



BECAUSE OF YOU...

The Y is reducing all financial barriers for tweens and teens! 100% scholarship for kids meeting the program requirements for these targeted summer programs including Leadership Development Program & Counselor Development Leadership Program at Lake Wenatchee Y Camp, AND Extreme Teens, AND Volleyball Camp, only the registration fee is needed to participate.

Dear Wenatchee Rotary ClubWenatchee Rotary Club ,

We have surpassed our goal by 137% and are now giving back to families!! You have helped us double all scholarship awards for every scholarship recipient of our summer programs and camps AND we were able to replace a camp vehicle to get kids up the on the trails for their hiking adventures.

Please read the heartfelt gratitude below.

Mason learned about summer camp and has been eager to give it a try. Since unfortunately while I was waiting for him to turn 7, his father & I divorced. I am now a single mom of 2 small children. We live off of a small amount of child support equalling less than \$10,000 per year. We definitely will need help beyond the typical 30% scholarship. The cost of a mini camp session would be about 65% of a whole months income. We are dependent upon our monthly income to keep our basic bills, water, power, gas, phone, garbage, etc. in order. It doesn't leave that kind of wiggle room. Thank you for taking a moment to read this. Mason would be such a good camper!
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Tim McElravy, Lake Wenatchee YMCA Camp Director July 7, 2022

The last campfire on the last night of a session of camp is always special and magical. As we concluded our campfire with the usual hugs and tearful goodbyes I was reminded once again why I do this job and why I love it so much.

A young boy of 12 years old, his parents incarcerated, thanked me for letting him come to this camp saying he'll never forget it.

A young staff member who flew across the country from podunk Kansas and was nervous as heck about whether or not he'd be a "good camp counselor" had an amazing week and found his confidence.

A young girl who's been coming to this camp for several years gave me a tear filled hug and told me that I am the closest thing to a father she's ever had...wow.

I love all these kids and all these staff...this ain't just a job. It's my calling...these kids bless me more than I could ever bless them. I am living the dream.

