Erie County

Small Games of Chance Guide

The Nonprofit Partnership
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As a service to its member nonprofit organizations, The Nonprofit Partnership has developed this guide to inform members about the provisions of the Small Games of Chance Act which became effective in January, 2014 and to create a listing of clubs and associations in the county that our research indicated would be likely to fall under the purview of the act. Listing information has been gathered from publicly available information including IRS 990 returns and website and social media public information. Circumstances and contact people at the listed clubs and associations may have changed since the data was collected.

The following is an excerpt from the PA Department of Revenue’s overview of the Small Games of Chance Act which requires all clubs and associations who participate in licensed gaming activities to spend 60% of the proceeds on “public interest purposes” annually. Unless directed otherwise, applicants for these funds should approach the clubs and associations by a written letter of request or short grant proposal, depending upon the size and nature of your request.

Generally, all games of chance proceeds, except for proceeds from major league sports drawings, are to be used for public interest purposes. An eligible organization that has as its primary purpose the promotion of a public interest purpose may use small games of chance proceeds to carry out that purpose. “Public interest purpose” is defined as:
One or more of the following:

(1) The activities and operations of a nonprofit benevolent, religious, educational, philanthropic, humane, scientific, patriotic, social welfare, social advocacy, public health, public safety, emergency response, environmental or civic objective.

(2) Initiating, performing or fostering worthy public works or enabling or furthering the erection or maintenance of public structures.

(3) Lessening the burdens borne by government or voluntarily supporting, augmenting or supplementing services which government would normally render to the people.

(4) Improving, expanding, maintaining or repairing real property owned or leased by an eligible organization and relating operational expenses used for purposes specified in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3).

(5) Nonprofit youth sports activities.

(6) Activities relating to the provision of volunteer fire, ambulance or rescue services.

(7) Activities conducted by a veterans organization, whether or not the veterans organization holds a club license. Activities under this paragraph may include:

(i) Scholarships.

(ii) Services to economically or socially support veterans.

(iii) Activities to honor veterans.

(iv) Other activities that qualify under paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6).

The term does not include the erection or acquisition of any real property, unless the property will be used exclusively for one or more of the purposes specified in this definition.
Games of chance proceeds may also be used to purchase games of chance and to pay for eligible organization license fees related to game of chance license applications.

In addition to public interest purposes, a club licensee may use up to 40 percent of its games of chance proceeds per calendar year for expenses of the club licensee. Any proceeds not used for expenses must be used for public interest purposes. So a club licensee must use, at a minimum, 60 percent of its proceeds for public interest purposes. If, however, a club licensee has games of chance proceeds of $40,000 or less during a calendar, then in the following calendar year the club licensee may use the first $20,000 of its proceeds for expenses of the club licensee in addition to the 40 percent. The $20,000 is deducted before calculating the 60/40 split.

Link to the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue’s Small Games of Chance Overview:

http://www.revenue.pa.gov/FormsandPublications/FormsforBusinesses/Documents/Small%20Games%20of%20Chance/sgoc_overview.pdf
Club & Association Listing

Athletic Associations

- Albion Area Sportsmens Club Inc
  Contact: Kathy Monroe
  PO Box 74, Albion, PA 16401
- Lawrence Park Athletic Club
  Contact: Ronald R. Kane
  1017 Rankine Ave, Erie, PA 16511
- Wesleyville Athletic Club
  3338 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510

VFW Clubs

- Tri-Borough Clark Fluegel Memorial Vfw Post 4965 Canteen Home
  Contact: Clark Dan Seaman
  13755 Chestnut St, W. Springfield, PA 16443
- Union City Veterens Club Vfw Post 6773 John Krol
  Contact: Todd VanTassell
  23 E High St., Union City, PA 16438
- Lt Archie W Thompson Canteen Post 264 Veterans of Foreign Wars Inc
  Contact: Ronald Craker
  1151 Mead Ave, Corry, PA 16407
- Vfw Post 740 Canteen Inc
  Contact: Julie Lender
  10613 Route 98, Edinboro, PA 16412
- North East Foriegn Wars Veterans Cl Ub Inc North East Vfw Post - 4789
  Contact: Steve Marzka
28 Vine Street, North East, PA 16428
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 470
1808 West 26th Street, Erie, PA 16508
Veterans of Foreign Wars Ronald Martin Post 3390
2517 Ash Street, Erie, PA 16503

American Legion Associations

- American Legion 237 Lebaron
  Contact: Kraig Capela
  1 South Main Street, Union City, PA 16438
- American Legion 571 Carl Neff
  Contact: Wendall J. Sandell
  1917 Eastern Avenue, Erie, PA 16510
- American Legion Auxiliary 494 Girard
  Contact: David Jackson
  42 Wall Street, Girard, PA 16417
- American Legion 0742 Orville H Frank Post
  Contact: James Zerbee
  P.O. Box 89, Fairview, PA 16415
- American Legion 11 Rogers Israel
  Contact: Charles Casey
  2123 Peach Street, Erie, PA 16502
- American Legion
  135 East 38th Street, Erie, PA 16504
- American Legion Millcreek Post 773
  4109 West 12th Street, Erie, PA 16505
- American Legion Perry Memorial Post 700
  1938 Buffalo Road, Erie, PA 16510
- American Legion Post No 381
  24642 Hwy 408, Cambridge Springs, PA 16403
- American Legion Post
  8 Maple Drive, Fairview, PA 16415
American Legion Post 105
17 S Mill, North East, PA 16428
American Legion Post 365
1460 Scotia Road, Corry, PA 16407

Polish Falcons
Polish Falcons of America 123 Nest
Contact: Dave Andrychowski
602 East 19th Street, Erie, PA 16503
Polish Falcons of America 610 Nest
Contact: Mike Wieczorek
431 East 3rd Street, Erie, PA 16507

Fire Departments
Belle Valley Fire Dept Inc
Contact: Jeffrey Skonicezki
1514 Norcross Road, Erie, PA 16510
Harborcreek Fire Department
Contact: Doug Binny
7275 Buffalo Road, Harborcreek, PA 16421
Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Dept
Contact: Joann Simonelli
7455 New Road, Edinboro, PA 16412
Lake City Fire Company
Contact: Greg Summerson
2232 Rice Avenue, Lake City, PA 16423
Union City Volunteer Fire Department
Contact: Dustin Kolaja
50 Second Avenue, Union City, PA 16438
Lake Shore Firemans Auxiliary
Contact: Susan Kremer
P.O. Box 8014, Erie, PA 16505
Platea Volunteer Fire Company Inc
Contact: Steven Michael
10012 Maple Avenue, Girard, PA 16417

Springfield Volunteer Fire Department
Contact: Tom Weldon
11959 Main Street, Springfield, PA 16411

Loyal Order of Moose

Albion Lodge No 381 Loyal Order of Moose 381
Contact: Tim Miller
63 East State Street, Albion, PA 16401

North East Lodge 2568 Loyal Order of Moose 2568 Lodge
Contact: Bruce Perdue
P.O. Box 288, North East, PA 16512

Moose Lodge East
6060 Iroquois Avenue, Harborcreek, PA 16421

Moose Club
3 Perry Street, Union City, PA 16438

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks of the USA 67 Erie
Contact: Kathleen Kern
2409 Peninsula Drive, Erie, PA 16506

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks of the USA 769 Corry
Contact: JT Colwell
129 North Center Street, Corry, PA 16407
Knights & Ushers Clubs

Knights of St John Building Assn
Contact: Kathleen Stoddard
660 W 26th St, Erie, PA 16508

St Frances Ushers Club
Contact: Marvin Little
PO Box 257, McKean, PA 16426

Knights of Columbus 4262 St Alphonsus Ligouri Council
Contact: James Bahm
11162 Old Lake Road, North East, PA 16428

Social Organizations

La Nuova Aurora Society
1518 Walnut Street, Erie, PA 16502

Polish Sharpshooters Club
650 E 12th Street, Erie, PA 16503

Zukor Club
08 W 38th St, Erie, PA 16508

Siebenbuerger Club
2114 French Street, Erie, PA 16503

Slovak National Club Inc.
902 Hess Avenue, Erie, PA 16503

The Sunflower Club
340 Metz Street, Erie, PA 16508

CYS Club
1602 East 38th Street, Erie, PA 16510

Cascade Park Club
301 Raspberry Street, Erie, PA 16507

Pulaski Club
Contact: Danny Kay
2114 Wallace St, Erie, PA 16503
Huzar Club  
Contact: Jerome Ropiecki  
1122 E 10th St, Erie, PA 16503

Stmarys Auditorium Assoc  
Contact: Shirley Jankowski  
320 E 10th St, Erie, PA 16503

South Erie Turnverein  
Contact: Tim Everts  
2663 Peach St, Erie, PA 16508

Erie Maennerchor Club  
Contact: Mike Dougherty  
1607 State St, Erie, PA 16501

Miscellaneous Organizations

Corry Central Labor Club  
Contact: Steven Smith  
30 W Main St # 32, Corry, PA 16407

Community of the Young Staroobriadcy  
Contact: Paul Petroff  
1602 E 38th St, Erie, PA 16510

South End Beneficial Association  
Contact: Carl Gehrlein  
340 Metz St, Erie, PA 16508

Alliance Home of Erie  
Contact: Dennis J. Kay  
557 E 21st St, Erie, PA 16503

Legionnaires of Corry Inc  
Contact: Richard Pratt  
1460 Sciota Rd, Corry, PA 16407

Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs  
Wattsburg Agricultural Society  
Contact: Tina Elder  
PO Box 266, Wattsburg, PA 16442
Hunt of A Lifetime
Contact: Tina Pattison
PO Box 241, Harborcreek, PA 16421

Association of Notre Dame Clubs Inc Erie
Contact: Edward Grode
6189 Heidler Rd, Fairview, PA 16415

United States Bowling Congress Inc 82969 Erie Usbc Wba
Contact: Barbara Anderson
2526 Wintergreen Dr, Erie, PA 16510

United States Bowling Congress Inc 80609 Erie District Usbc Ba
Contact: John Mackowski
5203 Eragas Dr, Erie, PA 16511

Millcreek Legion Home Association
Contact: Benjamin Suchocki
4109 West 12th Street, Erie, PA 16505

American Federation of Labor & Congress of Industrial Orgs Erie-Crawford Clc
Contact: Matthew McLaughlin
1701 State Street, Erie, PA 16501

Union City Senior Citizen Cooperative
Contact: Joanne Homa-Patterson
27 Johnson Street, Union City, PA 16438

Lions Eye Bank of NW PA Inc
Contact: Frank Smith
5105 Richmond Street, Erie, PA 16509

American Foundry Society Northwestern PA Region 1
Contact: Amber O'Neil
P.O. Box 6555, Erie, PA 16512

Roar on the Shore Inc
Contact: Daniel McMahon
2171 West 38th Street, Erie, PA 16508