

2025 Junior Financial Assistance (JFA) Fact Sheet

<p>Grant Description</p>	<p>The Southern Tennis Foundation offers need-based reimbursement assistance to Southern junior players who participate in USTA and ATA National tennis tournaments. Support is provided based on 3 qualifying categories to help a player with travel expenses and/or tournament entry fees.</p>
<p>Reimbursement Categories</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category I - Southern junior players ranked in Southern's top 100 can be reimbursed for up to a maximum of \$6500 per year. Distribution of funds is based on the number of applicants and on a first come first served basis. • Category II - Southern junior players ranked between 101 & 200 can be reimbursed for tournament entry fees at \$75/tournament up to \$750 annually. • Category III - <u>NOTE: This category applies to NJTL players only!</u> Unranked and entry level Southern NJTL players can be reimbursed for tournament entry fees at \$75/tournament up to \$375 annually.
<p>Eligibility</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A player must be between the ages 12-18 at the time of application • Family income must be \$100,000 or less for 1 eligible junior, or \$120,000 for 2 or more eligible juniors. • A Federal Tax Return from the prior year must be uploaded to the application for income verification. If the prior year is not available, the previous year Tax Return may be accepted. • A player as well as their parent/guardian with more than 2 suspensions (code of conduct) points are not eligible • A player must be a US citizen and a resident of the USTA Southern Section
<p>Guidelines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are reviewed when received. Upon approval, a link to submit receipts for reimbursements will be emailed directly to the player's parent. • If a player does not qualify for any of the 3 categories described above, please contact the local State Foundation for further assistance. • Qualifying expenses include tournament entry fees, and reasonable costs for hotel, airfare, car rental, and gas/mileage. If submitting for mileage, it cannot exceed reasonable airfare costs nor can gas receipts be submitted).

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<p>When to Apply</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The JFA application is open and is a 2-part process for all three categories. • Category I <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Application Process: Submit an application by September 30, 2025, for approval to receive funding using the link below. ◦ Reimbursement process: Approved applicants will receive a link to submit reimbursable expense receipts <u>periodically</u> in approximate increments of \$1000-\$1500 until potential maximum award is reached. • Category II & III <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Application Process: Submit an application by September 30, 2025, for approval to receive funding using the link below. ◦ Reimbursement process: Approved applicants will receive a link to submit reimbursable expense receipts approximately <u>every 2-3 months</u> until maximum award is reached. • For year-end reporting purposes, submit all final receipts for all categories by December 10, 2025.
<p>How to Apply</p>	<p>Use this link to apply: Application Link</p>
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