



Request for Financial Assistance (Application Fee Waiver)

Applicant Information (Please print or type.) By signing below, I certify that I understand and meet the eligibility requirements to request financial assistance. This may take the form of an application fee waiver or, for applicants invited to join NYO-USA, the reimbursement of travel costs or other out-of-pocket expenses required for a student's participation in the program.

Name: _____ Signature: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please note that if you are not claimed as an exemption/dependent on the tax return of your parent(s)/guardian and you receive less than \$1,000 in financial assistance per year from your parent(s)/guardian, you may be considered financially independent and may apply for this waiver based on your personal financial need. If you wish to be considered for a waiver on that basis, please contact NYO-USA staff at 212-424-2024 or nyo-usa@carnegiehall.org for more information.

Parent/Guardian Information (Please print or type.)

By signing below, I certify that the applicant named above meets one or more of the eligibility conditions for an application fee waiver, and that, if requested by Carnegie Hall, I will provide documentation in support of the eligibility indicated below.

Name: _____ Signature: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Eligibility Information (Please check one or more of the qualifying indicators of financial need.)

- Applicant is enrolled in a free or reduced-price lunch program.
- Applicant is enrolled in a program for the economically disadvantaged (for example, a TRIO program such as Upward Bound).
- The annual income of the applicant's family falls within the levels listed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for reduced-price lunches (see table).
- Applicant's family receives public assistance.
- Applicant's family lives in federally subsidized public housing.
- Applicant is a resident in a foster home.

USDA Food and Nutrition Service Income Eligibility Requirements for 2022-2023

Number of Members in Household (including head of household)	Total Annual Income (for 2023 calendar year)
1	\$25,142.00
2	\$33,874.00
3	\$42,606.00
4	\$51,338.00
5	\$60,070.00
6	\$68,802.00

To determine the income level for families with more than six household members, please see the complete table of guidelines at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/income-eligibility-guidelines>.

Send completed form by mail or email.
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Department Head Approval:
Date:

Within 10 business days of receipt, we will contact the applicant with notification that the waiver is granted or to request additional information.