



We are Public Tennis!

Learn. Play. Volunteer.

Public Tennis: Who we are, What we do

Public Tennis is a group of volunteers and pros who use our passion for our favorite sport to help kids and adults learn and get in the game.

We see tennis as a community sport, learned and played at **public** facilities. Like our founders over 20 years ago, we're committed to affordable, accessible tennis **for all**.

This means outreach programs, serving those who might not otherwise have access to tennis, and adaptive tennis for special athletes. It also means working closely with local government and advocating for building more public courts!

Our greatest strength is our team of dedicated coaches. Teaching pros, apprentice teen coaches, and over 60 on-court volunteers make it possible to deliver impactful programs which are affordable and, in some cases, free.

Public Tennis programs include youth, adult and family clinics, Special Olympics and adaptive programs, summer camps, and Phys Ed classes at elementary schools. Our learning activities use tennis creatively as an opportunity for personal growth, and to explore and learn life-enhancing and academic skills.

To deliver programs, we partner with Hilton Head Island Recreation, Beaufort County Parks & Recreation, SOAR Special Recreation, and the school districts of Beaufort County and Jasper County. We work at 2 public parks and with 10 public schools, introducing tennis to hundreds of school children yearly, coaching approximately 140 youth and adult special athletes, and conducting clinics with approximately 200 youth participants yearly.

We are a 501c3 charitable nonprofit, funded by donations, regional and national grants, and from the proceeds of a popular local program called Adult Team Tennis and the Hilton Head Island Pro League. We subsidize fee-based programs and we sponsor players as needed.

We are a USTA Community Tennis Association and a USTA Foundation NJTL Chapter, bringing the benefits of our shared values and resources to our service area.

Public Tennis ... play with us, coach with us, partner with us ... let's grow tennis together!