

## **IRONPIGS CHARITIES MISSION**

Established in 2007, before the Lehigh Valley IronPigs ever played an International League game, IronPigs Charities (IPC) was created to support educational and recreational opportunities for Lehigh Valley youth. A year-round fundraising effort is made through in-game activities and special events. IPC provides support and financial assistance to charitable organizations in the Lehigh Valley area, serving children of all abilities and of economic background. Throughout the past 18 years, IPC has donated over \$1.2 million dollars to Lehigh Valley non-profit organizations serving youth.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

IPC makes financial grants to non-profit, tax exempt 501 (c)(3) organizations in the Lehigh Valley and immediate surrounding areas. IPC will only consider requests that relate to a specific project/program and does not consider requests for general operating expenses. Grants for 2024 will be awarded in the range of \$1,000-\$10,000. Projects that encompass both youth education and youth recreation will be given greater consideration. Awardees must agree to a site visit. Upon receiving grant funds, awardees are required to dedicate 3 social media posts tagging IPC. The posts should recognize the acceptance of funds, the midway point of their project and a final post showcasing the completed project/program with either a photo or video component. Funding requests that are not consistent with IPC guidelines will not be granted including buildings, endowments, employee salaries, political campaigns and activities, religious programs, individuals, fundraising events or fraternal organizations.

## **APPLICATION TIMELINE**

Application Available Immediately

Application Deadline November 17, 2025, at 5:00 PM

Organizations Notified Mid-December 2025

Grants Awarded January 2026

The application **MUST** be kept to no more than two (2) total pages with a minimum font size of 11.

# **GRANT APPLICATION:** Non-Profit Organization: Contact Name: Job Title: Address: City: Zip: Phone: E-mail: EIN#: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Project: Total Project Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Organizational Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Requested from IronPigs Charities: \_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Provide: The organization's mission statement A brief description of the project you are seeking support for A list of goals and objectives for this project The specific use of the grant funds for this project 2. How will the project's success be measured? 3. Would IPC be the sole funder of this project (Yes or No)? If no, what additional funding have you applied for or secured? 4. What is the program timeline (with specific dates if applicable) and target completion date? 5. Describe how the project meets the IPC mission areas of Youth Education and/or Youth Recreation 6. Number of children to be served by the project \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Anticipated demographic percent: \_\_\_\_\_ Economically Disadvantaged\_\_\_\_\_ Youth with Disabilities

8. List the counties your organization serves and the geographic area that will be served by this project

9. Have you received a grant from IronPigs Charities in the past (Yes or No)? \_\_\_\_\_

## **PROJECT BUDGET:**

On a separate page (page #3), please list your expected project budget (income and expenses). Include all anticipated and actual funding and in-kind sources for the project. Do not exceed one (1) page.

### **SUPPORT MATERIALS:**

Please include copies of the following documents with your completed application. Applications submitted without these materials will be considered incomplete. All materials must be submitted in the order below.

- ✓ Copy of a valid IRS letter granting 501 (c)(3) non-profit status\*
  \*If you have previously applied for an IPC grant you do not need to re-submit your 501(c)(3) paperwork.
- ✓ Most recent Federal Tax Return 990
- ✓ Board approved organizational budget for current fiscal year
- ✓ List of Board of Directors including professional affiliation

Materials should be submitted on white 8 ½ x 11 one-sided paper and should be <u>clipped</u> together. Please no binding, staples, or double-sided printing.

Grant applications must be postmarked or delivered by **Monday, November 17, 2025, at 5:00 PM**. Applications received or postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Applications should be mailed/delivered to:

IronPigs Charities 1050 IronPigs Way Allentown, PA 18109

Applications can also be emailed directly to Matthew Bari at mbari@ironpigsbaseball.com

\*Please note: grant recipients will not be allowed to apply to be a Jersey Auction recipient for the 2024 season\*