



KIDSTM in CAMP

The Path To Summer Adventures

ANNUAL GRATITUDE REPORT 2023

We provide financial support of camperships at Ontario Camps Association accredited camps through contributions from individuals, corporations, agencies, events and other promotions.

We strive to give opportunities for children to develop long lasting relationships and to acquire life long skills and an appreciation of the natural environment.



We Truly Appreciate Your Generous Support

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

We are grateful to report that with the generous support of our many donors, in 2023, KIC enabled 244 campers to attend 51 day and overnight Ontario Camps Association camps.

Reading the reports from each one of these recent campers confirms the considerable, positive, impact of camp. Consistently, the campers describe their time in superlatives: "awesome," "amazing," "incredible," "great," "100%." They repeatedly mentioned a desire to return to camp.

Their comments remind us of all the benefits that camp offers. Many mention the joy of seeing old friends and making new ones. Gillian, fifteen, expresses it simply, "The friends I made will be forever friends."

Campers often mention their appreciation for their counsellors and other staff members. Fourteen-year-old Emma tells us, "My cabin leader was very kind and supportive. It was my first time away from home and I really appreciated her friendship." Even at an early age, the campers recognize the positive influence of these summer role models. Charlotte, age nine, mentions, "My counsellors were helpful, good influences and made me laugh and feel safe." Gabriella, fifteen, is grateful that, "The staff are so encouraging. We learn to respect rules and set boundaries." Thirteen-year-old Nick particularly enjoyed the efforts of the kitchen staff, "I need to remember to give my compliments to the chef!"

It is reassuring to read that campers appreciate being outdoors, immersed in the natural world, and off their phones and other screens. David, fifteen, tells us, "I could genuinely walk around all day taking in the camp's amazing beauty and serenity." Tatam, also fifteen, records, "I love the nature here; it's soooooo pretty. Sometimes I just sit and stare at it."

Not only do the campers enjoy a happy, carefree, fun-filled summer experience, they also learn, grow and develop. Twelve-year-old Mackenzie "learned to be independent." Tristan, fifteen, tells us, "I learned manners (elbows off the table) and how much fun it is to step back from my normal schedule and get out of my comfort zone." Fourteen-year-old Jonathan tells us that "coming to camp has made me more mature." Raquel's first rotation as a C.I.T "was a meaningful experience." For sixteen-year-old David "camp has been life changing!"

The world would be a better place if all children and youth enjoyed some time at camp. We are blessed that in Canada, many children do experience a safe, welcoming, happy, beautiful, caring, time at

camp. Thank you for your generous support in helping the thousands of campers who have benefitted from Kids in Camp support and making a positive difference in these young lives.

Grayson Burke and others from Cedar Ridge Camp once again fundraised for KIC with their annual, September, Hilly Half Marathon.

In particular we recognize Asher Gelfand from Camp Manitou who raised \$20,123 for Kids in Camp for his Bar Mitzvah. Thank you, Asher, for your incredible donation!

The Jamie Farrow Memorial Fund was established in 2021 to honour the life and memory of Jamie Farrow who died tragically at the age of thirty-four in a workplace accident. This fund, initially of over \$75,000, is made up of donations from friends, family, co-workers, and his employers at Western Mechanical and Electric Millwright Services. Jamie was an avid outdoors person who learned many of his skills at Bark Lake and had an appreciation of how important camp and the outdoors was to his own development. The family felt that the best way to honour his memory was to assist children to enjoy the values of summer camp. These funds are being used by Kids in Camp for camperships, equally over a period of five years beginning in 2022. To know that this fund allows so many children to go to camp is a great way to celebrate Jamie's life.

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Camp Manitou	Camp Wenonah	Ranch Big Clear Lake	Willowgrove Day Camp
Camp Maple Leaf	Camp Winston	Lubavitch Day Camp	

Our Campers Need Camp More Than Ever

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND SURPLUS

for the year ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 212,416	\$ 170,745
Fundraising, net	0	8,982
Interest	8,718	1,093
Total Revenue	221,134	180,820
Administrative Expenses	50,251	47,655
Income from Operations	170,883	133,165
Camperships Provided	110,864	75,954
Net Income (loss)	60,019	57,211
Surplus, Beginning of Year	346,780	289,569
Surplus, End of Year	406,799	346,780

Audited financial statements available upon request.

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