



APT A Grant Program Guidelines

The APTA is actively looking for strong local leadership to partner up with in an attempt to increase the number of public access courts around the country. If you have a program or are strongly committed to starting a new program that could benefit from either a grant or an interest free loan, the APTA is interested in talking with you.

In order to qualify for APTA assistance, the program must be available to the general public. Types of sites that qualify would include municipalities, YMCAs, public access schools, public access charitable entities and private clubs with a low admission threshold. The Private Club must be able to prove that it has a diverse membership and the dues structure is affordable to the general public.

Potential partners must prove to the APTA that without assistance the installation of courts would likely not occur. Partners must also show that there are a significant number of players or potential players in the immediate area that will utilize the courts. A strong “sponsor” and committee of participants is an essential part of an application. Any monies extended by the APTA will only be a percentage of the total project. Financial participation by applicants is mandatory.

The APTA will evaluate proposals based on a three to five year time frame. A successful proposal must show that the applicant has a strong chance to either repay the loan or in the case of a grant to establish a strong program in a realistic time frame. Projections on court usage will be an important element. Partners will be required to receive competitive bids from at least two court manufacturers. If an applicant is unable to comply with the bid requirements, the APTA reserves the right to have the project evaluated by someone knowledgeable with court installations. The number of future APTA members generated from the project will also be considered.

If you are interested in applying for APTA assistance please contact: Peter Lauer at peterlauer1@gmail.com (202-256-1170).