



In 1999, a new non-profit called Tahoe Cross Country Ski Education Association (TCCSEA) hired Kevin Murnane to manage Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area. He quickly transformed the ski area into a thriving social and athletic hub. Kevin brought enthusiasm, vision, and love for Nordic skiing to Tahoe Cross Country and the Tahoe City Community. He helped to expand community programs like Strider Gliders, the TXC Junior Development and Competition Teams, Free Skiing for Schools, and the Winter Discovery Center. Thanks to him, TCCSEA now works closely with local Middle and High School Nordic Programs, providing trail access and equipment. They host daily clinics, provide rentals and world-class grooming, and they co-host numerous community events like the Alpenglöw 20k, the Great Ski Race, the Tahoe Rim Tour, summer mountain bike rides for juniors, and more.

In honor of everything Kevin did as TXC manager, upstanding citizen, and friend; TCCSEA has developed the Kevin Murnane Scholarship for athletes and, the Kevin Murnane Grant for coaches. The TCCSEA Board of Directors would like all the qualities Kevin embodied to be remembered through these funding opportunities.

For coaches, TCCSEA is offering a Coaching Development Grant to support hard-working coaches who mentor our young North Tahoe athletes and who need financial support to attend clinics, symposiums, classes and trainings. Kevin understood the need for quality coaching and for developing strong youth programs, and TCCSEA also wishes to continually support local coaches as best we can.

Therefore, there will be one grant available each year awarded June 1st. Funding provided will be *up to* \$1000 per grant. Recipients must provide receipts for the grant monies to be applied.

Interested applicants need to send a Cover Letter and Expression of Interest (EOI) email to: donheapes@tahoexc.org, attention: Junior Committee.

Please explain the nature of the need, specifically how the funds will be used, funding timelines, if any, and how applicant will personally and professionally benefit from receiving the grant. All applications will be acknowledged and grant recipients will

be notified via email. In addition, the KM Coaching Grant recipients will be asked to provide the TCCSEA Board of Directors with a presentation, in person or in writing, of their experience(s) once the grant has been used.

At the time of application, applicants must provide proof they are either currently employed or volunteering as coaches/mentors for a Tahoe City/North Lake Tahoe program (NT MS/HS/TXC/Strider Glider/Junior Mt Riders) and meet the above criteria and deadlines.

Thank you for your interest and your work with Tahoe Nordic athletes,

TCCSEA Board of Directors Junior Committee

Below is a checklist for the required information in order to be considered for this grant:

Completed	Description of Information	Date
	Cover Letter and Expression of Interest (EOI)	
	Proof of Employment or Volunteering as Coach	
	Budget/Expense Outline	
	Use of Funds Time-line	
	Presentation to Board (Proposed Date/Time)	
	References	