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Subject: Discounted Swimming Pool Season Passes for Free/Reduced Lunch Students - FOTP

Good Morning Dave,

I am contacting you as a representative of the Friends of Tenino Parks (501c3 status organized under Thurston PARC umbrella) to inquire about the city's willingness to participate in the revamp of our discounted swimming pool pass program that provides low cost season passes to the Tenino pool for students enrolled in Tenino school who are participants in the free/reduced lunch program. To accomplish the program goals, we partner with the school district, which sends out invitations to purchase discounted passes to students in the free/reduced lunch program and then interested students/parents contact us to get on the distribution list. We then arrange pickup times with those registered to distribute the passes. This way our organization does not need to get involved with any of the personal information of the participant families. In the past, the Friends of Tenino Parks has partnered with the city to purchase discounted pool passes for the program and then sells the passes to participants at a subsidized price. The subsidized amount comes from grant/organizational funding and the funds collected from participant pool pass purchases during the preceding years. There are no administrative or operating costs associated with this program.

The last time we offered this program was in 2019 when we distributed 50 season passes to local families. In 2019, we purchased passes from the city for \$75 and sold them to participating families for \$20, all of that money going back into the program for the next year (the money has just been sitting in our PARC account since the pool was last open for the season).

We are hoping for a similar arrangement with the city/school for our program this year. Any discount the city can provide for the season passes we purchase would go directly back into our program and allow us to help more families. What is the least amount that the city would accept for season pool passes in support of this program?

We are putting together the discounted swimming pool season pass program for 2025 now and we are counting on your support! Let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you

Will Rutherford

Friends of Tenino Parks

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