Established as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of Yancey County, North Carolina, it shall be the purpose of Toe Valley Soccer Association, Inc. (TVSA) to foster the physical, mental, and emotional growth of amateur athletes in Yancey County and its' surrounding communities, regardless of race, gender, color, ethnic heritage, or ability, through the sport of soccer at all levels of age and competition by establishing programs and activities that focus on the development, promotion, teaching, and administration of the game of soccer.

TVSA is directed at youths from Yancey County and its' surrounding communities aged four through eighteen years of age. The activities under this program include practices, clinics, tournaments, and training programs in conjunction with the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association Inc, The United States Youth Soccer Association Inc, and the United States Soccer Federation Inc USSF.

TVSA will operate two league seasons per year: August through November and March through June and will include a recreational league and multiple tiers of competitive leagues. Players for the recreation league will be equally distributed among each team while players vying for competitive teams will be assessed and placed on each team by its' respective coach under the supervision of a Director of Coaching. Whether recreational or competitive, though, all players will receive ample opportunity to play in both practices and games.

Player's registration fees are kept as low as possible while securing uniforms, volunteer background checks, practice equipment, game equipment, tournament fees, field rental, referee fees (under the auspices the North Carolina State Referees Association,) and other operating expenses. The League will also work to ensure that no athlete will forfeit their opportunity to play based upon their financial situation.

In addition to its' league duties, TVSA will provide other opportunities for soccer education:

- A no cost, three day camp offered each year in the month of July or August open to all players and under the direct supervision of TVSA coaches and volunteers.
- A no cost, one day recreation "road-show" offered once per year, open to all players, and under the supervision of NCYSA's recreation department
- A five day camp offered by NCYSA.
- In the summer months, TVSA will organize weekly "pick-up" games with minimal supervision (for injury prevention) to allow players to learn the game through trial and error.
- A partnership with Mountain Heritage High School allowing free entry to all soccer games for all current TVSA players as well as a yearly soccer workshop supervised by the High School players and coaches.

All board members, administrators, coaches, and managers are volunteers. TVSA will provide education courses for all volunteers. These courses will be under the supervision and authorization of NCYSA and/or USSF and will ensure that each volunteer is able to maintain a safe, educational, and ultimately enjoyable experience for every player.

League duties will comprise, roughly, 80% of the corporation's time and the other events and training sessions will comprise roughly 20%.

The organization and its' activities will be marketed through flyers, word of mouth, email, and the league website <u>www.toevalleysoccer.org</u>. The program will be funded through registration fees, sponsorships, fundraisers, donations, and grants. TVSA may also sell league merchandise through the website, but these activities will represent an unsubstantial amount of time and effort or revenue for the organization.