

## **2026 Rider Financial Assistance Application**

Through fundraising efforts from events and grants from private foundations, Main Stay is pleased to offer assistance to qualifying riders. Main Stay offers a reduced sliding scale fee to those whose income levels fall within the income levels established by the Illinois Free and Reduced Lunch Program:

- Riders who meet the free lunch criteria based on income level will pay \$10 per lesson.
- Riders who meet the reduced lunch criteria based on income level will pay \$15 per lesson.

Riders must complete the Financial Assistance Application and provide their most recent income tax return for review. Please include all income sources. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Riders will be eligible and must apply for funding each year however, funding may only be awarded to those eligible for up to three years. Please note that financial assistance is not guaranteed even if you meet the criteria. Funds are limited and are awarded at the sole discretion of Main Stay.

Main Stay requires that riders receiving financial assistance stay current with lesson fee payments or the rider will become ineligible for assistance.

Your documented income must fall within the Illinois Free and Reduced Lunch Program income levels listed below to qualify:

1.3(Free lunch)	1.85(Reduced lunch)	
\$10/lesson	\$15/lesson	
20,345 or less	28,953 or less	
27,495	39,128	
34,645	49,303	
41,795	59,478	
48,945	69,653	
56,095	79,828	
63,245	90,003	
70,395	100,178	
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Please feel free to call us with any questions.

Thank you,

Loriann Dowell

**Executive Director** 



## Rider Financial Assistance Application

Rider name:	<del></del>			
Rider resides with:MotherFatherBoth parentsGuardia	anSelf/Spouse			
Rider's marital status:Married SingleDivorced/SeparatedWidowed				
Number of people in the household (including children):				
Rider submits his/her own Federal and State taxes?Yes No				
If no, who claims the rider for tax purposes:				
The rider or individual who claims the rider for tax purposes must submit a current in with the application.	ncome tax return along			
Please list the amount received from each of the following sources for all family memb	pers that apply:			
Annual Gross Income:	\$			
Additional person(s) in family Annual Gross Income:	\$			
Public Aid	\$			
SSI/SSDI	\$			
Alimony	\$			
Child Support	\$			
Other, please explain	\$			
Total Annual Gross Income from ALL sources	\$			
Please describe any extenuating circumstances that contribute to your need for assista	ance:			

Which session(s) are you request	ting financial assistance	?			
Session #1(Winter)	Session #2(Spring/Su	mmer)	Session #3(Fall)		
The Mental Health Resource Lea needed for their craft fairs and the who assist at their events.					
Please indicate if you will particip	pate in the following fur	draising activity	:		
Fall Diddley (October)					
Information provided in this app	·		a host of my knowled	<b>J</b> go	
I certify that the information provided in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.					
Signature			Date		
OFFICE USE ONLY –					
Financial Assistance:	Approved	Denied	Date:		
If denied, reason for denial:					
Funds granted for Session #	#1Session #2	Session	#3		
Amount granted per lesson:					
Notified rider on:					