

FUNDRAISING

Colorado Storm offers members the opportunity to work during bingo sessions to raise money and help offset team related soccer expenses.

Colorado Storm is allowed to conduct bingo sessions due to our non-profit status with the IRS. Any money earned from bingo can only be used for expenses in the support of the nonprofit. Funds raised through bingo are credited at the team level on tax free basis. Therefore, money cannot be paid directly to families by the Treasurer. All funds raised through bingo should be kept in the team account and used to pay for allowable soccer expenses as listed below.

Money earned from bingo (or grocery rebates) can be used for the following items:

- Storm Registration Fees
- Storm Camp Fees
- Storm Team Tournament Fees
- Player Travel Expenses
- Chaperone Travel Expenses
 - Parent travel is only reimbursable if the parent is serving as the team Chaperone or parent travel is required by the team.
- Storm Coach Travel Expenses
- Storm Uniforms
- Storm Team Fees – e.g., indoor space, referees, etc.

When possible, the team treasurer should allocate money directly from a player account to cover allowable expenses. However, families are allowed to provide original receipts to treasurers and ask for reimbursement of Storm related soccer expenses listed above. Treasurers should keep these receipts as part of the team files. Storm reserves the right to audit these receipts upon request.

It is also important to note that if a player leaves the club for any reason, any monies raised through bingo or grocery rebates remaining in the player's account will stay with the club.

Bingo checks are mailed to team Treasurers on the 15th of each month. Bingo workers should **NOT** rely on fundraising money being available prior to payment due dates. It is up to each family to pay required team and registration fees on time.

Colorado Storm hosts 12 bingo sessions a week at two different bingo halls:

Barry's Bingo

1860 S. Federal Blvd
Denver, CO 80219
Tuesday 12pm & 7pm
Wednesday 7pm
Friday 7pm & 10pm
Saturday 12pm, 7pm & 10pm
costormbingo@gmail.com

Turn Bingo - Arvada

5390 Sheridan Blvd
Arvada, CO 80002
Friday 7:30pm & 10:30pm
Saturday 7pm & 10pm
stormbingoarvada@gmail.com

Parents who are interested in working bingo to help offset Storm related expenses should email the contacts listed above. Sign-ups for bingo are done quarterly.

Families are limited to 4 sessions per month for weekend sessions.

Please be aware that training/shadowing is required to work in certain positions.

If you are signed up to work a session and can't attend, you must find a sub.

If you have any questions regarding bingo, please contact a bingo manager or the Colorado Storm Director of Finance and Administration, Monica Burgeson – mburgeson@coloradostorm.com or call our office at (303) 799-0151.