Please see the message below that the National Governing Bodies (NGB) received from the United States Olympic Paralympic Committee (USOPC) regarding potential Small Business Administration loans that could be available to volleyball clubs.

The small business loan assistance provided by the Small Business Administration (SBA) are not available to NGBs or most Regions, including North Country Region, because of our status as registered nonprofits. After further research, we believe that some active USA Volleyball clubs that are set up as for profit entities may qualify for loan assistance.

The Small Business Administration is offering disaster assistance loans related to the coronavirus/COVID-19. The link takes the user to a page with an additional COVID Aid link at the top of the page. The user should follow the link.

According to the Congressional Research Service, the SBA has defined “Small Business” as (see page 8):

- organized for profit;
- has a place of business in the United States;
- operates primarily within the United States or makes a significant contribution to the U.S. economy through payment of taxes or use of American products, materials, or labor;
- is independently owned and operated;
- is not dominant in its field on a national basis;
- does not exceed size standards established, and updated periodically, by the SBA