



2024 Camp Financial Assistance: Frequently Asked Questions

The Springfield JCC is committed to making summer camp as accessible as possible. We offer need-based financial assistance toward JCC membership and camp fees. Our financial assistance program is funded through the generosity of JCC member donations, grants, and private foundations.

Who is eligible for financial assistance?

In 2024, financial assistance is available to current Springfield JCC members in good standing.

If you are not currently a member of the Springfield JCC, you may become a member at any time by contacting Craig Kazin, JCC Membership Director (413-739-4715 or ckazin@springfieldjcc.org). Restrictions may apply.

How do I apply for financial assistance?

1. Contact Elizabeth Diaz, Camp Registrar (413-739-4715 or ediaz@springfieldjcc.org), who will send you the necessary materials, including the Financial Assistance application.
2. Complete all of the materials provided, including the Financial Assistance application. Be sure to attach the required income verification documents. Your application cannot be processed without this information.
3. Reminder: Families must apply annually for financial assistance. Financial aid is not renewed automatically.

When is my application due?

Financial assistance applications for camp are due by **Monday, April 15, 2024**. Applications are reviewed in order of when they are received. Applications received after the due date will not be guaranteed consideration for financial assistance. Any past-due balances must be paid in full before a financial assistance application can be processed. The Springfield JCC does not award 100% assistance.

What supporting documents should I provide?

To be considered for assistance, please submit the first two pages of your most recent IRS 1040 tax return. If applicant and co-applicant file taxes separately, we require both tax returns for the same year. If needed, please include a letter explaining extenuating circumstances.

When will I be notified and what else do I need to do?

- Please allow a minimum of two (2) weeks for processing once your application is submitted.
- All details regarding your financial assistance application are kept strictly confidential.
- Please note that financial assistance is not available for Specialty camps.
- If awarded financial assistance, you must commit to a **payment plan schedule, which must conclude by June 1, 2024**.
- The Springfield JCC reserves the right to withdraw financial assistance awards if an enrolled camper or their parents/guardians violate our code of conduct.

Questions?

If you have additional questions about the financial assistance process, please email scholarship@springfieldjcc.org.