



THE PARTNERSHIP MODEL

Creating a Better Future... TOGETHER!

OVERVIEW

The partnership model of camping revolves around collaboration with multiple nonprofit organizations, each dedicated to serving individuals with specific medical needs or disabilities. Instead of a single organization managing all aspects of the camp experience, these camps operate by hosting partner organizations that bring their unique expertise, staff, and participants, allowing the camp to focus on providing a fully accessible, adaptable, and supportive environment.

DETAILS

Who Does What?

In this model, our camp does not directly program 100% of the content of the campers' experience. Instead, it offers state-of-the-art facilities specifically designed for accessibility, safety, and a variety of therapeutic and recreational activities. Partner organizations, such as medical foundations, diagnosis-specific groups, or other service-oriented nonprofits, work with us to tailor programs that address the specific needs of their target population. These partnerships ensure that the camp remains a highly flexible and inclusive space, capable of supporting a diverse array of groups while maintaining high standards of care.

Focus Areas

The facilities provided by the camp are equipped to handle a wide range of physical, medical, and emotional needs, including a medical building for on-site treatment and care, and specialized equipment for adaptive activities. This allows partner organizations to focus their resources and expertise on creating impactful programs without the logistical burden of managing a physical site. Our camp will operate year-round, offering sessions to different partner organizations throughout the seasons.

Connecting

The Partnership Model serves as a compassionate guide, helping campers with special needs find the right partner organizations for their unique journeys. This collaborative approach simplifies the enrollment process by tapping into the strengths and resources of various partner groups.

Through our established partnerships, we assess the individual interests and needs of each camper, connecting them with organizations that provide specialized programs and services. This ensures that every camper is matched with opportunities that align with their skills and preferences, enriching their overall experience.

Care and Relationships

This collaborative model not only allows camps to maximize their impact but also creates an environment where campers receive the highest level of care and support. The model fosters long-term relationships between camps and their partner organizations, leading to more consistent programming and the opportunity for campers to return year after year to a familiar setting. In turn, the partner organizations benefit from access to a purpose-built, inclusive environment that enhances their program delivery.

Financial

A significant feature of this model is how financial responsibilities are shared through mutual fundraising efforts. Camps and partner organizations work together to cover expenses, with each contributing to the financial sustainability of the camp. The camp often leads fundraising efforts to maintain and enhance its infrastructure, while the partner organizations focus on raising funds for their programming, staffing, and camper needs. Rates are set with these objectives in mind. Partner groups cover approximately 30% of the overall cost per camper while our camp covers the remainder through fundraising and corporate partners. This shared financial responsibility strengthens the partnership and ensures that neither the camp nor the partner organizations bear the entire financial burden alone. Recognizing the already demanding challenges of caring for a loved one with a medical condition or special need, **the ultimate goal is to ensure that campers can attend camp without adding any financial burden to their families!**

SUMMARY

By sharing resources and responsibilities in this way, the partnership model ensures that the camp can serve a wide range of populations with varied needs while maintaining a commitment to accessibility, inclusivity, and high quality of care. This holistic approach allows the camp to remain a home for therapeutic recreation, offering life-changing experiences for campers and their families.