

Bid Bowl

Sports Event & Franchise Bidding Highlights

EVENT	STATUS	HISTORY	INSIDE TRACK
International Olympic Committee 2012 Winter Youth Olympic Games	Open for bids through March 6, 2008	Inaugural event	The first Winter Youth Olympic Games will take place in 2012, following the launch of the summer event in 2010. Both events will occur every four years. U.S. cities must first win approval from the USOC as the national candidate city before being submitted to the IOC. The bid process will formally open on January 21. Countries must submit their candidate cities by March 6 with bid documents to follow by June 19. The IOC will then announce the shortlist of finalists on August 4. The IOC Evaluation Commission will issue a report by the end of October. After a recommendation from the IOC Executive Board, the final vote will be in November. For more information, visit www.olympic.org .
National Collegiate Table Tennis Association 2009 College Table Tennis National Championships	Open for bids through March 1, 2008	Rochester (MN), 2008; Columbus (OH), 2007; Las Vegas, 2006	This event has been held annually since 2000 and grows every year. Usually held in a large gym on a college campus, this three-day event generates about 225 hotel room nights for competitors alone. The event draws approximately 200–250 competitors and 800–1,000 spectators. For more information, contact Joseph Wells at (850) 445-0780 or vicepresident@nctta.org .
National Congress of State Games 2011 State Games of America	Open for bids	Colorado Springs, 2005, 2007 & 2009; Hartford, 2003; St. Louis, 1999 & 2001	This Olympic-style multisport national event, held every two years, is a competition for athletes of all ages and abilities. Medal winners from State Games nationwide earn the right to compete against winners from other states. The 2007 games in Colorado Springs attracted more than 10,000 athletes from 37 states. Athletes competed in 29 sports over four days in front of 15,000 spectators. The games had an economic impact of \$11 million. The opening ceremony takes place in a large facility and the variety of sports requires several venues. For more information, contact Pete Lampman at (540) 343-0987 or pete@commonwealthgames.org . Additional information and an RFP can be found at www.stategames.org .
U.S. Figure Skating 2010 U.S. Championships	Open for bids	Cleveland, 2009; St. Paul, 2008; Spokane, 2007; St. Louis, 2006; Portland (OR), 2005; Atlanta, 2004	Held annually since 1914, this event crowns 12 national champions at three levels and in four disciplines. The event draws 1,500 athletes, coaches and officials along with 100,000 spectators during the eight-day competition. The championships generate a combined economic impact of approximately \$20 million. For more information, contact Bob Dunlop at (719) 635-5200 or bdunlop@usfigureskating.org .
U.S. Figure Skating 2009 Skate America	Open for bids	Everett (WA), 2008; Reading (PA), 2007; Hartford (CT), 2006; Atlantic City, 2005; Pittsburgh, 2004; Reading, 2003	This annual international competition hosted by U.S. Figure Skating serves as the first event of the International Skating Union's Grand Prix Series. The three-day competition has a rich tradition dating back to 1979. The event features 60 athletes from approximately 15 nations. The competition will also be televised internationally. For more information, contact Bob Dunlop at (719) 635-5200 or bdunlop@usfigureskating.org .

Recently Awarded

DENVER, COLORADO

U.S. Lacrosse WDIA National Championship, May 6–10
Venue: Dick's Sporting Goods Park
Contact: Metro Denver Sports Commission at (303) 534-5517

EVERETT, WASHINGTON

U.S. Figure Skating 2008 Skate America Championships, October 24–26
Venue: Comcast Arena at Everett Events Center
Contact: Snohomish County Sports Commission at (425) 348-5802

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Ironman 70.3 Kansas, June 15
Venue: Clinton Lake
Contact: Lawrence Convention & Visitors Bureau at (888) 529-5267

LINCOLN, CALIFORNIA

West Regional, Division I Women's Golf Championships, May 8–10
Venue: Lincoln Hills Golf Club
Contact: Placer Valley Tourism at (916) 773-5400

ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA

2008 Senior Softball USA Northern Championships, May 15–18
Venue: McQuillan Softball Complex
Contact: Rochester Amateur Sports Commission at (507) 288-4331

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

2009 National Beep Baseball Association World Series, July 26–August 2
Venue: Stockton Soccer Complex
Contact: Stockton Sports Commission at (209) 937-5058

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

2008 Pennsylvania State USBC Pepsi Youth Championships, May 16–18
Venue: Hanover Bowling Center and Suburban Bowlerama
Contact: York County Convention & Visitor's Bureau at (888) 858-9675



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