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FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT® FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Annual Campaign YMCA CAMP KERN

CAMPING WITH THE Y. A CAUSE YOU CAN BELIEVE IN.



Friends of YMCA Camp Kern call it their second home. We call them our family. The thousands of people who join us here and support our cause are our greatest resource when it comes to providing experiences for youth development and skills for healthy living, which promote social responsibility for all.

What if we could harness that power to make an even greater difference on a bigger scale?

YMCA Camp Kern has an invaluable impact on children, campers and families by offering outdoor experiences to build an appreciation for the natural world, opportunities for families to come together, and summer camps for children to develop lifelong values.

Our communities face new challenges that create a greater need for the work we do. Fortunately, where some see obstacles, we see opportunities for our participants, volunteers, staff, and generous donors like you. After all, camping with the Y is a cause you can believe in.

Every person can benefit from camp. Every gift makes a difference. Everyone has a role to play.

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TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH MORE.

MARK R. SENT US THE FOLLOWING LETTER:

"Sean LOVES Camp Kern. LOVES it. LOVES every minute of every day he is there. He never wants to come home when he is at Camp Kern. He has learned and experienced so much during his multiple years of Summer Camp. Sean's sister Annabelle is 6 years older, and we had participated in the YMCA Adventure Princess weekends at Camp Kern, as well as multiple Main and Ranch Camps. I started Adventure Guide weekends with Sean at an early age and soon he started summer camps. He's now 13 and just attended the Pioneer Village and LOVED it!

So what's the secret ingredient? Sean likes meeting new friends, enjoys the challenge of the games, and the climbing wall and this year the high-wire course. Most of all though he enjoys the counselors from around the world and local it doesn't matter. He also enjoys seeing new and familiar faces each year. He's always been pretty social, and is a happy kid, but has become more confident and adventurous from Camp Kern Summer Camps.

He'll be back next year, and the year after that ... plans to be a counselor himself one day."





Any amount will contribute to our scholarship fund that allows us to give hundreds of kids a camp experience that builds friendships, confidence and character. Please designate where you wish your scholarship dollars to go:
Residential Camp
Teen leadership Camp
Equestrian / Ranch Camp
Outdoor Education (School based programming)

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Please consider donating to YMCA Camp Kern. Camping with the Y allows kids to be kids again. They will walk away from their camping experience with a new sense of confidence and a better idea of who they really are. They will learn that it is ok to be disconnected from their cell phones and tablets, and that real friendships are made face to face, while tackling a new problem or learning a new skill together. They will appreciate being outside, and the joy of free play. They will sing. They will laugh. They will play. Every child deserves this chance. As YMCA Camp Kern serves thousands of families each year, your gift helps to make this experience available to everyone. To be a part of what we do, simply fill out the pledge form below and we will contact you to set up payment.

Name		

Email

Preferred method of contact: Email / Phone

Pledge amount Campaigner_ Feel free to pledge any amount outside of the suggestions above. Check Enclosed (please make all checks payable to YMCA Camp Kern)

Phone

Return completed form to YMCA Camp Kern, 5291 State Route 350, Oregonia, OH 45054/ Fax: 513-932-8607 or email to caddison@daytonymca.org



\$600 - Pays for a full week of camp for a child in need, so they can learn, grow, play and make real connections with new friends.
1200 – Gives two children in need a summer camp experience filled with new challenges.

\$2500 - Allows four children in need to be involved in Leadership Development programs.

If you have questions about donating please contact Chris Addison, Branch Executive at 513-932-3756 / caddison@daytonymca.org

You can also donate online at www.ymca-online.org. Select 'About Us' and then 'Online Giving'. Please select 'Camp Kern' as the specific campaign.

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YMCA CAMP KERN www.campkern.org Find out how you can help 513-923-3756

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

All kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve, under the guidance of adults who care about them and believe in their potential. We see every interaction with young people as an opportunity for learning and development.

HEALTHY LIVING

Health and well-being are all about balance. That's why we help people and families build and maintain healthy habits for spirit, mind, and body in their everyday lives. By helping kids, adults, families, and seniors from all backgrounds improve their health and well-being, we build a stronger community.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

With our camp open to all, we work every day to connect people from all backgrounds and support those who need us most. We take on the most urgent needs in our communities and inspire a spirit of service in return. Our participants, volunteers, donors, and staff demonstrate the power of what we can achieve by giving back together.