

# Tennessee Tennis Patrons Foundation

2017 Programs and Achievements

## Foundation Doubles Grants & Assistance in 2017

During 2017, the foundation provided financial assistance to five junior players with their tournament expenses, including Nicole Christiansen, Ensley Cate Collins, Leo Nedkov, Reagan Welch, and Takuma Walter.

The foundation helped to fund professional tournaments Memphis Open (an ATP 250 event) and the Knoxville Challenger (a USTA Pro Circuit event which partners with the Helen Ross McNabb Center to raise funds for an important Knoxville charity).

The foundation awarded grants to the two USTA TN Junior Qualifying tournaments in Chattanooga and Murfreesboro.

Through matching grants, the foundation provided community grants to schools in Greene County, Knox County (Fulton High School and Pond Gap Elementary School), and Williamson County to help local public schools add tennis to their PE curriculum.

The foundation assisted Junior Team Tennis teams from Hendersonville and Knoxville advance to the national championships. The foundation subsidized the Tennessee Southern Junior Cup Team.

In sum, we doubled our assistance from 2016 and far exceeded any prior year's awards.



## Congratulations

**to Peter van Lingen and Cindy Kemp Battle  
Tennessee Tennis Hall of Fame Class of 2018**

Tennessee Tennis Patrons Foundation

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### Junior Camp Scholarships—New in 2018!

The foundation will fund two Tennessee juniors to attend a weeklong residential tennis camp at Sewanee, to encourage participation in the USTA tournament structure. This is a great way for coaches and providers to encourage talented players (new & advanced) to pursue competitive tennis. The deadline to apply is **March 15, 2018**. Criteria for selection are similar to the Junior Player Assistance (below).

The online infosheet & application is short, simple, and completely online & can be accessed by clicking here or by copying and pasting the following URL:

<http://form.jotform.com/80284924022149>

### Public Facility Grants - New in 2018!

The foundation will award one-time grants of \$1,000 to build new or upgrade existing public tennis courts and facilities in Tennessee, to address the shortage of public tennis courts and support the growth of tennis. The grants will serve as seed money for fundraising programs and act as a catalyst for communities. CTAs, public schools, school systems, colleges, universities, parks & rec departments, and nonprofits are encouraged to apply.

The grant infosheet and application are short, simple, and completely online and can be accessed by clicking here or by copying and pasting the following URL:

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### Junior Player Assistance

The foundation provides awards of \$500 each to junior players to encourage athletes who compete in the USTA tournament structure. The application is online and will be considered within 30 days after submission. Criteria for selection:

- Family income must be \$99,000 or less
- Good sportsmanship
- Participate in Tennessee & Southern team events and in Tennessee Qualifer events
- 100% commitment to the junior competitive tournament structure
- Participate in publicity and recognition
- Open to athletes in the 18, 16, 14, and 12 & Under Age Divisions
- Southern Ranking of Top 500
- Acceptable expenses include fuel, hotel, and meals & tournament entry fees

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<http://form.jotform.us/form/51502849348157>

### Programs, Events, and Projects

The foundation provides grants of \$500 to Community Tennis Associations, schools, community centers, foundations, and similar groups to promote the growth and development of tennis, particularly among underserved populations. The application is online and a decision will be made within 60 days after submission. Guidelines for selection:

- One-page proposal, one-page budget, and two-page accountability report are required
- Prefer submissions made by a CTA, school, school system, community center, or nonprofit organization which leverages other funding sources
- Prefer projects which introduce sport to new or underserved populations in Tennessee
- Promotion of inclusion and diversity a key criterion
- Enhances opportunities for Tennessee youth to pursue collegiate play career

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The foundation promotes the growth and development of tennis in Tennessee, maintains the Tennessee Tennis Hall of Fame, and serves as a link between Tennessee, the other eight states in the USTA Southern section, and community tennis associations in Tennessee. It is governed by a volunteer board of directors and assisted by volunteers across the state. The foundation is an organizational member of the USTA.