



#### STRATEGIC ROADMAP TO 2028

#### **Our Mission**

USA Track & Field drives competitive excellence and popular engagement in our sport in a safe environment for all.

#### Our Approach

Working collaboratively with our partners, we'll champion the tactics to build opportunities, participation, increase revenue and connect the sport.

#### **Our Values**

Integrity, inclusivity, leadership, respect, commitment, innovation and diverse perspective, being the gold standard in everything we do.

#### **Our Vision**

Athletes of all levels — elite, open, youth and masters, coaches; officials, volunteers in our Associations and on the field of play, fans, leadership, industry partners and media.

#### BUILD OPPORTUNITY

Create a robust, professional domestic track & field circuit with associated road races, youth events, and relays with Masters' athletes. With up to five meets and a national championships indoors. five meets and a national championships outdoors, the circuit will provide an opportunity to shine the spotlight globally on our athletes, brand, sport and culture. By providing an engaging fan experience, we'll continue to build our brand and provide entertainment for our most ardent audience. Generations of young athletes will be inspired on their journeys to gold.

Be the global gold standard at all levels as an organization

Build brand value and strengthen overall athletics culture

Connect membership, communicate our stories

Grow competitive opportunities, membership and revenue

## **GROW TO IMPACT**

Grow participation by bolstering membership at all levels from masters to youth; recruiting and certifying more officials focusing on under-represented groups; and growing our revenue. We'll expand our existing opportunities for youth into a vibrant, exciting program accessible to children who want to run, jump, throw, walk or be inspired. We'll grow our television properties to put track and field in every home, available to every laptop, tablet and mobile phone via digital and linear broadcast on a regular, predictable schedule.



## CONNECT ONE USATF

We will share extraordinary tales citing the passion and commitment of our constituents by using our digital platforms, linear television, and website. From the elite athletes who compete at the highest levels of our sport, to the 13-year-old athlete in Nevada who runs 1:08 in the 400m to the 100-year-old masters athlete in Louisiana, to the family of officials in Texas and long-time administrator in New England, their connections to our sport are real and their journeys to gold will be told. Our media partners will share stories in broadcasts. newspapers, podcasts and social platforms. Our common purpose of building lifelong and meaningful connections to the sport will be realized through deliberate and consistent communication.



#### PILLAR 1

# BUILD OPPORTUNITY

## I. Athletes

### **USATF JTG Tour** – launch outdoor season 2022 - 2028

- Professional athlete circuit
- 3-4 made-for-TV events each season
- Athlete prize money
- 2 large RunJumpThrow
- 1 coaches clinic
- 1 youth event on the track

- 1 Masters event on the track
- Capture storytelling opportunities all levels
- Extend invitations to influencers and local organizing committees to garner interest, host dinners; informational sessions
- Creation of fantasy gaming opportunity
- Explore Gaming Industry

# Measurement Approach and KPI:

- ✓ TV viewership numbers
- Increased athlete performance metrics
- ✓ Streaming unique viewers
- Community Engagement
- Stakeholder surveys
- ✓ Athlete surveys
- ✓ LOC interest in hosting

# Champions Tour - "Street Games"

- launch fall 2022 - yearly through 2028

- Indianapolis, September 17, 2022
- · Made for TV event
- Community involvement/road races
- · Fan festival atmosphere

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## Ready to Hire - Spring 2022-2028

Work with elite athletes to help them prepare for life after the sport

- Ready to Hire USATF Program
- Nike WIN + USATF Program Female athletes
- The Bell Lap

- Athlete Survey
- Company Participation
- Number of Placements

# II. Youth

## Run, Jump, Throw and be inspired...

The Hayward Field Magic Experience	JTG Tour	Youth Day Camp	Youth Scholarships	Enhance Youth Competitive Programs
Summer 2023 USATF National Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships  Summer 2024 National Youth Outdoor	RJT One market/year/ season	Beginning summer of 2023 and increase to maximum of 4 by 2024 Various US markets	Ten \$5000 scholarships per year by 2024 for college bound track and field students	1 new discipline added per year through 2024
Championship	Measurement Approach and KPI:			
	<ul> <li>✓ Increase youth participants by 25%</li> <li>✓ Stakeholder surveys</li> <li>✓ Participant surveys - all types</li> </ul>			

# **III. Elite, Youth & Masters Marketing**



## **Marketing Campaigns**

USATF owned channels to be developed and delivered with the goals of promoting awareness, registration and engagement

Elite Athlete Marketing Stipend Program enhanced

**USATF-owned** 

#### Measurement Approach and KPI:

- More elite athlete marketing opportunities
- Increased event participation
- Engagement and presence on USATF social media
- Awareness of USATF Youth & Masters programs

# IV. Coaches - 2028

USATF will be the leader in developing long-term athlete development programs (LTAD) in the U.S. with the goal of educating more parents and coaches on the importance of physical education

Develop one-day clinics for JTG Tour

Enhance existing level I, II and III training

Provide additional support for coaches of Elite Athletes: travel, equipment, access to facilities

2023 initiate study on overcoming barriers to facility usage and constraints

- Development of LTAD programs
- ✓ Increase number of one-day clinics
- Research study results
- Coaches surveys

#### PILLAR 2

# GROW TO IMPACT

# **I.** Associations

## **Grow to Impact Grants**

Designed to assist with membership growth within individual Associations through marketing and programs specific to the needs, demographics and plans for their Associations.

- 90% Association participation
- Launch 2022

#### Measurement Approach and KPI:

Association specific KPIs to be monitored via bi-monthly meetings and year-end progress to be tracked to inform collective ideas and grant requirements for the next year.

# **II. Officials**

### **Recruitment and Retention**

- Summer 2022 2028
- Dedicated Staff lead
- · Create a unified web page of recruiting resources
- · Recruit at major events
- · Create incentive programs
- · Highlight officials on USATF website and social media
- · Advertise on relevant track and running sites

- ✓ Video production and distribution clicks
- Identify and attend major events with recruitment
- Surveys
- Participant numbers increased



# **III. Masters**

## **JTG Tour participation**

Events beginning in 2023

### **Sponsor Focus**

Develop robust plan to secure - summer 2022

## **Grow to Impact Grant**

Designed to assist with membership growth within Masters Track & Field

Measurement Approach and KPI:

✓ Targets established by committee met or exceeded ✓ Increase number of sponsor opportunities

# **IV. Sanctions**

## Sanction Revenue - 2022 - 2024

- Provide additional resources to Associations and Event Organizers
- Increase Communications

## **Ancillary Revenue**

 Create and put structure in place for an Ancillary Revenue stream

Measurement Approach and KPI:

✓ Evaluate yearly
✓ Targeted percentage increase over prior year

# Increase in Number of Sanctioned Events

- Target large event organizers and new market areas
- · Increase market awareness

## **Education and Awareness**

Increased Communications

- ✓ Targets met or exceeded
- Clicks on email communications
- Surveys



# CONNECT ONE USATF

# I. World Championship 2022

All eyes on Eugene - Summer 2022

## Watch Parties - World Championships 2022

- The Armory, NYC
- Louisville, KY
- Los Angeles, CA

Measurement Approach and KPI:

- Number of participants
- Surveys





# **II. Quarterly Newsletter**

2022 - 2028

## **USATF Corner**

A quarterly member & fan newsletter will be launched to deliver updates (On your Marks with Max), original content (Tips & Tricks), storytelling about our members and to connect readers to event updates and ways to get involved in USATF

- Quarterly
- Unsubscribes
- Open rates
- Link clicks
- ✓ New newsletter subscribers



# **III. Content**

## Development of innovative ways to gather and share

- Youth reporters content at their events...peer to peer
- Elite athlete content at their events...peer to peer
- Agency Work World Athletics collaboration

#### Measurement Approach and KPI:

- Creation of new content
- ✓ Distribution on multiple channels
- Social followers

# IV. Technology

2022 - 2024

- Members 360-degree view of their relationship with USATF and trustworthy source of information on the USATF website
- Event and race results enhancements
- Customer Service implement new technology
- Staff new technology to create flexible and secure work environment with continued focus on cyber security awareness

#### Measurement Approach and KPI:

- Customer Service Dashboard stats
- ✓ Total unresolved tickets
- Surveys

# V. Stakeholder round tables

Quarterly meetings to discuss challenges facing the sport

- Transgender
- · Clean Sport
- Access to Facilities

- ✓ White papers
- Increased testing
- Increased access to facilities

