



## *Master's Competition Assistance Grant for 2016*

**Purpose of the Master's Grant:** The Pacific Association of USATF is offering for the first time to Master's T&F competitor funding assistance grant to the 2016 USATF National Outdoor T&F Master's Champs: July 14-17 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, or the WMA Outdoor T&F Championships: Oct 26-Nov 6 in Perth, Australia. This is a pilot year, with the program to be evaluated at the Sept. BoA Meeting.

### **How is the grant administered?**

Applications are evaluated by a Pacific Association USATF grant selection committee. General responsibility for management of the grant, including all award decisions, resides with the selection committee.

### **For what purpose may the grant be used?**

To enable more PA Masters athletes to compete and win medals at National and World Championships, who otherwise would not be able to for financial reasons. Grants are intended for either travel, entry fees, or associated costs attending these meets. Grants are intended to provide only **partial** support.

### **Who is eligible?**

- A. Be a 2016 member of Pacific Association of USATF.
- B. Demonstrate they have a permanent residential address within the Pacific Association
- C. Be ranked in either/or the top five nationally, or the top 10 internationally.
- D. The applicant must
  1. Not exceed the committee's established annual personal income level of \$50,000 (from all sources)
  2. Have no history of drug-related suspensions
  3. Have competed in at least one USATF sanctioned event in Pacific Association during the past year.

### **If a grant is awarded, how much can an athlete expect to receive?**

The maximum grant amount is \$1,000 per athlete with a maximum allocated \$5,000. Primary consideration will be given to athletes in the following order: international and national ranking in event; previous national and or international championships; level of activity in the Pacific Association. Marks within the last year will receive a higher priority.

### **How does an athlete apply?**

Athletes must complete the attached application, personal essay, and include the front page of the applicant's recent federal tax return. A letter of recommendation from a coach, fellow athlete may be included, though not required. The application must be received via first class mail or email by July 10, 2016 at 8:00pm to:

Dave Shrock, 932 Stanford Ave, Modesto, CA 95350  
[president@pacific.usatf.org](mailto:president@pacific.usatf.org)

### **What should be included in the essay?**

The essay should address why you are a worthy grant recipient. In particular, you should explain:

- A. Your competitive goals for the current year.
- B. Your background in the sport, including what it means to practice, and participate in your event, mentioning past competition results.
- C. Your financial need or circumstances affecting the athlete's ability to travel to competitions.
- D. How this grant, if awarded, would "make a difference".

**Who should write the optional letter of recommendation?**

This is entirely up to the athlete though a coach, manager, or fellow teammate discussing the applicant's dedication to the sport, financial need, character, etc. The letter of recommendation must contain the name, address, and telephone number of the writer.

**When will applicants be notified?**

The selection committee meets to review the applications in mid-July. We anticipate that decisions will be finalized by 15 July. Applicants will be notified by email.

**Terms and Conditions of Grant**

An award will be paid in one installment after the completion of the competition. The awardee will receive email notification as well a letter with the amount to be awarded. The recipient must send us confirmation of your competition, and expenses for the overall event and we will send you the awarded grant amount.

The Pacific Association salutes your efforts and hard work in continuing to pursue your competitive goals. Please email any questions to Dave Shrock at [president@pacific.usatf.org](mailto:president@pacific.usatf.org), or call 209.602-4023.

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**Master's T&F Competition Assistance Grant Application Form**  
*Applications must be received by 8:00pm on July 10, 2016*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Event(s): \_\_\_\_\_ USATF Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Mark: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Completion that resulted in either top 10 Nationally or top 5 Internationally**

Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Performance \_\_\_\_\_ Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Performance \_\_\_\_\_

Result \_\_\_\_\_ Result \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Performance \_\_\_\_\_ Location of Performance \_\_\_\_\_

**International Competition:**

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Do you have a clean drug testing record with no history of drug-related suspensions?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Income & Expense (optional unless your gross income exceeds \$50,000)**

<b>Income</b>	(Previous Year) Income	(Estimated Current Year) Income
Prize money, appearance fees, commercial contracts, shoe contracts, Grand Prix, etc.	\$ _____	\$ _____
Primary employment ( <i>full or part-time</i> )	\$ _____	\$ _____
Retirement income ( <i>pension, 401K's etc</i> )	\$ _____	\$ _____
Gross Annual Income	\$ _____	\$ _____

Remember to include the front page of your 2015 Federal tax return  
*(please black out your social security number or other personal information)*

<b>Expenses</b>	(Previous Year) Expenses	(Estimated Current Year) Expenses
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Travel, transportation (competition & practice)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Coaching, therapy, massage	\$ _____	\$ _____
Equipment, uniforms, supplements	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other ( _____ )	\$ _____	\$ _____
Expense Total	\$ _____	\$ _____

**Reminder: Athlete is required to submit an essay and front page of your 2015 Federal tax return as part of this application. Applications must be complete to receive consideration.**

Application completed?       Essay completed?       front page of 2015 Federal tax return?

**Certification**

I certify that I am a U. S. citizen and that the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I am drug free and not currently the subject of an anti-doping official investigation, nor have I been sanctioned for an anti-doping violation in the past. I agree to repay the grant in full if I do not complete the terms of the grant as listed in application write-up. If asked by or on behalf of the Pacific Association of USATF Foundation, I agree to provide documentation in support of information on this form.

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**Applicant (signature)**

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**Applicant (printed name)**

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**Date**

*Submit to:*  
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 email: [president@pacific.usatf.org](mailto:president@pacific.usatf.org)