



BBC Grant Program

The Buffalo Bicycling Club is dedicated to the promotion and development of road racing in Western New York. The BBC hosts a multitude bicycle training events and USA Cycling sanctioned events throughout New York's Buffalo - Niagara region from April through September. Our calendar includes road courses, time trials, criteriums, and challenging training rides. Enthusiastic men, women and juniors are encouraged to join and take part in our events. Check out our training events calendar and the rest of our site to find more about cycling in and around the Buffalo-Niagara region.

The Officers (Robert Johnson, Tim Williams & Bruce Haydon), will evaluate every grant application on its merits to decide if it is a responsible use of BBC finances. All applicants must be full members of the BBC and must have the BBC on their USAC license. Those asking for a grant may be an individual or as a team collective. The main mission of the grant program is to give greater exposure and expand BBC presence on both a local level and throughout New York State. Those that will take priority are those riders in need of help, most notable juniors and those we are in need of financial help to help them realize their potential in races throughout the Northeast. Male riders 40 years of age and up per their USAC license will be **exempt** from consideration. Factors considered include the following: Factors considered include the following:

1. Purpose?

- Rider clinic, travel to a USAC event, etc.
- How does the grant support the mission of BBC?

2. Who benefits?

- Is it targeted for a specific person, group such as women/juniors, or open to all?
- If the grant is to benefit a specific person, what is their track record as a rider or organizer, as applicable?
- If for a group, how many people are expected to benefit? The larger the potential group of beneficiaries.
- If for an open targeted group, how is it open to all in the target group (e.g., all women or all juniors)? How will it be advertised?
- If for a closed targeted group, how is the group selected? The selection method must be clear, fair and open. How will it be advertised?

3. How much is requested?

4. How will funds be used?

- The budget should reflect reasonable expenses with a sound plan. It should not simply benefit an individual or club account.

5. Are the expenses shared?

- Grants that reimburse some but not all expenses, 50/50 split for example, show the requestor's commitment.

6. Does the grant and rider qualify in all other regards?

- Is all essential information on the application?

- If for junior racers, do the individuals meet basic criteria; e.g., race at least 5 (BBC and or USAC) times per season, hold a current license, active over long term, have recommendation of their ; etc.

The BBC Grant Program is under budgetary constraints so in order to help those the most and use the monies for the benefit of the rider or team and the BBC realize a greater potential.

Grant applications can be sent treasurer@buffalobicycling.com