How is the Greenwich Campership Program Funded?

The Greenwich Campership program is staffed and coordinated by the Greenwich Department of Human Services in partnership with the community. Contributions from concerned citizens, corporations, and community groups provide the scholarships for Greenwich children and Senior Citizens.

The number of children and Senior Citizens requesting Camperships increases every year. Camp costs increase too. The average cost for two weeks at a local day camp for children is $400; for 3 weeks, $525. A one-week camp vacation for a Senior Citizen is $285.

You can help make this summer a very special time for a child or Senior Citizen. Send a tax-deductible contribution today.

The Department of Human Services Fund, Inc. was created to raise and distribute funds for programs administered by the Department of Human Services. It is a registered public charity with 501(c)(3) status. Donors have the option of making a donation online at: greenwichdhsfund.org

For more information, call us today.

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For over fifty years, the Greenwich Campership program has made it possible for children from low-income Greenwich families to enjoy a memorable and fun-filled experience at summer camp. Full or partial camperships are available to many local day camps, such as the Boys & Girls Club and YWCA, and several sleep-away camps. Camp placement depends on the family’s financial situation and the special needs of the child.

At camp, children have an opportunity to meet new friends, play sports, and participate in arts and crafts in a positive and supervised environment. A camp experience can stimulate new interests and help a child develop social skills and a more positive self image.

Senior Citizens age 55 and older can also attend camp through the Greenwich Campership program. They spend one week at The Salvation Army’s Conri Lodge, in Ashford, CT. Seniors enjoy shuffleboard, swimming in a cool lake, boat rides, international food festivals, and a variety of other summertime activities.

Camp provides Seniors an excellent change of scenery and the opportunity to become involved in group activities and meet new people from throughout the northeast region.

Who is Eligible for a Campership?

Children ages 5-14 and Senior Citizens age 55 and older who are Greenwich residents may apply for camperships. Information regarding special needs, family income, and other significant factors will be requested and reviewed by a Department professional to determine eligibility for financial help.

Referrals are accepted from school personnel, social service agencies, parents and guardians, and prospective Senior campers. A special effort is made to provide camperships for children of working parents who need to make child care arrangements during the summer months.

Transportation

The Department of Human Services provides transportation to most camps free of charge for children who receive camperships, but do not have transportation to and from camp. Senior Citizens are also transported to camp free of charge.

Volunteers Are Also Needed

Volunteers serve as the backbone of the Greenwich Campership program by assisting with camp registration. If you or your group would like to help by donating your time, please call us today at (203) 622-3715.

Thank you for your support!