

Please describe your organization’s ability to implement the project you propose including organizational structure, staff members involved, a summary of similar initiatives you have undertaken and the date they were completed:

This project would work with the Town of Guilderland parks and recreation department to facilitate maintenance along with equity in scheduling field/ice usage. The volunteers of GYL are willing and able to assist with maintenance and construction of the project.

How will you track performance goals and define success? Include at least two key performance indicators and expected annual outcomes/impact?

If this project is awarded it will be successful upon completion. The objective is to expand field space for growing youth sports and recreation. many organizations are already leaving albany county to find field space or spending outside of their means to secure space costing residents/registrants more money for something that should be offered at little to no cost. The goal is to utilize this space year round and the only measure of success will be usage which would be achieved on day one.

Project start date:

05/01/2024

Project End date:

06/01/2024

At the top of this page is a downloadable project budget. Please download the budget form and upload it here.

- [Guilderland-Youth-Lacrosse-ARPA-Budget.pdf](#)

Use this space to provide a narrative supporting and clarify anything from the proposed project budget above. In addition, if “Other Funds” or “Other Uses” are included above, please specify the source(s) below.

The Guilderland Youth Lacrosse Organization has been fundraising specifically to help achieve this project not only for the sport of lacrosse but other sports as well. The organization has had success and have designated an account for this funding. The organization is able to help the cost of the project specifically the protective fencing that sits on top of the boards to avoid spectator injury.

Explain why ARPA funds are needed to complete the proposed program/project. Would the proposal be possible without ARPA assistance? Describe how your proposal would be impacted if you are awarded a smaller grant than requested?

ARPA funding is needed to accomplish project due to the expense. To accomplish the community benefits set forth in this application, there are specific construction needs to make sure this project can be utilized in all seasons. If ARPA funding was not available this project would likely not happen as it would take roughly 15 years to raise the capital needed. If the proposal was only partially funded we would seek the help of the town of Guilderland and continue our fundraising efforts to ensure completion.

ARPA funds must be expended by December 31, 2026. Please describe how your project will be sustained if it will continue beyond this date.

This project from start to finish would take roughly 1 month. We are not seeking any additional funding other than those needed to ensure the project completion. The funds once awarded would be expended by the end of 2024

List any project partners/subrecipients:

We have had extensive conversations with the Town of Guilderland to partner with this project. They would help administer maintenance and scheduling use of the field/ice. We have also obtained approval from the Albany Pine Bush to address any environmental concerns within its jurisdiction which they have found none.

Please list any matching funds:

The only funds outside of the award will be done by our organizations fundraising efforts at this time.

Tax Information or Additional Information

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2019

- [2019.pdf](#)

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2020

- [2020.pdf](#)

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2021

- [20211.pdf](#)

(OPTIONAL) please feel free to upload anything which you feel would strengthen your application.

- [GYL-DiCaprio-Park-Proposal.pdf](#)

Risk Assessment:

Has the organization adopted and/or implemented policies relating to: records retention, conflict of interest, code of ethics, and/or nondiscrimination policies

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

We hire an account for all tax records, we have a defined set of bylaws and extensive training regarding code of ethics and discrimination policies

Is the organization properly insured?

Yes

Does the organization have a financial management system?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

Quickbooks

Has there been any change in your organization's key staffing positions in the last 2 years?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

election of executive board. Douglas Breakell elected President

Has the organization previously done work for the Federal government (i.e. Is the entity experienced in managing Federal funds)?

No

Certifications

Acknowledgment 1

I Have Read and Understand the U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (see below link)
U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds:
<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>

Acknowledgment 2

Should the County Allocate ARPA Funds, I am Able to and Pledge to Adhere to ALL Compliance and Reporting Requirements of the U.S. Treasury as it relates to any State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Acknowledgment 3

I Understand the County Will Contact me if/when Additional Information is Needed and that Information will be Promptly Provided to the County to Support Reporting Requirements

Acknowledgment 4

If for Any Reason I am Unable to Comply with the U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Requirements I will Immediately Notify the County in writing by email or letter

Acknowledgment 5

All Information Submitted in this Application is True & Accurate

Electronic Signature Agreement

I agree
By checking the "I agree" box, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

Type name

Douglas Breakell