

**APPLE VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY  
Adopted June 11, 2008**

1. All families requesting Financial Assistance must complete the Financial Aid application. Incomplete Applications will be returned.
2. Applicants may apply for: (a) full assistance, (b) partial assistance or (c) payment plan.
3. As part of its annual budget, AVHA will allocate 10% of the profits received from our AVHA Gambling efforts the previous season to the Financial Assistance Fund. The total amount of Assistance that is awarded to all families cannot exceed the amount budgeted.
4. Financial Assistance is designed to help families get through periods of financial stress. It is not designed as an annual subsidy and is limited to 2 years per skater.
5. Preference will be given to those applicants whose families qualify for public assistance programs such as school lunch subsidies, medical assistance and unemployment insurance.
6. Financial Assistance will be provided to cover AVHA Registration fees and team ice bills. Incidental team expenses will not be covered through Financial Assistance.
7. Families receiving Assistance will be required to provide volunteer hours to AVHA either by working at Concessions, Tournaments, or other duties specified by the Executive Committee of the AVHA. The number of required volunteer hours will be formally documented between the family and the AVHA. These volunteer hours will be in addition to the team assigned volunteer hours and the five (5) hours per family volunteer requirement.
8. Financial Assistance applicants are required to meet with the President and Treasurer of the Board of Directors to review their application. All information is kept confidential between them.
9. Families who do not fulfill their Financial Assistance obligation (as specified and documented by the AVHA) will not be eligible for aid in subsequent years.