



State of Play - Basketball Court Refurbishment & Renovation – Grant Application Preview

All Grant Applications Must Be Submitted Online:

https://pacers.formstack.com/forms/pacers_foundation_state_of_play

Section 1: The Opportunity

Overview: The Pacers Foundation is committed to refurbishing and renovating basketball courts across Indiana through State of Play. We recognize the importance of well-maintained public spaces as a key part of community and youth development. Individual grants up to \$100,000 will be available for capital improvement projects focused on basketball court refurbishment and renovation.

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Grant Cycle: The Pacers Foundation basketball court refurbishment & renovation grant cycle will run monthly. Applicants can expect to hear a response within 60 days of applying.

Considerations for Grant Proposals: The Pacers Foundation has a commitment to empowering youth and investing in community partnerships addressing equity and justice in education, health, and safety. Important factors in evaluating proposals include:

1. The degree of public access to the court.
2. The level of activity and the presence of quality youth basketball programs and partnerships that are available at the court location.
3. The condition of the existing court and the improvements that would be needed to ensure an optimal play experience for youth and residents.
4. Demonstration of community need where the court is located.

Section 2: Use of Grant Funds & Eligibility Criteria

Indiana based 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations may submit grant requests of up to **\$100,000** for capital projects focused on an indoor or outdoor basketball court, which may include: installation/refurbishment of basketball court flooring, court resurfacing, hoops, nets, backboards, scoreboards, gym dividers, or wall/post pads.

Eligibility Criteria

1. If selected, the applicant will agree to collaborate with Pacers Sports & Entertainment. This includes but is not limited to court design.



2. Applicant organization must be based in the State of Indiana and certified as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the US Internal Revenue Code, and is not a private foundation, as defined in section 509(a) of that code.
3. Certain government entities and school districts are eligible recipients.
4. Court/facility must be in Indiana.
5. For schools to be eligible, they must demonstrate that the surrounding community has access to utilize the court and facility through existing joint-use agreements or other formal documentation.
6. Universities and colleges are not eligible to apply for funding.

Additional Considerations

1. If selected, applicants must coordinate a site visit with Pacers Sports & Entertainment staff.
2. Applicant organizations will receive priority consideration if they are a community-based organization, school district, or network of schools serving neighborhoods where most of the residents are low and moderate-income families and individuals.
3. Applicant organizations will receive priority consideration if they have an existing youth basketball program or have a plan to partner with an organization to offer youth basketball programming.
4. Applicant organizations will receive priority consideration if they have a written policy that addresses its commitment to keep youth safe from abuse (physical, sexual, & verbal) by preventing, recognizing, and responding to situations both on and off the court that in any way compromises their safety.

Section 3: Due Diligence

The Pacers Foundation may require additional documents during the review process, this may include but is not limited to:

1. IRS 501 (c) (3) determination letter
2. Current annual operating budget for the organization
3. Most recent IRS Form 990 Annual Return
4. Most recent audited financial statement (*If audited financials are not available, then the last two years of balance sheets, profit/loss statements and statement of cash flows will be required.*)
5. List of Board of Directors (*name, affiliation/occupation*)
6. Project budget for renovations/construction of the basketball court
7. Financing commitment letters from other funding sources for the project, if applicable



8. Projected three-year maintenance budget and sustainability plan to maintain court surfaces and facility improvements (How do you plan to maintain the court after the project is completed?).

Although not required at this time, you are welcome to send any of the above materials to foundation@pacers.com to be included with your application. Please include **"Pacers Foundation Basketball Court Refurbishment & Renovation Grant Application Materials"** in the subject line of the e-mail.

Section 4 – Organizational Information

1. Primary Contact – Who should we contact for follow-up questions regarding your application.
 - a. First Name
 - b. Last Name
 - c. Title or Relationship to Organization
 - d. Email
 - e. Preferred Phone
 - f. Cell or Work
2. Organization Name and Information
 - a. Street Address
 - b. City
 - c. State
 - d. Zip Code
 - e. Website
3. Do you have the legal authority to sign contracts on behalf of your organization?
 - a. Yes/No/Other
4. Which category describes your organization? *Municipal agencies and nonprofit organizations will receive priority for funding opportunities.*
 - a. 501(c)(3) Nonprofit organizations (Public Charity)
 - b. City or Municipal Agency (public schools, public parks, other city agency)
 - c. Other
 - d. Business or For-Profit Entity



5. Are you applying as an individual organization or are you partnering with another organization? *Applicants are not required to partner with a nonprofit or municipal agency.*
 - a. We are applying as an individual organization.
 - b. We are partnering* with one or more organizations to apply for funding.
 - i. If partnering with one or more partner organizations include their information (Dialogue Box)

Section 5: Community Insight

1. Has your organization previously received funding from the Pacers Foundation?
 - a. Yes/No/Other
2. How many youths (Ages 0-24) does your organization provide services to each year. *If you provide services to the same children each day, please do not multiply this number by 7 or 365. Instead, please provide the participation/year.*
 - a. Describe how you calculated the number of children in the question above.
(Dialogue Box)
3. How many residents (Ages 25+) does your organization provide services to each year? *If you provide services to the same residents each day, please do not multiply this number by 7 or 365. Instead, please provide the participation/year.*
 - a. Describe how you calculated the number of residents in the question above.
(Dialogue Box)
4. What races or ethnicities best describes the youth (Ages 0-24) who receive your services.
 - a. American Indian or Alaskan Native
 - b. Asian / Pacific Islander
 - c. Black or African American
 - d. Hispanic
 - e. White / Caucasian
 - f. Multiple Ethnicities
 - g. Other (Dialogue Box)
5. What races or ethnicities best describes the residents (Ages 25+) who receive your services.



- a. Asian (not Hispanic or Latinx)
 - b. White / Caucasian
 - c. African American/Black (not Hispanic or Latinx)
 - d. Indigenous, American Native or Alaska
 - e. Native (Not Hispanic or Latinx)
 - f. Hispanic or Latinx
 - g. Other (Dialogue Box)
6. What is the median household income of the population you provide services to at this site? *If your organization collects information on the median household income of the individuals you serve, please include. If median household income information is unavailable through your organization's data, please describe why below.*
- a. (Dialogue Box)
7. What age range does your organization provide service to at this site? Check all that apply.
- a. Under 2
 - b. 2-5
 - c. 5-12
 - d. 12-18
 - e. 18-24
 - f. 25+

Section 6: About Your Court

1. On average, how many individuals utilize (or would use) your court or space within a 365-day period?
 - a. Dialogue Box
2. What is the site address (if different from your organization address)? Where the court is or will be located. Please include street address, city, zip code, and county of where the court is located.
 - a. Dialogue Box
3. Will your proposed basketball court be open to the general public? If other, who will have access to your court? Include as much detail as possible including the hours the court will



be open, what level of access the general public will have and any particular licensing restrictions or other limitations on usage.

- a. (Dialogue Box)
4. What are the estimated dimensions of your proposed basketball court (in feet): ___X___
 - a. (Dialogue Box)
5. Will any of the intended visitors of the basketball court require specialized equipment for accessibility? *If yes, please describe the physical, visual, or auditory needs of your community members.*
 - a. (Dialogue Box)
6. Within the area of your proposed basketball court, are there any of the following? Check all that apply. *If any of these items are located within your basketball court area, include them in your site map (requested on next page).*
 - a. Trees
 - b. Fences
 - c. Buildings
 - d. Playground Equipment
 - e. Sloping Land
 - f. In-ground drains
 - g. Water features
 - h. Retaining walls
 - i. Standing water
 - j. Concrete/cement borders
 - k. Utility lines
7. Is there any major construction scheduled on or surrounding the proposed basketball court in the next 12 months? If yes, please describe it.
 - a. Dialogue Box
8. Does your organization own the land at the proposed basketball court site? *If not, who owns the land and what is the relationship (if applicable).*
 - a. Dialogue Box



9. Are there basketball courts within a half mile walking distance of your site? *If yes, please describe.*
 - a. (Dialogue Box)

Section 7: Additional Application Materials

Please note, your application is considered incomplete until we receive the materials requested below.

Site Photos

We rely on your photos to provide a clear and comprehensive view of the space where you plan to build your basketball court. If uploading pictures is not possible now, you can do so later in the process. All photos must be attached as .jpg or.png.

1. Picture 1 – Equipment
 - a. Please provide photos of any existing equipment that is on your site. Include close-up photos that show the condition of the equipment. Be sure to capture any damaged or missing pieces.
2. Picture 2 – Basketball Court Space
 - a. Please provide 4-5 images showing each side of your basketball court area to create a total 360-degree view.

Site Map

Using either pen and paper or a computer program such as Google Earth, Word, or Paint, create a simple sketch of your proposed basketball court (or renovation). Your site map should include:

1. Site Dimensions: (ex: 47' x 53')
2. Access Points: If there is a gate, stairs, or a fence surrounding the basketball court, show where it is in your drawing.
3. Physical Characteristics: Trees, fences, buildings, existing equipment, retaining walls, etc.

I understand that my application is incomplete without the additional materials mentioned above.

Yes/No/Other

Section 8: Additional Information



Is there any additional information you'd like to share with the review committee?

Dialogue Box