

Vandal Lacrosse, Inc.

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OUR 2019 GOAL: \$15,000.00

WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SUSTAIN OUR SUCCESS

WHY WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

1. COSTS TO COMPETE ARE INCREASING

Vandal Lacrosse is currently funded by a combination of player fees and a university club sports grant. The annual operating budget can exceed \$70,000. For example, travel expenses including transportation, food & lodging (\$40,000), team & individual equipment costs (\$10,000), referee & trainer fees (\$7,500) and league dues (\$4,250) make up the bulk of that. These numbers reflect the operating expenses from the 2017 season and are contingent on a roster comprising of 20-25 individuals. Our 2019 season however will be undertaken with only 14 players and will therefore unfortunately be operated on a much more restrictive budget, leading to increased per player costs and lost game/travel opportunities. The costs are increasing each year and are typically split between more players who pay an all-inclusive average of roughly \$2,400 per season, a relatively significant cost for a college student or their family and sometimes a barrier to entry. Your generosity is needed this season now more than ever.

Your contribution will help us to reduce the per player cost which will allow more student athletes the opportunity to compete at the next level.

2. HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES WANT TO CONTINUE TO PLAY LACROSSE AT THE COLLEGE LEVEL

Lacrosse is one of the most exciting and fastest growing sports in the country. Competitive athletes want to continue to compete and test their skills at a higher level. Participation in college lacrosse provides for this along with an opportunity for our student athletes to learn lifetime skills like structure, discipline, sportsmanship, teamwork and leadership through their involvement in a highly

competitive virtual varsity program and conference. Our league competitors include Oregon, Oregon State, Washington, Simon Fraser and Boise State.

Your contribution will help us continue to compete with these top-tier lacrosse schools and provide a structured, competitive program and an enriching, memorable college experience for each of our student athletes.

3. THE COLLEGE LACROSSE EXPERIENCE IS A WORTHWHILE AND BENEFICIAL CHALLENGE

A busy college student is a better college student. In addition to the obvious health and social benefits of staying active and being part of a team, the commitment to college lacrosse challenges student athletes to prioritize and manage their time more effectively. Navigating these challenges produces a more engaged, competitive, productive college student.

Five players on our current roster earned <u>All-Conference</u> honors from the PNCLL. last season (2018). Two players were honored as <u>National Scholar Athletes</u> by the MCLA. The average GPA of the team exceeds 3.4. All these young men are learning to be leaders and team players, skills that will translate well into the post-college world. Many teammates will remain lifelong friends as a result of this experience. Some of these players will be future lacrosse coaches helping to grow the sport for the next generation.

Your contribution will help us to continue to provide a beneficial experience to more young men with the hope that we can build better college students and future leaders.

HOW YOU CAN HELP SUPPORT US

Our fundraising goal for the 2019 season is \$15,000.00.

All cash donations, in-kind donations and individual & corporate sponsorships are welcome and greatly appreciated. We are happy to work with any donor or sponsor individually to customize an advertising/marketing plan based on the level of sponsorship.

We are also very interested in opportunities where we can work jointly with community based charitable organizations to raise money and awareness for both the charitable organization and the sport of lacrosse.

Vandal Lacrosse, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) Corporation so all donations are fully tax-deductible as tax laws allow. A receipt for any donation over \$250.00 will be provided upon request.

You can either donate directly via the PayPal DONATE button above or send a check payable to Vandal Lacrosse, Inc., to PO Box 3732, Moscow, ID 83843. For sponsorships, private donations or special requests, please contact the Vandal Lacrosse Board Chairman, Kelly Berard: kellyberard@yahoo.com

OUR WISH LIST

Donations, either cash or in-kind, or sponsorships for the following wish list items are greatly appreciated and will help us reduce costs for future players.

- Scholarships
- Visible Shot Clock (mandated by the MCLA)
- Charter Bus Transportation
- Team Uniforms
- Coach Training & Development
- Coach's Club Potential Incentive Bonus for Coach Performance
- Post-Season Playoffs
- PA/Sound System
- Electronic Scoreboard
- Idaho Vandal Pop-Up Canopies for Teams, Trainers & Scorekeepers
- Game & Practice Lacrosse Goals
- Lacrosse Balls
- Custom Team Equipment practice packs, gloves, helmets, bags
- Special Event Team Shirts as part of our Team Fundraising Events
- Medical Kit
- Equipment Repair Kit
- Kibbie Dome Rental for Rivalry Game
- Spring Break Trip
- End of Year Celebration Banquet
- Team Meals
- Team Hotels

On behalf of the Vandal Men's Lacrosse Team, The Coaches and The Board, thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

GO VANDALS!

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