SUMMER TRACK PROGRAM

2011 Community Partner Information

World Sport Chicago's Summer Track and Field Program is a free and introductory program available to Chicago boys and girls ages 6 through 14. The program is designed to provide basic experience in the sport as well as community-based programming to keep kids active and engaged during the summer. Coaches and parent volunteers work with youth two to four times a week at practices and attend four meets throughout the season sponsored by World Sport Chicago, the Friends of Track and Field and USA Track and Field—Illinois.

The first and second year of the Summer Track program was structured as an aldermanic ward-based initiative representing many of Chicago's communities. This year we hope to broaden the scope and reach of the program by inviting any community-based organization to become a program partner and field a team. Please review this brief handout on the basic requirements and benefits to partner organizations. If you are interested in learning more and would like us to send you a detailed partner packet please fill out the attached form and return it to World Sport Chicago at your earliest convenience.

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World Sport Chicago will be able to sponsor up to 30 teams in the 2011 season. World Sport Chicago will partner with the Friends of Track and Field and USA Track and Field—Illinois to deliver up to two practice meets, one city-wide qualifier and one championship meet throughout the summer. With the support of World Sport Chicago, partner organizations will be responsible for the day-to-day management of their team and team practices.

Partner Requirements:

- Maintain a roster of at least fifteen (15) athletes ages 6—14 to practices and meets. Teams should be introductory in nature and must be open regardless of race, gender, and physical or visual ability.
- Provide one or more coaches to work with the team throughout the summer. Coaches should have experience working with this age group and are subject to a background screening.
- Secure a practice location. WSC will provide support in working with the Chicago Public Schools and the Chicago Park District if needed.
- Have a place, phone number and/or email address where parents can register for your team.
- Be a registered business or organization in the city of Chicago.
- Attend all scheduled meets.

World Sport Chicago will:

- Provide basic equipment (batons, softballs, stop watches, measuring tape, etc) for practices.
- Provide school bus transportation for the team to and from meets.
- Provide additional specialist support for athletes with physical or visual disabilities.
- Provide secondary accident insurance for all athletes and coaches.
- Manage administration and volunteer staff to run meets.
- Provide a $600 grant to each partner organization to cover coaching and administrative expenses at the end of the summer.

If you are interested in learning more and would like us to send you a full detailed partner packet, please fill out the info below and return to us via email at track@worldsportchicago.org or fax to (312) 861-4801.

Community Organization Name: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____