## CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT

# **Funding Ideas**

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- Schedule a nonprofit specialist to work with your leadership team at a board/committee retreat, training, or planning meeting.
- Send leadership team members, staff, and/or volunteers to USTA sectional and regional meetings or other educational opportunities.
- o Create and implement volunteer recruitment and training programs.

#### **MARKETING**

- Develop a marketing initiative to connect area players with your CTA and/or NJTL.
- Promote your organization to the greater community with advertisements, brochures, promo items, etc.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

o Create or improve your newsletters, e-blasts, social media presence, etc.

#### **PARTNERSHIPS**

- Create partnerships with service organizations, PARDs, area pros, colleges and universities,
   Chamber of Commerce, Sports Commission, Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCAs, etc.
- How can you build a deeper and stronger relationship with these organizations?

#### **ADVOCACY**

 Create a tennis advocacy team to address community tennis needs, such as new facilities, restoring courts, tennis growth, the benefits for local residents, etc.

### ADMINISTRATION AND TECHNOLOGY

 Implement new technology to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and productivity of your organization, such as a new donor database management software or subscription-based communication tool.

Often Funded	Sometimes Funded	Never Funded
<ul> <li>Attending workshops and conferences designed for CTA board and staff</li> <li>Attend other CTA board meetings</li> <li>Team building activities for board and staff</li> <li>Town Hall meetings for community leaders and organizations</li> <li>Volunteer events and appreciation</li> <li>Professional Services fees for nonprofit organizations (e.g., taxes, legal)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communication tools (e.g., Webmaster)</li> <li>Kick-off events for upcoming programs</li> <li>Registration fees for attendance at local festivals and events to promote tennis and the organization</li> <li>Marketing needs for programs and fundraising opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>On-court teaching stipends</li> <li>Programming initiatives</li> <li>Supplemental aids and on-court equipment (e.g., ball machines, traditional tennis nets, windscreens, spots, cones, ball hoppers)</li> <li>Umpire Chair costs at events and tournaments</li> <li>Live music and entertainment (e.g., DJ)</li> <li>1-day events with no plan for ongoing play opportunities for all participants</li> <li>Facility infrastructure costs</li> </ul>