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Camp Korey

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Organization's General Goals:

Camp Korey is named for Korey Rose, a vivacious teen who lost his battle with bone cancer at age eighteen. His father, Tim Rose, founded Camp Korey in 2005 with his family to honor Korey's memory and create a safe haven for other families dealing with childhood illness and serious medical conditions.

Date of Award:

2021 Q2

Level:

\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Camp Korey.

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CAMP KOREY 2021 REPORT

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Marilyn Sheldon, Director
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January 21, 2022

Dear Mrs. Sheldon and Tulalip Tribes Charitable
Contributions Committee Members,

Thank you for your generous grant of \$[REDACTED] in
support of Camp for Children with Rare Genetic
Disorders. Thanks to your support, 2021 has been an
amazing year of growth and perseverance for Camp
Korey and the campers and families we serve.



In 2021, Camp Korey served a total of **1,822 children and family members** including hundreds who returned to on-site programs at Camp Korey after a year of virtual programs. We were able to keep families safe through pre-arrival COVID PCR tests, onsite daily rapid testing, extraordinary sanitation, and masking. To ensure social distancing, most activities were moved outdoors or held in spaces dedicated to individual families during their stay. Each family had their very own cabin and dining tent. "Clean Teams" were put into place and followed families at each activity area to sanitize common areas between uses. We also offered virtual programs for children and families who could not attend camp in person. It was a tremendous effort that resulted in a whole lot of fun and zero families contracting COVID.

Thanks to generous community partners like Tulalip Tribes, Camp Korey continues to offer all camp programs 100% free of charge to families. As seen in the included photos, perhaps more than any other year, campers, siblings, and parents thoroughly enjoyed their experience at Camp Korey. Many families told us that attending Camp Korey was their first major outing since the pandemic began. Thank you for making it possible!

With gratitude,

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*"The Camp Korey team went above
and beyond to make sure that our
experience at camp was memorable,
fun, relaxing and safe."
– Camper parent*

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Demographics

- The majority of Camp Korey families are from Washington state (91%), with the remaining 9% of camper families joined us from California, Colorado, Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon, Texas, and Puerto Rico.
- 42% of our camper families identify as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color)
- 34% of households meet the threshold of low income, with 10% at or below the Federal Poverty Level
- Ages served: 7 and under (8%), 8-12 (48%), 13-15 (18%), 16+ (26%)
- Medical condition groups included:
 - Burn Survivors
 - Cancer
 - Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia
 - Craniofacial Anomalies
 - Dermatologic Disorders
 - Differences in Sex Development
 - Endocrinology
 - Genitourinary Disorders
 - GI Disorders
 - Metabolic Disorders
 - Mitochondrial Disorders
 - Neurofibromatosis
 - Neurological Disorders
 - Orthopedic Disorders
 - Reconstructive Pelvic Medicine
 - Sickle Cell Disease
 - Skeletal Dysplasia
 - Solid Organ Transplant
 - Turner Syndrome

Highlights

- **20** children and their family members connected and bonded during Solid Organ Transplant Spring Family Weekend.
- Eight sessions of Family Summer Camp served **202** kids and family members, who enjoyed a safe and socially-distanced week of fun! Activities included archery, adaptive cycling, horseback riding, swimming, arts & crafts, theater, s'mores and singing around the campfire, and lots of laughter with new friends.
- Family Summer Camp also continued programming in partnership with from the Hibulb Cultural Center & Natural History Preserve Center. For seven sessions, volunteers took the stage at Camp Korey's amphitheater to share Tulalip Tribes' culture, history, and traditions with campers, staff, and volunteers. Campers learned about the importance of salmon and crab in the history and culture of the Tulalip Tribes, enjoyed storytelling with "Her First Basket," and received miniature cedar paddles that they could sand and decorate with their families.



- Seven Family Day Adventures enabled **190** campers and family members to enjoy fun-filled events at Woodland Park Zoo, Magnusson Park, Old McDebbie's Farm and Jim's U-Fish, I-Fly Indoor Skydiving, and the Bellingham Bells Baseball Club.
- Camp to You Hospital Outreach delivered more than **575** sanitized activity kits and care packages to pediatric patients at Seattle Children's Hospital, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, Randall Children's Hospital, and Ronald McDonald House in Seattle.
- **135** children and family members attended 5 Fall Family Weekends for kids with conditions that include sickle cell disease, inflammatory bowel disease, and skeletal dysplasia.
- **263** families for a fun-filled Fall Harvest Drive-Thru
- Dozens of children, family member, staff, and volunteers shared holiday cheer through our Warm Fuzzy Gift Exchange in December.

Impact

Camp changes lives. In 2021, SeriousFun Children's Network, in partnership with the American Institute for Research (AIR), surveyed more than 2,200 alumni of SeriousFun camps, including Camp Korey. They asked alumni ages 17-30, from eight different counties including the United States, what personal, social, and health-related outcomes were influenced by their experience at a SeriousFun Camp. The most common outcomes that alumni reported as being influenced by their time at camp were:

- Willingness to try new things, 90%
- Appreciation of diversity, 88%
- Self-identity, 86%
- Empathy and compassion, 86%
- Self-confidence, 85%
- Perseverance, 84%
- Friendship skills, 82%



"I wanted to express my sincere appreciation to all of the staff and volunteers at Camp Korey. We had the amazing opportunity to attend your Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Family Weekend camp and my kids have been raving about it ever since! On the way home, my son said 'I'm creating Camp Korey in Minecraft so the memories will always be with me.' I was so impressed with how you catered to our every need, including providing a Specific Carbohydrate Diet chef for meals and snacks. Your team went above and beyond to make sure our experience at camp was memorable, fun, relaxing, and safe. Our kids have made positive memories that will be a part of them forever. We look forward to another Camp Korey adventure in the future!"

--Camper Parent, Fall 2021



Thank you Tulalip Tribes!