

## GDRA Financial Aid Application Adult Program

GDRA's Financial Aid program is for those whose current financial circumstances would make it impossible for them to row if they had to pay full dues. The grants we award are not scholarships, given as rewards for superior rowing ability; they are aid, given so that financially strapped rowers are not prevented from rowing.

Although aid covering 100% of dues is possible, such grants are rare. Generally, applicants are expected to make some contribution toward their dues.

Sometimes, it is the timing of dues rather than the dollar amount of dues that creates financial hardship for rowers. In these cases, we can arrange for delayed payment of dues. It is also possible to combine a partial grant of financial aid with delayed payment of dues. We encourage applicants to consider this possibility.

Financial aid grants are for one season only. You will need to reapply for financial aid again next season, if your financial circumstances have not improved.

To apply for financial aid, send an e-mail to Bill Irvine at [bill@philosopher.com](mailto:bill@philosopher.com) (or via snail mail to 217 Monterey Ave., Dayton, OH 45419) in which you answer the following questions.

1. What is the total dollar amount you are being asked to pay? (The answer to this question will depend in part on whether you did sufficient volunteer hours the previous season.)
2. How much of that dollar amount are you able to pay? (Or, if you are trying to arrange delayed payment of dues, when will you be able to make payments, and how much will you be able to pay?)
3. Since GDRA has limited financial aid resources, we need to make sure that truly needy cases are taken care of first. For this reason, please describe, in some detail, the financial circumstances that are causing you to apply for financial aid.

If you have any questions, contact Bill Irvine at [bill@philosopher.com](mailto:bill@philosopher.com) or (between 8am and 8pm) at 937-469-6750.