The City of SAN DIEGO
Parks and Recreation Department

FEE WAIVER PROGRAM

Did you know the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department offers reduced activity fees for income-qualified participants? The goal of the fee waiver program is to minimize financial barriers for low-income residents to participate in recreation and aquatic programs.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Discounted or free recreation, aquatic and dance programs for income-qualified participants.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Those with a demonstrated financial need who live full-time in the City of San Diego.

HOW CAN YOU APPLY?

Complete the attached Fee Waiver Application, schedule an appointment with a recreation or pool supervisor, and bring your supporting documents.

WHAT KIND OF DOCUMENTATION IS NEEDED?

In addition to the Application the following documentation is required:

- Valid State or Federal Government Issued ID (must be 18 years or older)
- Proof of Income – most recent tax returns; social security award letter; social security proof of income letter; or Medi-Cal or Cal-Fresh card
- Proof of Residency – current utility bill; rental/lease agreement with current month rent receipt; current checking statement; active duty or retired military card; or current property tax statement

WHEN WILL I KNOW IF I AM ACCEPTED?

Eligibility will be determined and verified at the time of your Application appointment. Submittal of an Application is not confirmation of fee assistance or course registration. Inquiries about your fee waiver Application or program registration should be directed to the recreation center or pool where you submitted the forms.

HOW LONG CAN I USE THE ASSISTANCE IF I AM APPROVED?

The fee waiver is good for the duration of the calendar year in which the application was approved. You must reapply every calendar year.

WHAT STEPS DO I TAKE AFTER I AM APPROVED?

1. You will be notified at the time of your Application appointment if you are qualified.
    a. Receiving an approved Application does not register you for a program.
    b. Some of our programs are NOT eligible for a fee waiver.
    c. If a program is not fee waiver eligible you are required to pay for the full cost of the program.
2. Applicant is required to enroll for programs in person at the recreation center or pool and must present a copy of the approved Application to receive reduced fees.
3. Approved Applications will be honored at any City of San Diego recreation center or pool facility for fee waiver eligible programs.
4. Applicant must present a copy of the approved Application at time of registration throughout the calendar year for each qualified household member.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

If accepted into the Fee Waiver Program, you will need to pay the discounted fee at time of registration of activity, if a fee is applicable. If for any reason your account becomes delinquent your fee assistance will be forfeited.

WILL ALL OF MY INFORMATION BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?

All information submitted to the Fee Waiver Program for the purpose of eligibility determination is confidential and income verification documents are not retained by the City.

For a full list of recreation and aquatic facilities visit www.sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation

For a full is list of our current programs visit www.sdrecconnect.com

NEED TO TALK TO US? ASSISTANCE? CONTACT YOUR LOCAL RECREATION OR POOL FACILITY
https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/centers

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2027 FEE WAIVER APPLICATION

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL FIELDS

Applying for: ☐ **Self only** ☐ **Household** ☐ **Children under 18 only**

Head of Household _____ Date of Birth_____ Gender _____

Address _____

Phone_____ Email _____

Additional household members applying for benefits

	Name	Date of Birth	Relationship	Gender	Grade
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

To be eligible for fee waiver your annual gross income must not exceed the value for your family size

Check to indicate how you qualify	FAMILY SIZE	Annual Gross Income not more than	Check to indicate how you qualify	FAMILY SIZE	Annual Gross Income not more than
☐	1	$24,251	☐	4	$67,327
☐	2	$39,727	☐	5	$79,454
☐	3	$54,544	☐	6	$92,925

For larger families, add $13,471 per additional member. *2026 Lower Income Standard Income Levels

VERIFICATION

Income (select one)

- ☐ Most Recent Tax Return
- ☐ Social Security Award/Benefit Letter or Proof of Income Letter
- ☐ Medi-Cal or Cal-Fresh Card

AND Address (select one)

- ☐ Current Utility Bill in Your Name
- ☐ Rental/Lease Agreement & Current Month Rent Receipt
- ☐ Current Checking Statement
- ☐ Active Duty or Retired Military Card
- ☐ Current Property Tax Statement

AND Identification

- ☐ State or Federal Government issued ID (applicants 18 + must provide)

I hereby certify that my family's income falls under the category checked, and I reside in the City of San Diego.

_____ _____

Applicant Signature *(Required)* **Date**

OFFICAL USE ONLY

Date received: _____ Site:_____ Waiver Expiration:_____

Income verified: Yes or No Address verified: Yes or No ID verified: Yes or No

Approve by:_____ Signature:_____ Date:_____