



USTA GEORGIA

District Newsletter

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Welcome to this quarter's District Newsletter! In this edition, we're celebrating the power of community—from inspiring breast cancer fundraising events that brought players together for a meaningful cause, to adaptive tennis programs that continue to open doors and expand access to the game we love. We're proud to highlight the people, partnerships, and passion that make our community stronger on and off the court.

DISTRICT 1



Cherokee County Tennis Association

Cherokee participated in the Northside Hospital Tennis Against Breast Cancer event! It was inspiring to see so many women and men come together for such an important cause. Funds raised help provide essential mammogram screenings for those who are under-insured. Huge thank you to the Northside Hospital Foundation for hosting another beautiful and impactful event!



DISTRICT 2

Clark Oconee Tennis Association

Our Kings & Queens of the Court event was a royal success! The day was full of memorable moments, from players showing up in matching outfits, to a brother who traveled from out of town just to team up with his sibling. Teams battled fiercely for the crowns, and while the points were exciting, it was the outstanding sportsmanship displayed throughout the day that truly made the event shine.



DISTRICT 3



USTA Atlanta

USTA Atlanta held its 4th annual Adaptive League in partnership with Special Pops in September. This league partners a Special Pops athlete with special needs with a Junior Team Tennis player in a team doubles format. The goal of this league is to form teams that give adaptive tennis players with special needs and our JTT players a chance to play together and build great friendships! It was a win/win! We grew to 40 participants this year.

DISTRICT 3

Atlanta Youth Tennis & Education Foundation

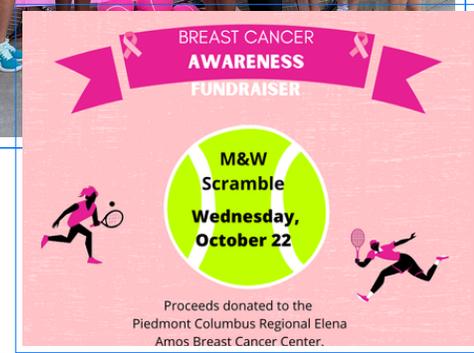
In September, AYTEF hosted a special three-hour Block Party in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. Families enjoyed delicious tacos and pizza from local businesses, joined in craft-making, tennis games, drills, and AYTEF's popular tradition of hit for prizes, and wrapped up the evening with a lively dance party. The Kennesaw State University Men and Women Tennis Team joined the celebration as volunteer coaches for the youth. The celebration brought the community together to enjoy Hispanic music, share memories, play tennis, and recognize the vibrant culture of Hispanic Heritage Month.



DISTRICT 4

Columbus Regional Tennis Association

40 amazing players hit the courts at CORTA for their Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser — raising over \$1,100 for the Eleana Amos Breast Care Center at Piedmont Health's John B. Amos Cancer Center! Special thanks to Sheree Tolbert from Oncology Services for sharing how charitable gifts support patients and services in the community. CORTA is proud to serve on and off the court.



Chattahoochee Area Tennis Association

The "Limitless Tennis" program was held at the McCluskey Tennis Complex for six weeks, giving people with special needs a chance to get out on the court and participate in the sport. With the help of a number of volunteers, including players from LaGrange High and LaGrange Academy, the program was a massive hit.

DISTRICT 5



Macon Area Tennis Association

The Mercer Tennis Classic brought a week of high-level competition and community excitement to Macon, showcasing rising stars on the court. Adding to the fun of the weekend was Macon's new photo booth! It's customizable to every event!

DISTRICT 6

Central Savannah River Area Tennis Association

CSRATA celebrated its members in style with a fun-filled Member Appreciation Day packed with tennis, food, and giveaways. Players enjoyed a day of camaraderie, friendly competition, and gratitude as the organization recognized the members who help make the tennis community strong. It was the perfect blend of play and appreciation—highlighting the spirit that keeps CSRATA thriving.



DISTRICT 7



Mitchell County Community Tennis Association

Mitchell County Tennis Association hosted a fun and energetic Tennis Play Day for kids ages 10 and under at the Mitchell Co Tennis Center on November 1. Young players enjoyed a morning of tennis, friendly competition, and playful games—all completely free and open to the community. The event was a great opportunity to introduce children to the sport in a welcoming, no-pressure environment, and it brought families together for an active start to the weekend.

DISTRICT 8

Golden Isles Tennis Association

In October of this year, GIT raised \$11,480 for the Southeast GA Health Systems Breast Cancer Foundation and its work in supporting local mammogram screenings. The funds were raised through our local Smash Breast Cancer Triples event, a silent auction and bake sale.



There's a Grant for that!



USTA GEORGIA GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Facility Assistance Grant

Financial facility assistance for basic facility improvements, including fixed tennis court amenities and maintenance items. Funding is up to 50% of the total project cost.

Marketing Match Grant

Available to USTA Georgia approved CTAs for Marketing purposes

New Program Grant

Available to USTA Georgia approved CTAs for new programs such as USTA League Tennis, Junior Team Tennis, Corporate, Tri-Level, Tennis On Campus, and other USTA programs.

Marketing Promo Grant

Available to USTA Georgia approved CTAs for Marketing purposes

Special Projects Grant

Available to USTA Georgia approved CTAs for new, and expansion of existing, projects that promote USTA membership and participation.



GEORGIA TENNIS FOUNDATION

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Cannon Carr Tournament Entry Fee Assistance

The Georgia Tennis Foundation is proud to offer financial assistance to Junior Tournament players in Georgia to help cover entry fees.

John Callen Summer Serve Scholarship

This grant is designed to help families provide their children with an enriching and active summer tennis experience.

Afterschool Program Grant

This grant aims to broaden access to tennis programming by offering support for initiatives conducted either at the school or a local parks and recreation facility.

Elaine Hamilton Junior Recreation Scholarship

This grant is designed to help families provide their children with an enriching and active summer tennis experience.

High School Tennis Team Grant

This grant provides up to \$250 in financial assistance to help cover costs such as equipment, uniforms, marketing, and other program-related expenses.

