



Goose Creek United Soccer Club

Goose Creek United Soccer 2011 Gifts and Scholarships

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Dear Prospective Sponsor:

Goose Creek United Soccer Club (GCU) is a volunteer-based, non-profit organization that strives to provide a quality instructional and educational soccer program for the children in our club. We are committed to providing well-trained coaches and safe facilities. Above all else, GCU is committed to the spirit of good sportsmanship and expects the same from all our players, coaches, parents and fans.

We offer academy and classic level soccer to boys and girls ranging in age from 8 to 17 for the Fall season and 8 to 13 for the Spring season (ages as of August 1st). There are no residency restrictions. Regular season recreational games are typically played on Saturdays against other local area teams (e.g., Summerville, James Island, Charleston, Mt. Pleasant, etc.). The Fall season runs from late August through early November and the Spring season runs from early February through mid-April. Teams strive to participate in as many local and regional tournaments as possible.

As with many sports organizations, one of our greatest challenges is keeping costs down so that we can make our club available to as many children as possible (ages 8-17). We are striving for a program that is not only fun, but also provides an opportunity for young soccer players to develop their skills and compete at a higher level. Our commitment is to instill the values of sportsmanship and physical fitness in our players while they develop self-discipline, teamwork and friendships.

We are counting on our local business community to enrich this program. We believe our sponsorship program is a valuable marketing outlet for our local business community; it is also an effective means to maintain and improve the quality of the Goose Creek United Soccer Club. Your partnership dollars will help with the cost of field usage and maintenance, purchase needed equipment and provide scholarships for willing and able players facing financial obstacles.

There are several ways a business can help our club; player scholarships/gifts, team level sponsorships, and club level scholarships. GCU is a 501(c)3 organization and your donation is tax deductible. Businesses may choose to have recognition for their donation; this can be discussed with the sponsorship chair and is subject to approval by the GCU Board. Here are the current recognition guidelines:

Donations of at least \$100:

- Recognition on the GCU website

Donations between \$101 and \$250

- All benefits of \$100 level
- Link to company website (provide electronic form of logo)

Donations between \$251 and \$500

- All benefits of \$101-\$250 level
- Recognition on season banner to be prominently displayed at home matches (may display own corporate banner, pending approval by GCU Board)

Donations > \$501

- All benefits of \$251-\$500 level
- If desired, additional form(s) of recognition can be negotiated

Thank you for your time and consideration.