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re: USTA Tennis Venue Services Grant, 25LA33062 Raising Canes Tennis Center (Youngsville, LA)

Dear Bill,

Congratulations! We are pleased to inform you that the City of Youngsville has been selected to receive \$17,500 in USTA Southern Build It Forward Facility Funding for LED lighting in support of ten (10) 78' tennis courts at the Raising Canes Tennis Center.

Please be advised that, by accepting these funds upon project completion, the City of Youngsville agrees not to add lines to the courts for any sport other than tennis for at least 5 years from the date the funds are received. Adding lines on these courts for any other sport will violate this grant and gives USTA Southern the right to seek repayment of a pro rata portion of the grant based upon the amount of time remaining in that 5-year period when the lines for another sport was added.

“Tennis courts eligible for USTA Southern sanctioned competition, including junior and adult tournaments and league, must contain only lines prescribed by the ITF Rules of Tennis, as set out in the USTA Handbook of Tennis Rules and Regulations.” Courts that include both tennis AND pickleball lines are not eligible to host sanctioned events/play in the Southern Section.

USTA Southern hopes you use this opportunity to publicize your facility and tennis in your community. We would like to celebrate the announcement with you. Please reach out to Ron Cioffi, Senior Manager, Communications at cioffi@sta.usta.com when you announce the award.

The sport of tennis can be an important part of improving communities, schools, the health of individuals and the quality of life for all. As members of the tennis family, we know how this sport can make a difference in people’s lives. We are happy to partner with Raising Canes Tennis Center to help achieve this goal in Youngsville, LA.

Thank you for efforts in promoting the game of tennis in your community. Sincerely,

Ted Reese
President, USTA Southern

Matt Olson
Executive Director, USTA Southern

cc: Todd Carlson, Director, Tennis Venue Services, Parks & CTAs
cc: Bill Phillips, Executive Director, USTA Louisiana
cc: Karen Zuidema, National Facilities Consultant
cc: Brett Schwartz, Build It Forward Committee Chair