



2026 Rider Financial Assistance Info Sheet

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:

	<u>1.3(Free lunch)</u>	<u>1.85(Reduced lunch)</u>
	<u>\$10/lesson</u>	<u>\$15/lesson</u>
Family of 1	20,345 or less	28,953 or less
Family of 2	27,495	39,128
Family of 3	34,645	49,303
Family of 4	41,795	59,478
Family of 5	48,945	69,653
Family of 6	56,095	79,828
Family of 7	63,245	90,003
Family of 8	70,395	100,178

Please feel free to call us with any questions.

Thank you,

Loriann Dowell
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