



## *Tickets for Children's Charities*

*The most beautiful music in the world is the sound of children laughing.*

The **Tickets for Children's Charities** program is part of **Kennywood Entertainment Cares**, the philanthropy arm of Kennywood Entertainment. Since 1992, the three Kennywood Entertainment parks in Western Pennsylvania – **Kennywood**, **Idlewild & SoakZone**, and **Sandcastle** – have donated nearly 250,000 days of fun by providing tickets to organizations that directly serve disadvantaged children and/or children with disabilities.

This particular program is dedicated toward making an immediate, and direct, impact on youngsters with those particular special needs. It offers children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to experience one of our parks, a day filled with fun and laughter, and the promise of wonderful memories for years to come.

Written requests from tax-exempt 501C-3 charitable organizations whose requests fall within the program guidelines are accepted for each of Kennywood Entertainment's three Western Pennsylvania parks: **Kennywood**, **Sandcastle** and **Idlewild & SoakZone**. Two type tickets are awarded:

**Type A tickets** are good any day of the current operating season by individual children.

**Type B tickets** are distributed in larger quantities and may be sold by an organization (that directly helps children) as a fundraiser. Type B tickets are good any weekday – restrictions may apply.

Following the review of requests, in order of receipt, organizations receive a letter of acceptance or rejection, no later than March 1.

### **How to request *Tickets for Children's Charities*:**

**Step 1: Review Mission Statement** to determine if your organization qualifies:

***The mission of Tickets for Children's Charities is to provide tickets to 501C-3 not-for-profit organizations to be used directly by disadvantaged children and/or children with disabilities, and to provide tickets for fund-raising purposes for agencies that work directly with such children.***

### **Step 2: Submit Letter of Request and Application Form**

Include information about your organization and summary information regarding the number of tickets and who will utilize the tickets.

The application form, along with Frequently Asked Questions, can be found on page 2 of this document.

**Requests must be received by January 15, 2009.**

Please mail completed form with an accompanying letter & brochure (if available) to:



Helping to Make Memories Meaningful

***Tickets for Children's Charities***  
c/o Kennywood  
4800 Kennywood Boulevard  
West Mifflin, PA 15122

**Frequently Asked Questions regarding the *Tickets for Children's Charities* program:**

Q. Who qualifies to receive these tickets?

A. The mission of *Tickets for Children's Charities* is to provide tickets to 501C-3 not-for-profit organizations to be used directly by disadvantaged children and/or children with disabilities, and to provide tickets for fund-raising purposes for agencies that work directly with such children.

Q. Just what do *Tickets for Children's Charities* offer?

A. There are two categories of tickets: one benefiting individual children, and the other benefiting an organization that directly supports children.

Q. Are individuals raising funds privately eligible to receive tickets?

A. No. All tickets are disbursed via charities that directly benefit children, i.e., tickets are granted to 501C-3 organizations directly rather than through individual fundraising activities.

Q. May our group use tickets to raise money for our children with door prizes, raffles, etc.?

A. No. Type A tickets must go directly to children. Type B tickets may only be sold to raise money to directly benefit the children at the 501C-3 organization.

Q. Do you accept proposals from 501-3 non-profits outside the western Pennsylvania area?

A. Yes.

Q. Do past ticket recipients automatically receive tickets?

A. No. Each year is autonomous. You may also reapply if you did *not* receive tickets previously.

Q. When are applications for *Tickets for Children's Charities* accepted?

A. Applications may be submitted between September 15 and January 15. Applications are reviewed by date of receipt. Awards and distributions generally occur in February.

Q. Who decides which groups receive tickets?

A. A rotating committee at each park meets in January and February to award tickets.

Q. If I have further questions, whom should I contact?

A. Andy Quinn, Director of Community Relations, Kennywood Entertainment 412.461.0500 x1243

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***Tickets for Children's Charities*** Application Information:

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Website \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Status/501C-3 # \_\_\_\_\_

Contact First and Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Title \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# of **Type A** tickets requested for **Kennywood** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sandcastle** \_\_\_\_\_ **Idlewild** \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if requesting **Type B** Tickets for **Kennywood** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sandcastle** \_\_\_\_\_ **Idlewild** \_\_\_\_\_