

List of Projects and Needs 2025

While other schools around San Diego can charge an athlete up to \$400 for a Spirit Pack to play and raise money for their sport, that's not happening at Crawford High. While other schools have Booster Clubs that raise money for the Athletic Dept., that's not happening at Crawford High. Team Crawford Athletic Foundation is the only "Booster Club" for the student/athletes at Crawford High. This is why we need your help. Below is a list of projects and needs for the upcoming year. Please help us meet these needs. We are trying to level the playing field for the athletes.

<u>Lobby Flooring</u> – The lobby flooring in the gym is the same floor that we walked on back in the 60's, patched where needed. We painted the entire lobby, concession stand, and training room but the floor looks terrible. Cost \$9,000.

<u>Scoreboard</u> – A friend donated a \$50,000 scoreboard that was in St. Katherine's University gym. The school district will not pay to have it installed. The final cost is still to be determined, but we estimate that it will cost \$2000-\$5000.

<u>Glass Backboards</u> – The same fan-shaped fiberglass backboards are on the side courts in the gym. The district was going to charge us \$10,000. to install the backboards if we buy them. We would like to host tournaments to raise money for the Basketball programs but won't be able to until these are in place. Cost \$3000-\$6000.

<u>Shoes</u> –We received over 400 pairs of new court shoes in 2021. After four years our shoe inventory is finally depleted. The wrestling team needs 60 pairs each year. Cross Country and Track go through over a hundred pairs per year. Both Basketball

programs need about 30 pairs a season. Football could use 30-40 pairs. The Soccer programs needs 30-40 pairs per year. Cost \$18,000 at \$60.00 per shoe.

<u>Scholarships</u> – Each year we award scholarships to 1-4 student/athletes. They must have a 3.5 gpa, play two sports, and contribute time to their community or Crawford High. The Scholarships are between \$1,500 and \$3000 each. Cost \$1,500 - \$6,000.

<u>Coaching Stipends</u> – The schools athletic dept. budget does not include Freshman Coaching stipends. Each year we pay for boys and girls Soccer, Basketball, and Volleyball freshman coaches. Cost \$10,000 - \$15,000.

<u>Practice Shirts</u> – Last year we provided practice shirts for the athletes. They had none until then. This helps at practices when the athletes are wearing the same uniform and building team unity. Cost \$4,000 - \$5,000.

<u>Laundry</u> – Most students don't have washing machines or dryers. We have come up with a plan that has worked really well this past year. The Special Ed. dept. has washing machines and dryers to help teach the disabled students life skills. We now have the athletes drop off their dirty uniforms in the morning and the Special Ed. students wash and dry them and put them in a bag, and the athlete picks up the clean uniform at the end of the day. Cost per year \$1000.00.

<u>Transportation</u> — The school district does not adequately fund transportation costs for away games. Athletes in other schools around San Diego are told where a game is and are expected to be there at game time. Crawford students don't have cars and most likely their parents don't either. If the coaches and assistant coaches can't get all of their players to a game, they must leave some players behind. We have proposed buying passenger vans for Crawford, but the district wouldn't allow it. Just this year the district has changed it's policy and is allowing schools to purchase 9 passenger vans. We are looking into all possible solutions: buying, renting, leasing, finding someone to donate a new or good used van. Cost \$50,000 — \$60,000 to purchase vans. Cost \$10,000 to supplement existing transportation budget

<u>Travel Fees</u> – The district does not pay for travel costs to local and state CIF playoffs. An example would be Cross Country. They made it to the State Championships in Fresno. We helped the coach lease a van, buy gas, pay for hotel rooms, and provide a small amount for food. Cost \$4000 - \$6000.

<u>Tournament Fees</u> - The teams that wish to participate in tournaments or meets outside of San Diego have the same problem. Most would just like us to pay for the tournament fee, which we do. Last year it was \$900.00 for Cross Country. Boys Basketball was \$450.00. Our teams are getting better, and they need to participate in the tournaments, matches, and meets. Cost \$2,000-4,000.

<u>Equipment</u> – In the past we have provided gloves, bats, helmets, wrestling mats, nets, volleyball systems, rackets, balls and rehab equipment. These are ongoing needs that we try to meet. Cost \$2,000 - \$6,000.

<u>Clothing</u> – There are many Muslim athletes on our teams. The district and school cannot provide personal clothing for individuals. We have been suppling the necessary clothing for the girls who participate in their sport. All of this clothing must be the same or the team is penalized. An example would be basketball. If the girls didn't all have the same uniform, including all Muslim attire being the same, they would start the game with a Technical Foul for each violation. Cost \$500-\$1000.

<u>Events</u> – Each year we volunteer and provide lunch for the districtwide Disabled Sports Carnival held at Crawford. We also, provide pancakes and food for the Athletic Awards Breakfast. At the Athletic Awards Night, we supply desert and beverages. At the TCAF / Milestone Middle Distant Track Meet, we volunteer to run the meet and provide the medals. We also, work the concession stand for all of the home football games. Cost \$1,500 - \$2,000.