



Volunteer with Public Tennis!

Public Tennis is looking for volunteers to help with its programs serving youth and people with special needs. Tennis skills are not necessary!

Volunteer as much or as little as suits your schedule! Helping our athletes is easy and fun!

Contact info@publictennis.org or call Wayne Lilley at 978-571-1475.

About Public Tennis Inc.

Public Tennis Inc. (PTI), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, serves the sport of tennis in Beaufort County, South Carolina. *Public Tennis Inc. is committed to making tennis accessible, to growing tennis as a sport with a focus on youth, to supporting committed young players who need help to pursue tennis collegiately, and to bringing the therapeutic, athletic, and social benefits of tennis to those with special needs.*

Founded in 2001, PTI owns no tennis facilities, but has a rich history of supporting public access to tennis and growing the game by raising funds for the construction, improvement and maintenance of public tennis facilities, operating youth and adult tennis programs, supporting special needs populations, and sponsoring players. From its beginning, PTI recognized that despite hundreds of private and gated tennis courts and facilities in the greater Hilton Head area, very few courts were available for public use. In the early 2000's, PTI raised funds and secured matching funds enabling the Town of Hilton Head to build Chaplin Public Tennis Center. Subsequently, PTI facilitated the procurement of additional courts for public use and acted as facility operator of various courts on an interim basis. PTI is a "USTA Community Tennis Association". We have partnered with numerous organizations including Beaufort County, Beaufort County Schools, The Island Foundation, The Tennis Association of Hilton Head (TAHHI), The Island Recreation Center, The US Professional Tennis Registry, Spring Break Tennis, Boys and Girls Clubs, and the YMCA. PTI fund raisers have run the gamut from community car washes and bake sales to hosting regional tournaments locally such as the Bluffton Today Open. PTI brings tennis to special needs populations and sponsors Special Olympics and wheelchair tennis. PTI offers grants and sponsorship to players who aspire to pursue higher levels of tennis and who seek scholarships for college education.

Starting in 2017, we are proud to be part of a new USTA initiative to grow tennis by involving young children and their parents in play which is largely parent organized.

Thank you for your consideration!

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