

Financial Assistance for Recreational Activities for Novato Youth: After-School and Summer Programs

- NovatoSpirit, a 501c3 nonprofit, offers scholarships for after-school athletics to extremely low-income youth, ages 7-18, who live in Novato. Activities are karate, tae kwon do, dance and soccer. For more information, please visit www.novatospirit.org or contact Executive Director Marian Schinske at (415) 892-5118 and marianschinske@gmail.com
- The Novato Youth Soccer Association (NYSA) offers financial assistance for soccer through their "Owen Walsh Player Assistance Program." You can find out more about this program by looking at the NYSA website www.nysanews.org and/or by calling their main phone number (415) 497-5233. Their mailing address is: NYSA, P.O. Box 1046, Novato, CA 94948.
- Novato Youth Football and Cheer offers scholarships to eligible youth to play football. For more information, please visit www.novatoyouthfootball.com or contact Rachael Hall, registration, rrshall1@comcast.net. You can also contact Board President Ahmad Anderson at (510) 388-3093 and ahmad8233@gmail.com
- City of Novato Parks, Recreation, and Community Services offers financial assistance for a large variety of after-school recreational programs, cultural activities, and summer programs. This financial assistance is awarded on the basis of financial need. Their phone number is (415) 899-8200.
- The Marin YMCA Financial Assistance Program is offered to families on the basis of financial need for a variety of recreational activities in Novato and San Rafael, during the school year and in the summer. Applications are available at the YMCA office: 1500 Los Gamos Drive, San Rafael, 94903. Their phone number is: (415) 446-2113 or 492-9622.
- Trips for Kids is a nonprofit that offers free bikes and free day-trip bike rides in Marin for youth ages 10-18 who are enrolled in their "Earn a Bike" program in San Rafael. They provide all biking and safety equipment. For more information, please visit www.tripsforkids.org or call (415) 455-8876. Their email address is info@tripsforkids.org
- Point Reyes Summer Camp, located in the beautiful Point Reyes National Seashore in Marin, provides scholarships for 3 different camps for youth ages 7-18. Activities include tidepooling, hiking, bird watching, and exploring mudflats. For more information, please visit www.ptreyes.org or call (415) 663-1200 x 306. Their email address is summercamp@ptreyes.org

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