

Fund-Raising, Fees and FCT

FC Transylvania, Inc. (FCT) is a relatively new club, formed in 2006, to provide players from throughout the region with the opportunity to compete at the Division I and Premier levels by joining players of similar skill and desire. Committed to superior training, health and fitness, and to fostering the values of hard work and team spirit, FCT provides professional training to every team and provides opportunities for players regardless of their hometown. The benefit of this approach is that we have attracted a wide variety of talented players—each FCT team competes in Division One of the WYSL; the challenge of this approach is that FCT must incur costs not borne by hometown travel teams that usually receive free or discounted practice space on school and local fields and that rely on parent volunteer coaches.

Last year, fall, winter and spring membership fees \$ 1700.00 per season per player. We offer families the opportunity to pay one time full payment or in installments (2 payments of \$850.00 each time) and have some partial scholarship slots available. (i.e. families with partial scholarships are still expected to pay some money toward the club fee each season). However, the club's ability to provide even partial scholarships is determined on a season to season basis and we kindly ask that you not assume that this opportunity will be provided to you and your child.

This coming year, we hope to create a robust fund raising effort to bring down our fees; with strong and steady fund raising, our goal will be to **reduce winter and spring fees**, but **WE CAN NOT FUND RAISE AND BUILD A STRONG CLUB WITHOUT YOU!** **Parents will be expected to participate in a variety of fund raising activities during the 2010 -2011 season** including assistance with raffles, sponsorship drives, etc. and parents will be expected to volunteer to work on club sponsored tournaments. In addition to reducing fees, monies raised also permit us to provide the following enhancements to our unique program:

- Trainers to work with every player at multiple practices each week and at games, including specialize goal keeper training;
- Increased numbers of scholarships to allow talented players to join FCT whose economic circumstances might not otherwise permit them to afford the opportunity;
- Lights to illuminate practice space so teams can practice in the late fall and early spring in the late afternoon hours;
- Fees to secure optimal outdoor and indoor training space;
- Tournament fees to enable teams to travel to and compete in a wide variety of venues;
- Funds to buy goals, nets, and to maintain all coaching equipment in safe and peak condition

We say thank you in advance for devoting your own unique talent and energy to help FCT continue as a strong and stable club for our children. **FCT is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible.** For more information, we invite you to contact any of FCT's Board of Directors listed at www.fctransylvania.org.

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