



Dear Applicant:

The Atlanta Braves Foundation actively supports community organizations and their programs within the metro Atlanta area. Since its inception in 1992, the Atlanta Braves Foundation has provided support to thousands of metro Atlanta based organizations and has annually contributed more than \$1 million in financial and in-kind assistance to the community.

Youth development, sports, and particularly baseball and softball are significant areas of interest to the foundation. Therefore, the Atlanta Braves Foundation has introduced a category of funding specific to youth baseball and softball called the “Pinch Hitter” Fund.

We realize that the need for assistance throughout metro Atlanta is great and we want to do our part to promote interest and participation in the game of baseball and softball among youth.

The “Pinch Hitter” Fund has been established to alleviate unforeseen expenses and help organizations in dire need by providing relief for lost or stolen equipment, damaged facilities or for uniform and equipment shortages.

A panel of Braves Foundation Board of Directors, the Executive Director of the Braves Foundation and the Community Affairs Department will review grant applications. The number of organizations funded by the Braves Foundation will depend upon the quantity and quality of grant requests received, as well as the success of fundraising efforts by the Atlanta Braves Foundation. Support may be provided in the form of financial or in-kind assistance based upon the recommendation of the Braves Foundation board.

Pinch Hitter applications will be reviewed on a quarterly basis during the calendar year.

We hope that we can assist you in your efforts to enhance your youth baseball and softball program. If you have any questions, please contact me at 404-614-1539.

Regards,

Ericka Newsome  
Executive Director



**PINCH HITTER FUND APPLICATION**

The “Pinch Hitter” Fund is intended to provide relief to a youth baseball/softball entity that has encountered unforeseen expenses or has dire needs. More specifically, the fund has been established to provide relief for lost or stolen equipment, damaged facilities, uniform or equipment shortage, etc. Support may be provided in the form of financial or in-kind assistance based upon the recommendation of the Braves Foundation board. Pinch Hitter Fund applications will be reviewed quarterly during the calendar year. The contact person listed below will be notified in writing as to the status of the application.

Applicant Program/Organization:

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-profit status and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1. This grant request is for the following purpose: (check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ Field/Facility Improvements      \_\_\_\_\_ Equipment      \_\_\_\_\_ Uniforms

\_\_\_\_\_ Other

2. Please provide a brief description of your needs and reason for the request: (stolen equipment, damaged facilities, limited funds, etc.)

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3. Organizational background: Provide a brief description of your organization/league and describe the constituency it serves (age levels?). Include any partnering entities and their roles.

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4. Approximately how many children will benefit from the usage of the equipment, uniforms, facility improvements?

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5. Location of league/facility: (Give major crossroads/area served)

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6. Type, size of field: (i.e., Little League, softball, regulation) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Owner of field: (i.e., individual, city, county, church, league) \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

8. What other funding have you secured?

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9. What is the timetable for the funding?

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10. Amount requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Narrative: What other conditions or circumstances, additional information can you give to support your application? (Please use space available)

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**You must submit the following items:**

A copy of your organization's 501c3 determination letter from the IRS as well as any photos, plans, estimates, pledges, etc. for this project or program.

Please submit this application to:

Atlanta Braves Pinch Hitter Fund  
P.O. Box 4064  
Atlanta, GA 30302

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