## Florida Junior Golf Council

## "Florida Golf License Plate Grant" Mid-Program Report

Each program that receives a grant from the Florida Junior Golf Council (FJGC) is required to submit a brief, informal report at approximately the midpoint of their program's term. This report should express the progress your program has made, any obstacles that you have faced, a general description of your activities and the use of the grant funds. (Please see <u>Sample Mid-Program Report</u> to follow these instructions).

- Report should be fairly brief. Roughly 4-5 paragraphs. Short paragraphs please.
- Submit your report via email to <u>grants@fjgc.org</u>
- Pictures (5-10) should also be submitted via email (multiple messages may need to be sent to accommodate larger photos)
- This report should highlight the success and problems your program has encountered to date. Generally state:
  - How many kids have participated
  - How many times you have met
  - What activities are occurring
  - o For what purpose have the grant funds been spent
  - Where have the juniors participates what course or location
  - Who have served as instructors or counselors
  - What access have the kids had to play golf
- What have you done to promote the sale of the golf license plate?
- Accounting- Since many organizations have difficulty providing adequate
  accounting to support their final grant report at the time you send in this midgrant report please send in a summary of the financial status of your program
  to date. You should not have to do any extra work just send us a copy of
  how you are presently keeping track of the revenue and expenses for your
  program so that we can see if you are on the right track.

## Sample Mid-Program Report

June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010

From: Janet Henderson

Re: The Hometown Junior Golf Camp

Dear FJGC,

Thank you for your generous grant. So far this summer our junior golf camps are going great. We have had over 125 kids participate and we have another 6 weeks to go in the program. So far we have held 5 weeks of camps that each had approximately 20-30 kids. Each week serves as a separate "camp" even though we have had some kids attend three straight weeks. The kids are mostly ages 11-15 and they are learning how to not only hit golf balls but also how to play on the course.

Each day the camps run from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM (Monday – Friday) and we include a basic lunch from the snack bar. The cost to the families is \$50 per week and we have allowed 28 of our 75 campers to date to participate at our reduced scholarship rate of \$10.

Frank Henson, the golf professional at Pelican Farms GC has been involved every week and he typically brings along one of his assistant golf professionals who help on the two days that we provide individual swing instruction. We also have used a guest official from the county golf association who comes out once each weekly session and teaches the kids the basic rules of golf.

We have held all of the camps at the Rolling Hills Executive Golf Center and the kids spend a lot of time hitting balls and playing on and around the practice green. Each day we split the camp into three groups and that allows some of the kids to play either 3 or 6 holes (depending on age) under the supervision of one o the counselors. The other kids rotate between practice drills, putting contests and the like.

We have used the grant money to pay our instructors and counselors – we realize we needed more counselors for supervision – and have hired some local high school golfers that have been great! We get a great deal from the snack bar at the golf center and we buy additional drinks and snacks at Wal-Mart. Some of our kids did not previously have equipment and with the grant money we have been able to provide them with necessary clubs, balls, tees etc. We have also reimbursed the local YMCA some costs for transporting kids over from their summer program.

We recently enjoyed a visit from John Ives, a local representative of the State Golf Association who originally interviewed us for the grant. John has been very helpful and even led us to the high school golfers who are serving as counselors.

This grant money has increased our ability to help these kids learn about and improve their skills in the game of golf. At the same time they are meeting friends and building self-confidence while learning core values that will serve them well in the future.

Attached are some great pictures of the kids and we look forward to the next 6 weeks.