Camp Boggy Creek Fact Sheet

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Mission: To foster a spirit of joy by creating a free, safe and medically-sound camp environment that enriches the lives of children with serious illnesses and their families.


Founders: The Camp was co-founded by actor/philanthropist Paul Newman and General H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Facility: 232 acres, 45 buildings, including 16 camper cabins, medical center, dining hall, swim center, stable and nature barn, sports & recreation center, arts & crafts center and theater.

Sessions: Open year round with weekly summer sessions for children and in the spring and fall for our family retreat program, serving children and their families.

Campers: Since opening, over 85,000 children living with serious illnesses and family members have been served, all at no cost to them.

Volunteers: We rely on over 1,800 volunteers each year. Volunteers need to be at least 19 years of age, undergo a background check and screening interviews.

Population: Children ages 7 through 16 with one of the following diseases, illnesses or conditions: asthma (severe), bleeding disorders and hemophilia, cancer, craniofacial disorders, diabetes, epilepsy, heart/cardiovascular, immune deficiency, gastrointestinal illnesses, kidney disease, rheumatic disease, ventilator assisted disorders, sickle cell anemia, spina bifida and transplants.

Cost: Campers and their family members do not pay to attend Camp Boggy Creek. The nearly $5 million annual operating budget is funded by donations from individuals, corporations, foundations and healthcare partners.

Activities: Swimming, boating, fishing, arts & crafts, horseback riding, theater, archery, mini golf, dancing, singing and adventure activities.

Associations: Camp Boggy Creek is a proud member of the SeriousFun Children’s Network.

Accreditations: Camp Boggy Creek is constructed to the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act and is accredited by the highly respected American Camp Association.