

## **2021 Athlete Stipends, Elite Athlete Health Insurance (EAHI) & Other Resources**

**Amount Awarded for this Term: \$720,000**

**Athlete Stipends and EAHI Eligibility and Criteria Approved for this Term:**

**There will be two levels of support for regular athlete stipends: (1) Performance and (2) Training.**

**Athlete Stipends (totaling approximately \$674,400)**

**Performance: Stipends awarded will be \$1,700/ month for each of the eligibility periods as defined below.**

**Training: Stipends awarded will be \$1,300/ month for each of the eligibility periods as defined below.**

EAHI: Athletes who qualify for Athlete Stipends through the Performance or Training criteria will be offered EAHI.

Funds will be distributed the first week of each month via the USOPC, except for June, due to the timing of Olympic Nomination. Athlete Stipends and EAHI are not secured beyond the term of this agreement.

### **Eligibility Periods and Criteria:**

Eligibility will be broken up into the following three periods: \*(Please note exceptions for specific boat classes in specific periods)

Period 1: Jan 1, 2021 – May 31, 2021

Period 2: June 10, 2021 - August 31, 2021

Period 3: September 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

Period 1: Jan 1, 2021 - May 31, 2021

Performance (\$1,700/month):

- Athletes who qualified for performance funding as of December 2020 and are returning 2019 World Championship Medalists who are training to compete at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.
- These athletes must either be training under USRowing's Women's or Men's National Team coaches' training programs OR with oversight or consult from USRowing National Team staff (High Performance Director or designee).

Training (\$1,300/month):

- Athletes who qualified for training funding as of December 2020 and are returning athletes who placed 4-7 at the 2019 World Championships\* and are continuing training for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games OR

- Additional consideration for support:
  - Olympic class boats attaining qualification standard for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games
  - Placement of 8 at the 2019 World Championships\*
  - Currently training under the direct supervision of US Rowing Women's or Men's National Team coaches OR with oversight or consult from USRowing National Team staff (High Performance Director or designee).

\*To be considered for performance or training stipends in Period 1, athlete must place top 50% of the field in their boat class in the 2019 World Championships. For example, if an athlete places 7th in his/her boat class there must be at least 14 entries in that boat class to receive a training stipend.

Exception to the '\*':

The winners of the W1x, LW2x at Olympic Trials I will receive a training grant (or performance grant if eligible) from March 1, 2021 through the remainder of Period 1. Winners of the W2x will receive a training grant (or performance grant if eligible) from May 1 through the remainder of Period 1.

Period 2: June 10, 2021 – August 31, 2021

Performance (\$1,700/month):

- Placement of 1-3 at the 2019 World Championships\* and named to the 2020

Olympic Games

Training (\$1,300/month):

- Any athlete named to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Team OR
- Additional consideration for support
  - Athlete currently training for the 2021 World Championships or 2022 World Championships, in an Olympic event, under the direct supervision of USRowing Women's or Men's National Team coaches OR with oversight or consult from USRowing National Team staff (High Performance Director or designee).

USRowing's High Performance Committee, which includes two High Performance Committee athlete representatives, will review recommendations made to the committee and approve considerations for support on a case-by-case basis.

Period 3: September 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

Training (\$1,300/month):

- Returning Olympian from the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games currently training for the 2022 World Championships

- Additional consideration for support:
  - Athlete currently training for the 2021 World Championships or 2022 World Championships, in an Olympic event, under the direct supervision of USRowing Women's or Men's National Team staff coaches OR with oversight or consult from USRowing National Team staff (High Performance Director or designee).
  - USRowing's High Performance Committee, which includes two High Performance Committee athlete representatives, will review recommendations made to the committee and approve considerations for support on a case-by-case basis.

### **Supplemental Training Stipends**

Will be awarded to current training athletes (who are earning Athlete Stipends in Period 3) who competed at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

Athletes will receive shares in the remaining funding pool. Athletes who win a medal(s) in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will receive 3 shares per medal won. Athletes that competed at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will receive 1 share.

Payments will be distributed via a one-time payment to athletes in December 2021.