

Tahoe-Reno in race to host 2022 Winter Games

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You're concerned that your 2012 Chevy Tahoe isn't going to make it up to Squaw Valley this time.

It's made it time and time again for a day on Squaw's famed 1960 Olympic terrain or to Mt. Rose for the kids' lessons. But it's 10 years old now and has 140,000 miles on it. You were just happy to get to Mackay Stadium the other night so you could join tens of thousands in Reno and millions around the world who watched the opening ceremonies on TV.

You've sacrificed. Sure, you could have upgraded to a newer SUV. But the kids and their activities always came first.



One resort is no longer able to host an entire Olympics.

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So, today you press on, fingers crossed. You have the tickets, and your children – whom you thought at one time might be Olympians themselves one day – are eager to see Lake Tahoe's latest Winter Games superstar and maybe even get her autograph.

On this day, a February afternoon in 2022, tomorrow's Julia Mancuso gushes with pride as she represents her country and her hometown.

This isn't a dream. It's all very real and very possible.

After multiple unfulfilled or truncated attempts dating back as far as the 1980s, Reno-Tahoe is in the hunt for the Games again. The pieces must rightly fall into place, but the Reno-Tahoe Winter Games Coalition's interest in bidding for the 2022 Winter Games is a serious one.

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