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Dear Pickleball Enthusiast and HCPA Valued Member,

I hope this letter finds you well. As Deanne DeGraff mentioned in her last email, we are excited to kick off fundraising for the Camp St. Croix pickleball expansion project. On behalf of the Fundraising Committee of the Hudson Community Pickleball Association (HCPA), ***we are requesting your tax-deductible financial donation.*** Every donation will make a meaningful difference.

My love for pickleball started about 5 years ago. What I quickly learned was there is so much more to pickleball than the sport itself. The community, friendships and welcoming spirit that comes with our association is what keeps me coming back. Most of us are fortunate to play on courts already established. Those before us had the vision and dedication to bring the association to life and make this opportunity for us possible. We get to just show up and have fun.

Because this sport is growing and we all want more opportunities to play, we are raising funds to add three additional courts. In addition, new fencing and more parking. Your commitment and contribution will help us get this project started. The goal is to have the new courts ready by late summer or early fall.

Just a few benefits of this expansion:

- Additional opportunities for all skill levels
- More opportunity for play
- Additional opportunities for tournaments and leagues
- Be a part of the fastest growing sport in the country

Summary of the project costs:

- Total project estimate: \$160,000.
- Current HCPA savings available for the project: \$60,000.
- Fundraising goal: \$100,000.

WHILE AT THE COURTS, a special opportunity for the first 100 member donors is available for those who make a \$200 or more financial commitment to this goal. The first 100 eligible donors will be registered to win a new pickleball paddle. One of the fundraising committee or board members will be at the courts to answer your questions.

Requests will be made to business and civic organizations in our community... but we believe that our members should first show that they too are committed to this cause.

The quicker we can attain our goal, the quicker we can get the project started. The hope is with a good funding campaign the courts could be ready for play late summer or early fall.

Ways you can give:


- **Checks** written to Hudson Community Pickleball Association, memo “Court Expansion”.
- **Cash** can be given to Tom Menter, board treasurer.
- **Venmo** at @Hudson-Pickleball <https://tinyurl.com/bdacnwuf> (see QR code on top of letter)
- **Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)**. Eligible seniors who must take an (RMD) from their IRAs could reduce taxable income with a Qualified Charitable Deduction (QCD), a tax-free way to donate funds to HCPA, Inc., an eligible nonprofit charity. Please connect with Tom Menter, board treasurer for more information.
- **Thrivent Choice Dollars**.
- **Employee Match**. Even if you are retired, your previous employer may match your donation.

Donation forms and Venmo access are available at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/bdacnwuf>

Please submit your donation by **July 30th**. Of course, donations after this date will be accepted. We need to get a good feel on commitments prior to starting. If you have any questions or would like more information about this expansion, please feel free to contact us.

Your generosity, support and commitment to this project are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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