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The Recreation Commission is a policy making board responsible to the Town of Wellesley for providing year-round, high quality indoor and outdoor recreation activities for children and adults. The Recreation Commission's mission: *"To increase people's enjoyment of living in Wellesley and build a deeper sense of community, as we provide recreational and educational opportunities to all Wellesley residents, regardless of age, ability & means."*

The Recreation Department produces three seasonal activity guides and maintains a web page that includes information on the financial aid program. Financial assistance is available to Wellesley residents and Wellesley Public School students for any Recreation Department sponsored program.

Requests are limited to \$200 per Wellesley resident/student per school year and subsequent summer season. Summer Camp scholarship awards follow a different process and DO NOT IMPACT the \$200/year allowance.

Application process & Eligibility:

- Create a Wellesley Recreation online account: [Wellesley Rec online](#)
 - Call Recreation office for assistance: (781) 235-2370
- Wellesley Residents living in subsidized housing automatically qualify for scholarships.
 - A copy of the subsidized housing lease showing residency & family members is required.
- Residents not living in Wellesley subsidized housing would need to complete the [Wellesley Friendly Aid application](#).
 - Wellesley Recreation partners with Wellesley Friendly Aid, who is the clearing house for the application process. Wellesley Recreation DOES NOT view any personal financial information.
- Financial assistance is determined without regard to race, sex, religion, cultural heritage, political beliefs, marital status or sexual preference of the applicant or participant.
- Applicants will need to reapply or re-submit lease for financial assistance each school year and the award amount may change based on available funds.
- Any recipient awarded financial assistance must maintain regular attendance at the program. If unable to participate, the recipient must contact the Recreation Department as soon as possible. Full payment will be required if a participant does not attend or withdraw in accordance with program guidelines.
- Application for financial aid does not assume a spot will be reserved for the participant in any program. It is the applicant's responsibility to register for the program.
- All program requirements and policies must be followed. This includes all required forms, health requirements, waivers, rules, etc.