



Regional Social Event Program Guidelines - 2024

Regional Family Social Event Grant Guidelines

The National MPS Society distributes money provided by the Family Support Program to enable families to organize and host regional picnics or other social events for families living in their area.

Who can apply?

Any National MPS Society member living in the United States (must have an active/renewed membership)

How much can I apply for?

The limit is \$750 each year. You must provide receipts for costs incurred and provide the National MPS Society with a description and pictures of your event for *eCourage* Newsletter within 30 days of the event.

How do I apply?

Grants are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis before the event. The online application must be completely filled out before the committee can review it. A sample invitation must be included with the application, and a final invitation must be reviewed and approved by the National MPS Society.

How do I learn if I get reimbursement funding?

The Family Support Committee oversees each application and processes for review. Applications will be evaluated to determine whether the applicant is eligible for funds, whether the proposed event is appropriate, and whether funds are available. You will be notified within 30 days of receipt of your application.

Other notes:

Locations must be reviewed and determined to be authorized locations with appropriate insurance coverage. The National MPS Society does not assume liability for the event.

The National MPS Society will provide contact information and mailing materials to invite regional families.

How do I apply?

Complete the application form online.

To submit receipts, you may email, mail, or fax them to:

National MPS Society
Regional Social Events
PO Box 14686
Durham, NC 27709-4686
p: 919.806.0101
f: 919.806.2055
Email: angela@mpssociety.org

Tips for a successful event

- Recruit the help of other families from your area
- Approach area businesses for donation of food, drinks, paper products, and facilities
- Ask participating families to each bring a dish
- Allow plenty of time to plan your event
- Don't forget about handicap accessibility
- Be aware of the unique needs of the MPS and ML population in choosing a location and activities. Please make sure to be supportive of those with different physical and developmental abilities.
- We have multiple contact families available who have facilitated very successful events in the past. Please feel free to contact us to request their information.