



## **Bradbury Ambarvale Football Club - Financial Support and Volunteering Policy**

### Introduction:

Bradbury Bears is dedicated to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for all players, ensuring that financial constraints do not hinder anyone's participation in sports. This Financial Support and Volunteering Policy aims to provide assistance to players facing financial challenges while also promoting a spirit of community and teamwork through volunteering.

### Financial Assistance Criteria:

To be eligible for financial assistance, players must meet the following criteria:

#### Demonstrated Financial Need:

- Players may need to provide evidence of financial need, such as proof of income, tax statements, or government assistance documents.

#### Active Participation:

- Players must be actively participating in the club's activities, including regular attendance at training sessions and matches.

#### Commitment to Volunteering:

- Eligible players are expected to commit to a minimum number of volunteering hours per season, contributing to the overall success and operation of the club.

### Financial Support and Volunteer Discounts:

#### Fee Reduction:

- Players meeting the financial assistance criteria may receive a partial or full reduction in their registration fees based on their financial circumstances.

#### Equipment and Uniform Assistance:

- In addition to fee reductions, players facing financial constraints may receive assistance with necessary equipment and uniforms.

#### Payment Plans:

- Flexible payment plans can be arranged for players facing temporary financial difficulties. These plans will be tailored to the individual's circumstances.

#### Volunteer Hour Discounts:

- Players who actively contribute volunteer hours beyond the minimum requirement may be eligible for additional discounts on their registration fees, providing an incentive for increased community involvement.

## Volunteering Commitments:

### Volunteer Hour Requirement:

- Each eligible player is expected to contribute a minimum number of hours of volunteer work during the season.

### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Players can choose from a variety of volunteer opportunities, such as assisting with events, coaching youth teams, helping with maintenance, or participating in fundraising activities.

### Monitoring and Reporting:

- Volunteer hours will be tracked and monitored by the club. Regular reports will be provided to players, outlining their progress towards fulfilling their volunteer commitments.

## Application Process:

### Submission of Financial Assistance Request:

- Players seeking financial support must submit a formal request to the club, providing relevant documentation and information.

### Review and Approval:

- The club's executive committee will review applications and make decisions based on demonstrated need and eligibility criteria.

### Confidentiality:

- All information regarding financial assistance applications will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.

## Communication:

### Transparent Communication:

- The club will communicate openly and transparently with players regarding financial assistance decisions, volunteer opportunities, and any related matters.

### Information Sessions:

- The club will organize information sessions to educate players about the financial support policy, volunteer opportunities, and the overall importance of community involvement.

## Review and Updates:

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Updates may be made based on the evolving needs of the club and its members.

Approval: This Financial Support and Volunteering Policy has been approved by the executive committee on 1/1/2024

Player Financial Assistance Request Form

<https://form.jotform.com/233476371823056>