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## Members of the USA Deaflympic Team receive support from the Dr. Glenn Anderson Diversity and Equity Fund.

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For the first time in history, 28 members of the 2022 US Deaflympic Team have been awarded funds from the USA Deaf Sports Federation Dr. Glenn Anderson Diversity and Equity Fund.

After the Fund launched two years ago, intensive fundraising efforts allowed for funding for 28 Black, Indigenous, and People of Color athletes who are currently training for the 24th Summer Deaflympics in Caxias do Sul, Brazil in May 2022.

One athlete commented, "A HUGE thank you for the fund as it will be a TREMENDOUS help in fundraising money for the Deaflympics. You just took a huge weight off my shoulders. I cannot thank you all enough for considering and choosing me as a recipient and I intend to represent the USA proudly while in Brazil. Thank you so much."

The Dr. Glenn Anderson Diversity and Equity Fund provides financial support to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color athletes who train for and participate in international competitions for the United States or Black, Indigenous, and People of Color non-athletes for development and training purposes within USADSF. To learn more, please visit:

[usdeafsports.org/awards](https://usdeafsports.org/awards).

Individuals can donate to the fund at [usdeafsports.kindful.com](https://usdeafsports.kindful.com) or by participating in the 3rd annual USADSF Dr. Glenn Anderson Diversity and Equity 5K in Fall 2022.

***USADSF Vision: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Americans shall thrive in all aspects of sport and society with the full provision of equal access and barrier-free participation. The United States Deaflympics and National Teams shall serve as an exemplary model of equity, inclusion, and excellence.***

***USADSF Mission: Empower USA Deaflympic and Deaf National Teams to continuously reach their highest competitive potential and promote accessible and inclusive sports environments and experiences for Deaf and Hard of Hearing athletes.***

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