

## **2019 Player Development Grant Recipients**

### **Gauntlet Golf Club – Awarded \$2,651**

Gauntlet Golf Club will be purchasing an Indoor Nine Hole Portable Putting System and Perfect Swing Path Boards. This Grant funding will allow for the expansion of their Kids Expo event and provide the resources to serve schools in their area, a need that is currently unfilled. New Direction has the passion and the vision to serve this need the first school for which they will bring this free service is Rocky Run Elementary, classified as a Title one program.

### **Golden Horseshoe Golf Club – Awarded \$2,850**

Golden Horseshoe Golf Club will be purchasing SNAG equipment and junior sets to use with their First Tee Program. This partnership has grown approximately 100 % over the past year. There are approximately 600 students involved in the program. The program serves 45 elementary schools in their area and they host several events and fundraisers for the children in addition to the instruction given through the curriculum.

### **Greystone Golf Course – Awarded \$1,000**

Greystone Golf Course will be purchasing SNAG equipment for their many junior academies. Last year they had two academies with over 80 junior participants as well as a junior league. This year they plan to add a third academy with the hopes of introducing younger aged children (ages 3-6) to the game.

### **Pine Ridge Golf Course / Baltimore Golf Academy – Awarded \$1,000**

Pine Ridge Golf Course / Baltimore Golf Academy will be purchasing in-ground golf academy tees. This program develops the leadership and skills of its members through proven PGA guided participation and reinforcement. All participants will be recognized and given positive feedback, regardless of score. The main function will be to develop core values of honesty, sportsmanship, courtesy, perseverance and respect for others; the course, and their equipment.

### **Princess Anne Country Club – Awarded \$4,200**

Princess Anne Country Club will be purchasing a BirdieRex. The BirdieRex will enhance their own junior programs and will be available to other facilities in the area. This will allow facilities that have a harder time reaching the MAPGA Office the ability to access a great Player Development resource.

### **Ric Behan Junior Cup Invitational / Fountain Head CC – Awarded \$500**

The Ric Behan Junior Cup Invitational will be purchasing equipment to use at their event. This year the event will be hosting a free clinic and fun day with contests and games the night before the tournament.

### **Sisters Who Swing – Awarded \$3,000**

Sisters Who Swing will be purchasing indoor/outdoor putting greens. These putting greens will give the program the ability to teach golf year-round, indoors and outdoors.

### **The First Tee of the Virginia Blue Ridge – Awarded \$1,050**

TFT of the Virginia Blue Ridge will be purchasing junior clubs. The program is currently reaching around 8,000 students through their National School Program, Life Skills Classes, and Afterschool DRIVE Programs.

### **The First Tee of Howard County – Awarded \$2,000**

TFT of Howard County will be purchasing Hill Striker Mats. TFT of Howard County has been recognized as an ACE level organization, the highest rating that can be achieved by a First Tee Program.

### **The First Tee of Prince William County – \$845**

TFT of Prince William County will be purchasing Junior sets. During these difficult and formative years golf allows them to be themselves in either a group setting or spend time by themselves. A third of these students did not have equipment and we anticipate the new schools will have the same issue regarding clubs. Having an inventory of proper clubs will eliminate the excuse of a lack of equipment. This is a bully free zone where everyone is welcome to join.

### **The First Tee of Greater Richmond – \$1,050**

TFT of Great Richmond will be purchasing EGolf Rings, and tee markers. The First Tee of Greater Richmond partners with other youth development organizations throughout the RVA community, delivering seamless lesson plans that teach The First Tee Life Skills and Core Values through the game of golf. Youth Serving Programs strive to engage partners whose mission and objectives align and where opportunities exist to maximize impact on the community. With the help of youth development organizations such as Boys and Girls Club, Peter Paul Youth Development Center, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and more in our community, The First Tee of Greater Richmond reached 7,600+ youth.

### **The First Tee of Roanoke Valley – Awarded \$2,500**

TFT of Roanoke will be purchasing SNAG golf sets. This purchase will benefit the around 8,500 participants of their summer and school programs.

### **TPC Potomac – Awarded \$1,000**

TPC Potomac will be purchasing junior sets. The sets will benefit their Young Novice and Adolescent Novice junior groups that do not have their own golf clubs.