



2025 Sister Carol Crosson Endowment Foundation Grant Application

2025 Priorities: Travel for American Sokol participants 18 years of age or younger to ASO Chicago Slet; Chicago Instructors School; and, St. Louis National Camp.

2025 Total Budget available \$5,000

This grant is made available through an Endowment set up on behalf of Sister Carol Crosson and administrated through the ASO Foundation and is meant for American Sokol traveling youth participants ONLY. This application is for those youth traveling by air to compete, drill, be schooled at the Chicago Prague Slet ONLY arriving June 25 through June 29, 2025; Chicago Instructors School (following the Slet and in Chicago); and National Camp (St. Louis) June 23-29, 2025.

Foundation Committee Application Deadline is Sunday **May 15, 2025**

Email application in "Word" to: foundation@americansokol.org

Instructions

NOTE: ALL lines/questions must be filled out. A narrative cover letter can be useful to describe participants' intentions. American Sokol Foundation does not guarantee the budget approval by the executive board of subsequent years. Approvals are done on an annual basis.

Examples of Eligible Expenses for Sister Carol Crosson Endowment Foundation Grants:

Grants from this fund are meant for American Sokol youth students (ONLY) up to and including the age of 18 years of age who are participating in competition or performing in a calisthenics routine on the field at the Chicago Slet in 2025 or Chicago Instructors School with a certificate of completion and/or participating in the St. Louis National Camp. (See Standard Operating Procedure II. B. 5. h. on ASO Travel.)

- Youth traveling expenses up to 50% **for airfare only** to training/performance/tournament/competition directly from home base. Indicate all air flights, and costs. (Air Meal costs, transportation to airport and seat upgrades and baggage are not covered.) Evidence of when purchased, copies of ticket costs, tickets issued, etc. will be required for proof of use by the participant.
- Youth Participant registration expense copy showing participation **MUST** come with final report and **copy of final certificate of completion if appropriate and/or picture of participation.**
NOTE: This is a uniquely structured award. The award recommendations from the Foundation Committee and Sister Carol Crosson herself goes to the Executive Board in May for approval. Please expect a return email indicating that the Foundation has received a copy of the application. The Foundation will notify the unit about the award in early June. The unit distributes the award to the participant. A check will be cut from the Edward Jones fund and sent directly to the unit after verification of the expenses/participation of all events (August 15, 2025). Receipts/Final report on the expenses are expected 30 days after the end of the program (dates cited). Should a participant not attend due to illness, poor behavior or the like, they will be automatically removed from the grant amount.

SOKOL UNIT AND CORPORATE INFORMATION

The grants are not for salaries, taxes, car transportation/parking, insurance, soft goods, or similar items.

Grant Preparation Date: _____

Grant Preparer/Board of Instructor with title: _____

1. **Name of 501C3 corporation as listed on the Federal or State Incorporation documents; Federal ID (FEIN)#; And/or tax form 990 Applicant Corporation:**

2. **If appropriate, "Doing Business As" name:** _____

3. **FEIN #** _____

4. **Select:**

The non-profit corporation's FEIN number was independently filed.

FEIN number is current or is under the American Sokol "Umbrella" corporation listing. This then assumes Federal/State taxes are filed annually.

5. **List where and when the corporation was established and location if different than above:**

6. **Contact Information. Please provide the complete address and location, phone number, website address, and building e-mail address if appropriate (i.e. address utilized on Form 990 for annual tax filing):** _____

7. **Identification of President and or Director(s) and grant writer with title if different. Provide home addresses, phone, and e-mail info:**

8. **American Sokol units, please indicate the date, amount and status of your last membership payment and youth membership payment:**

(Note: Most of these questions are the same as those presented for the 2025 Foundation grants, so please refer to what the unit has already established for information.)

EXPLANATION OF REQUEST

Please write detailed responses for the following instructions

- 1. List the name of youth(s) and the purpose of attending each event. Include at least one measurable goal. **Need to have at least one goal clearly identified for the grant/per American Sokol youth to be considered. Remember to attach the individual applications(s) of each participant applying.****

- 2. State the budget in sending these American Sokol youths, detailing specific budget items and include copies of documentation from estimates/costs. If available, attach your budget showing the detailed costs and totals.**

- 3. What is the time frame? Include steps in procurement/purchase, etc. Please note that the time frame for completion of use of award and final report is 20 days after the conclusion.**

- 4. Where will the grant project take place? Explain if at corporation building, another location, or? Please give dates, addresses, and locations.**

- 5. Did this travel receive or is the corporation awaiting a determination for a financial grant money/major donor money in 2022-2024 and if so, approximate amounts and describe what portion of the project was/would be financed. If more than \$500 was given by an American Sokol member, please list.**

- 6. Did this travel receive any previous awards from the American Sokol (discounts, etc.)? Please list the award amount. NOTE: This is a standard question, but 2024 is the first year of this offering and previous years the American Sokol participant may have received Unit and/or District monetary assistance.**

- 7. List the detailed amount of funds to be donated toward the travel from all other sources. List sources of funds, including loans, and the dollar amounts expected to be received for the project and/or items to be purchased.**

- 8. Please indicate any matching grant from other entities such as the Federal Government, State Government, other not-for-profits, local entities, etc. with possible contribution expected. Also indicate if you have applied for foreign grants such as from the Ministry on Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic. Indicate budget ask of the organization and expected award decision listing each separately and to which Czech/American consulate this has been presented.**

UNIT'S UNDERSTANDING OF RULES FOR THE AMERICAN SOKOL

2025 Sister Carol Crosson Endowment Foundation

GRANT APPLICATION:

The applicant and their Unit/District understand that all the following conditions may exist when applying and/or when being awarded the grant money. Please initial.

_____ The applicant agrees that all information supplied is true and accurate.

_____ **The completed grant application has been presented to the unit for approval to request grant for stated travel purchases.**

_____ If application is denied, an explanation will be supplied by the American Sokol Foundation Committee regarding the reason(s).

_____ If the application is accepted, a Document of Agreement will be supplied by the American Sokol Foundation Committee to be signed by the unit on behalf of the participant(s) and returned before any award money is received or any announcement made about the acceptance.

_____ Acknowledgement of the monies received is required to foundation@americansokol.org.

_____ Acknowledgement of Grant approval through Publication, letter and/or electronic means to unit membership is required and a copy of the document sent to the American Sokol Foundation by August 15, 2025, and would come in with a detailed Status Report to foundation@americansokol.org.

_____ If the applicant is unable to complete or initiate the project as described, a portion or full amount may be requested to be returned to the American Sokol Foundation.

_____ A written final report is required upon completion or by September 1, 2025, date given in the Document of Agreement. This includes but is not limited to the Financial Report, Outcome Report, and Impact Report showing all expenses with documentation and if appropriate donations made, a copy of this record.

_____ In compliance with the American Sokol Foundation Committee's obligations, the tracking, status, and reporting of all grant money awarded is expected to be submitted to the American Sokol Executive Board in the Foundation's monthly report.

_____ Reporting of Grant Programs (in general) will be submitted by the American Sokol Foundation Committee to the American Sokol Publications.

_____ Any breach of the Document of Agreement could result in full repayment of the grant money awarded.

Signature of Unit President _____

Printed Name of Unit President _____

Date _____ Number of applicants attached: _____ Total Costs of Application \$ _____

Thank you for applying. The Foundation Director will respond via email upon receipt of the award application.
Good Luck. Na Zdar!

Please email completed grant form to the Foundation Committee's attention to foundation@americansokol.org by June 1, 2025, or by mail arriving prior to June 1, 2025 to the American Sokol Foundation, 9126 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513, and confirm mailing by sending an email to foundation@americansokol.org. At a 2025 Foundation Committee meeting all applications will be reviewed and a recommendation sent to the Executive Board of the American Sokol for their approval. Once approved a congratulatory email will be sent with an Agreement Form to fill out. Within 20 days of participation a final report needs to be submitted with receipts, etc. to foundation@americansokol.org.