

# NYSBRA Grant Program

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The Mission of NYSBRA is to promote amateur bicycle racing in New York State. Specifically:

NYSBRA will also promote the sport in growing its base of participants, including the fostering and development of lesser represented categories of riders. NYSBRA will support, both financially and logistically, as many members as possible that develop programs and/or events that aid in increasing the number of USA Cycling licensed members, particularly in the advancement of lesser represented categories of riders.

NYSBRA has established this **NYSBRA Grant Program** to accomplish this mission. Organizations (i.e., USA Cycling clubs registered in New York State) and individuals (i.e., residents of New York state holding a valid USA Cycling racing license) are eligible for and may apply for NYSBRA grants by email to [grants@nysbra.com](mailto:grants@nysbra.com), subject to the guidelines below. There are three types of grants:

1. Mission Grants, for most general mission-related activities,
2. Junior Development Grants, a streamlined payment directly to Juniors who race,
3. Targeted Grants, budgeted for specific annual events in support of our mission.

## **~~1. NYSBRA~~ Mission Grant Program**

- Applications for grants in support of the NYSBRA mission must contain:
  - Purpose for the grant
  - What the benefit would be for the local area and/or statewide
  - How the grant supports the NYSBRA mission
  - Amount requested
  - How the money will be spent
  - Budget
  - Previous experience with event
  - Contact info: name, address, phone, club affiliation, e-mail address
  - Other information as applicable
- Grants will be considered for the following example activities:
  - To conduct training camps, rider skills clinics, Official's clinics, etc
  - To assist in establishing new competitive events for lesser represented categories of riders (e.g., juniors and women)
  - To defray costs of promoting NY State Championship events
  - For individual riders needing funds to participate in national or world championships
- Grants will not be considered for:
  - Personal financial gain
  - Increasing or supplementing prize lists at races or other events
  - Purchase of equipment/supplies for use by individual persons or organizations

## **~~2. NYSBRA~~ Junior Development Grant Program**

- Purpose:

- To provide assistance to NY Juniors with the goal of encouraging their development in the sport of organized cycling.
2. Benefit to NY Juniors:
    - NYSBRA will refund 1/2 of the entry fee for USA Cycling annual racing license, and USA Cycling-sanctioned events up to a \$100 per year for each eligible NY Junior.
    - NYSBRA will also consider requests for support in reputable road and track training camps and seminars as well as other events on a case-by-case basis.
    - The applicant may apply every year that they meet all eligibility criteria.
  3. Eligibility:
    - The applicant must have a valid USA Cycling Racing License with a racing age up to 18 years old.
    - The applicant must provide evidence of participation in at least five USA Cycling competitive events during the year.
    - The applicant must provide an itemized list of expenses for which he/she requests reimbursement.
    - The applicant must provide a statement from an officer of his/her club stating that the applicant has contributed to the advancement of cycling, for example, through volunteering and sportsmanship, and is deserving of NYSBRA's support.

### **3. Targeted Grant Program**

1. New Official Experience Program: NYSBRA will reimburse promoters the \$50 fee for hiring Level "C" officials with less than 3 yrs of experience. Reimbursement is up to \$50 per official, subject to prior approval by NYSBRA, does not include mileage, and is limited to 5 officials per event. The goal is to help new officials gain experience and add officials to events at no cost to the promoter. NYSBRA will budget \$5000 annually for this program.
2. NY Championship Events: NYSBRA will grant \$500 to the promoters of the five NY state championship events (Road, TT, Crit, Cross, and Juniors) to be used towards expenses related to the event such as permits, officials, timing, porta-potties, medals, etc. The goal is to improve the quality of these events and grow our championship events. NYSBRA will budget \$2500 annually for this program.
3. Collegiate Cycling Program: NYSBRA will grant \$500 to any collegiate program that promotes at least one USAC event a year to be used towards expenses related to the event such as permits, officials, timing, porta-potties, medals, etc. The goal is to improve the quality of these events and promote collegiate cycling. NYSBRA will budget \$1000 in 2011 for this program.

### **Grant Procedures**

- Submit grant applications by email to [grants@nysbra.com](mailto:grants@nysbra.com). Applicants may also submit grant applications to any member of the NYSBRA Board of Directors (normally their region's representative).
- The application is subject to approval by a majority vote of the NYSBRA Board of Directors.
- The decision of the NYSBRA Board of Directors to approve or not approve a grant is final.

- The NYSBRA treasurer will budget a fixed amount per year for each grant program. A majority of the NYSBRA Board of Directors must approve expenses beyond the budgeted amounts.
- NYSBRA may discontinue or suspend any grant program or individual grant by majority vote of the Board of Directors for any reason, such as non-availability of funds or failure of the applicant to adhere to the terms of the grant.
- Upon acceptance of mission grant (does not apply to Junior grants):
  - the applicant must show the NYSBRA logo on all literature for the event and state on the event flyer “This event supported by a grant from the New York State Bicycle Racing Association (NYSBRA)”.
  - after the event, applicant must write a short written report to NYSBRA about the event and how the mission grant helped make the event a success. Upon request, the applicant must include an itemized expense report showing how the applicant used the grant funds, with receipts provided upon request.
- Approved grants shall be paid after completion of the events and all paperwork submitted. For clinics this is the short written report (email); for races this includes post-event paperwork, fees, and submission of race results to USAC.