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Region 2

Recreation/Grassroots Plan

Services

Short-Term

- Develop a “Fun Five” series of coaching activities for the recreation/grassroots/TOPSoccer coaches.
- Recreation/Grassroots Coaches “Webinars”
- “Ideas to Improve your Recreation/Community Program “Webinar”
- Aid in setting up “Recreation/Grassroots” Days throughout Region 2. Similar to what is done in Europe.
- Aid Region 2 Directors of Coaching in setting up National Youth Licenses.



Services

Short Term

- Develop a “Future Coaches Program” in all of the states for Region 2.
- Help improve the US Youth Region 2 website specifically for grassroots players and coaches.
 - Videos for players
 - Individual Practice ideas for players (ISoccer)
 - Lessons (teamwork, sportsmanship, honesty)
- Region 2 Accreditation programming
- Develop “Parent Promise” cards for each state in Region 2



Services Long Term

- Develop a “STARS” program for players.
 - Work with local colleges and universities
 - Skills clinics before and after games.
- Develop an event competition for each state specifically for the recreation/grassroots. Similar to what is seen in Europe.
 - Events can be held in baseball stadiums (minor league, MLB) and soccer stadiums



Services Long Term

- Development of Futsal throughout Region 2.
- Development of integrating and registering schools.
- Develop a schools soccer program.
- Develop a “Grassroots Best” Program
- Develop a “soccer retention” program
- Develop a program similar to the English FA’s RESPECT Program



Other items

- Parent Education
- Operations Manual for Recreation Directors of Coaching
- Introducing “Practice Games” for both player, parent, and coach education

