

Hi Hillary:

I just learned of Granite City Electric's **Field of Dreams** promotion and want to learn more about it and to apply to you for help in lighting one of our fields.

I am the president of **Exeter-West Greenwich Girls Softball League in Rhode Island** and would like to submit an application to the program.

In our small towns (Exeter and West Greenwich with a combined population of about 15,000), we provide a town supported, volunteer run fastpitch softball program for girls ages 6 to 14, with approximately 200 kids in our programs. In addition, we also provide playing and practice fields for both our middle school and high school softball teams.

We have four divisions in our league: an Instructional Division for ages 6 and 7; Junior Division for ages 8 - 11; a Senior Division for ages 12 - 14 and a Travel Division for ages 10U, 12U, and 14U. We have a very successful Recreational League for our girls that runs from April until July. We are now also hosting softball tournaments for other local teams and for teams from Massachusetts and Connecticut that visit during the summer. We are beginning our first "fall ball" program this year due to the great interest in fastpitch softball by the girls in our towns.

EWG Girls Softball League has been trying to raise money for lighting a field for several years. The League has made many other improvements to our softball diamonds (3) but lighting a field is the most difficult and costly project. We have improved the playing surfaces of our fields, added fences and dugouts, and purchased equipment for the kids. To date we have been unable to accomplish lighting a field and would love to have lights on a field to extend the kids playing opportunities and to let them have the experience of "playing under the lights".

I am attaching two photos of our ball park: one of "Opening Day" 2006 and another of one of our groomed fields prior to a playoff game this summer.

Our league, the fathers and mothers of these kids, take great pride in our small facility and want to make it the very best in Rhode Island. I hope that you would agree and help us out.

Could you tell me what form an application must be in and what additional information you will need? Is an email application preferred or are you expecting it by regular mail? Please let me know so I can meet your deadline.

Thanks to you and Granite City Electric for this opportunity. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

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