



HQ Tennis – 2025 USTA Jr. Tournament Team Grant Follow-Up Report

Dear United States Tennis Association Team,

On behalf of HQ Tennis, we would like to sincerely thank you for your generous support of our 2025 Junior Tournament Team. Your funding directly impacted player development, tournament participation, and community engagement throughout our season.

Program Overview

HQ's USTA Junior Tournament Team served players ages 13–18. The season focused on structured match play, competitive exposure, sportsmanship, and leadership development.

At the beginning of the season, our team consisted of **2 players**. By the end of the season, we successfully expanded to **7 active players**, demonstrating meaningful program growth and increased community interest.

Season Highlights & Impact

1. Family Engagement & Orientation

We hosted a **virtual family meeting via Zoom** to outline:

- Team expectations
- Tournament structure (L7 pathway)
- Player development goals
- Parent involvement and support

This meeting strengthened communication and alignment between coaches, athletes, and families.



2. Tournament Hosting (August & November)

HQ Tennis successfully hosted:

- **August Junior Tournament**
 - **November Junior Championship Tournament**

These events provided:

- Structured competitive opportunities
- Match experience for beginner and intermediate players
- Community visibility for junior tennis
- Several team members competed in these tournaments, gaining valuable ranking points and match experience.



3. Competitive Match Play & Team Scrimmage

Our team participated in:

- USTA Level 7 tournaments
 - A competitive scrimmage against a local junior team from Roy Wilkins Park

The scrimmage created a positive inter-community competitive experience and reinforced sportsmanship and team culture.



4. U.S. Open Exposure

Players attended the US Open, where they:

- Observed professional-level competition
- Discussed match strategy and player routines
- Gained inspiration and exposure to high-performance tennis environments This experience significantly broadened their understanding of long-term tennis pathways.



5. Community Service

Our team participated in volunteer work supporting the **Coach Mario Memorial**, reinforcing:

- Service leadership
- Community responsibility



- Character development beyond the court



6. Financial Assistance & Access to Competition

Through USTA grant funding, we were able to:

- Cover tournament entry fees for select players
- Assist families with competition-related costs
- Reduce financial barriers to consistent match play

This support was critical in ensuring that players from varying economic backgrounds could compete regularly.

Program Outcomes

By the end of the 2025 season:



Players

- Players gained tournament match experience
- Families became more engaged in competitive tennis pathways
- Athletes developed stronger confidence, discipline, and accountability
- HQ Tennis strengthened its tournament-hosting capacity





Looking Ahead

With continued support, HQ Tennis plans to:

- Expand team enrollment
 - Increase participation in sanctioned tournaments
 - Continue hosting structured junior events
 - Provide additional financial assistance to families in need
 - Strengthen community partnerships

We are deeply grateful to the United States Tennis Association for investing in grassroots tennis and helping us create meaningful competitive opportunities for junior athletes in our community.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to growing the game.

With appreciation,

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