



# GIVE FOR A BETTER US

Staff at YMCA Camp Potawotami focus on the A, B, C's of camping. We work to increase campers' sense of accomplishment and belonging while teaching positive character traits and values.

**ACCOMPLISHMENT** – Campers gain a sense of accomplishment by trying new activities and developing skills. Real world achievements raise the self-confidence and self-esteem of each camper.

**BELONGING** – New friendships help campers experience a sense of belonging. Sharing a cabin with fellow campers teaches friendship building and teamwork. Each person is a valued part of the community.

**CHARACTER** – Campers develop character as they grow through new challenges. Camp emphasizes learning, growing and doing your best.

>>> Your donation goes directly to help families like Leslie and her son Gabriel

"During Gabriel's time at camp he has become more confident. He was definitely nervous during drop off, but he had such a great time. Being alone with new kids forced him to be sociable. Camp has helped Gabriel develop independence. While at Camp Potawotami he learned to appreciate nature and outdoor activities. Gabriel loves horses and at camp he had the opportunity to spend the week riding and taking care of them. During the school year there is a lot of homework. Camp allows Gabriel a week to unplug from everything and just enjoy nature. He especially loves learning about archery and shooting BB guns.

Camp Potawotami has impacted our family by creating an experience that we can talk about throughout the year. During much of the year we are focused on school work and it is not easy for Gabriel to maintain high grades. Camp Potawotami is something we can discuss that is not stressful. He shares his fun experiences and we have a good laugh together. Gabriel's favorite memory and story from Camp Potawotami is the mud hike. He is amazed that he can wade around in the mud and not get in trouble.

We love Camp Potawotami and appreciate everyone behind the scenes making it possible."

–Leslie

## Your Gift In Action

**Every dollar donated to the YMCA Camp Potawotami Annual Campaign has a lasting impact on our community.**

**In 2019 financial assistance allowed 82 youth to experience all that summer resident camp has to offer.**

**\$100** Provides horseback riding lessons.

**\$125** Helps a child experience one overnight at camp.

**\$400** Deepens a teenager's character through 1 week at Y Teen Leadership resident camp.

**\$675** Sends 1 child to a week of overnight summer camp where they build self-confidence and increase self esteem.

## Through Your Generosity, Together We Will:

- Ensure that life-enriching overnight camp is available to all young people.
- Increase campers' sense of accomplishment and belonging while they learn positive character traits.
- Give kids a chance to unplug from technology, make friends and fully experience the benefits of outdoors.



## Donor Giving Levels

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