



RE: Pascagoula Softball Association 2022 Season

Dear Pascagoula City Council,

Thank you for allowing us to attend this council meeting to represent the Pascagoula Softball Association. My name is LaTasha Lee. I have been appointed president for the 2022-2023 season. I am originally from Louisiana. I have played softball from the age of 4. I am one of the assistant coaches for Colmer Middle School and to this day I still play softball with Texas Queens. Softball is something I love to help and teach the kids of the future.

Overcoming the outbreak of Covid, we have renewed hope for the future of our community's female athletes. Our number has grown from last year and hope to keep growing every year. Through the game of softball, players are provided the opportunity not only to develop their individual and team skills, but to also enhance their growth in the areas of responsibility and fellowship which qualifies as good sportsmanship.

Our goal for the 2023 spring season is to develop skills and training which requires not only time on and off the fields but funds as well. The plan is to keep the registration fee at 60.00 per player with the exception of wee ball. The idea is to increase the number of players. With that being said, as you can imagine it takes an essential amount of funds to provide insurance, uniforms, umpires, equipment, and tournament registration fees for all teams (All Stars). Not to mention other expenses such as trophies, fliers, registration promotions and ads.

As of September of 2023, our bank account balance was 5,693.15. This is not including fall ball registration fees of \$30.00 per player. During this fall season we purchased uniforms and paid umpire fees. Thankfully, Torian Brown helped us with the cost of lining the fields during home games. We were also able to provide travel ball experience during the fall season. But without the concession stand/fundraiser we were not allowed a bigger monetary profit.

On the behalf of the Pascagoula Softball Association board, I am requesting \$10,000.00 from the city. Again, our plan is to purchase (all) essential tools that are required to help with skill development as well as playing in game.

With the knowledge of knowing that the kids are the light, this dedicated board and support from our community will generate a successful 2023 season. On the behalf of this board we thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

LaTasha Lee
President PSA