



The Foothill Gold Running & Track Club is a volunteer organization established to provide top-notch training and an opportunity for our youth living in Calaveras and Tuolumne counties to participate in organized track & field.

Re: Foothill Gold Club Sponsorship

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Foothill Gold, we are writing this letter to kindly request sponsorship for our club. We are currently requesting financial donations to help fund additional costs of our program.

Our team presently consists of 16 athletes from Calaveras and Tuolumne counties who will be competing in the different AAU Track and Field meets throughout the state, a part of the USA Track & Field (USATF). *A bit of History of USATF*, On January 30, 1878, rower and runner William B. Curtis founded what became the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) in New York City. The name was formally adopted in 1887. The AAU governed the sport until 1979, when the first Amateur Sports Act decreed that the AAU could no longer hold international franchises for more than one sport.

These athletes are working extremely hard and are very excited to be a part of this program and are looking forward to their exceptional, quality training and competitive meets. We believe this is a huge step forward for track and field in our area. Darren Holman, our coach, is a former All-Region athlete in Track and Cross Country at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Darren trained under famed coaches Mark Conover (Cal Poly) for four years and with Vin Lananna and Frank Gagliano on the Nike farm team for three years (2000-2003). Our goal is to develop these young athletes into strong competitors who will have the right training to build the foundation of future competitive programs in our area and go on to be the core of our local high school track and field teams.

Some of our club costs would include but are not limited to:

Scholarships: scholarships will help offset all or a portion of the different costs for meets throughout the state

Equipment: examples would be hurdles, blocks, timers and misc

Misc: apparel as needed (uniforms and sweats)

On behalf of all of the "Foothill Gold" team and their families we appreciate your consideration of our request. Please make your sponsorship payable to Foothill Gold Running & Track Club. Please mail to 240 Sunny Hills Lane, Murphys, CA 95247. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Donna at 728-8855 or Paul at 586-4059. Also, please check our website at www.foothillgold.com for more information about the club.

Sincerely,

Paul McIlroy, Donna Hester
Assistant, Club Manager & Sponsorship