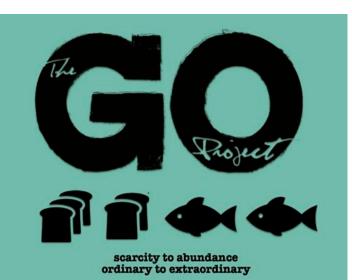
# Children's Adventure Camps



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### Adventure Camps in your community

Is your community of faith interested in hosting a GO Project Children's Adventure camp? Here's everything you need to know about what it means to host and how this life-changing ministry can impact your community.

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## The GO Project Children's Adventure Camps

#### You are a part of making the world a better place

Our Children's camps run from 9am-4pm, Monday – Friday each week of the summer. Children in grades 2-7 will explore together what peace and justice look like in their own lives and community through our uniquely designed programs each year. Children will explore faith and justice through unique service projects, such as creek clean ups, food banks, community kitchens, long- term care facilities, environmental action projects and so much more. Other activities include fun camp experiences such as games, songs, crafts, small groups, 'campfire', delicious food and so much fun!

Topics and activities campers and leaders will engage with include;



Top 5 Reasons you should host a GO Project Children's Adventure camp in your community:

- 1. UCC based curriculum that you don't have to tailor, edit or modify. We do it for you!
- 2. To witness children from your church and community speaking about justice.
- 3. To build, foster and deepen partnerships within your community.
- 4. If your volunteers and staff are tired and overwhelmed and need some VBS help.
- 5. A way to attract young families in your community.

#### How much does it cost?

For a community of faith to host a GO Project Children's Adventure Camp, it costs <u>\$1,000</u> (host fee). What does that include?

-Two trained staff to fully implement the program;

-A full curriculum designed just for your community;

-Administration and promotion support;

-Registration.

Each camper pays <u>\$125</u> registration fee that goes to The GO Project. Our camp is based on 15 participants attending the program. Host communities of faith agree to contribute 50% of the cost of participant registration fees if less than 15 participants register for the program in a cost sharing effort with The GO Project. Example: if 14 participants register, the hosting community will owe an additional \$62.50 (1/2 of \$125).

Communities of faith can choose to offer a sponsorship/subsidy program at their own expense.

Grants like the <u>United Church Vision Fund</u> and local/regional VBS grants can help offset these expenses.



"The best part of The GO Project Children's Adventure Camp is that the program not only is engaging with traditional camp activities but is very hands on with outreach and mission projects for the campers. The campers and leaders learn and become engaged in the needs of their wider community."

#### Sample Program Schedule

Monday Community Day	Tuesday Nature Day	Wednesday Peace Day	Thursday Art Day	Friday Action Day
Community Building	Opening Games	Opening Games	Opening Games	Opening Games
Opening Worship	Opening Worship	Opening Worship	Opening Worship	Opening Worship
Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack
Theme craft/game/activity	Mission Site	Mission Site	Mission Site	Theme craft/game/activity
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Theme craft/game/activity	Mission Site	Swim	Mission Site	Discernment Workshop #3 Action Plans!
Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack
Discernment Workshop #1 What are your gifts?	Theme craft/game/activity	Discernment Workshop #2 What are the needs in your community?	Theme craft/game/activity	Saying Goodbye
Closing Debrief	Closing Debrief	Closing Debrief	Closing Debrief	Closing Debrief





"The extra thought and care that the leaders put into the little things was unbelievable. My child came home every day and just wanted to go back to camp" – parent of camper

#### **Community Support Requirements**

In addition to the host fee, the community of faith hosting will be asked to:

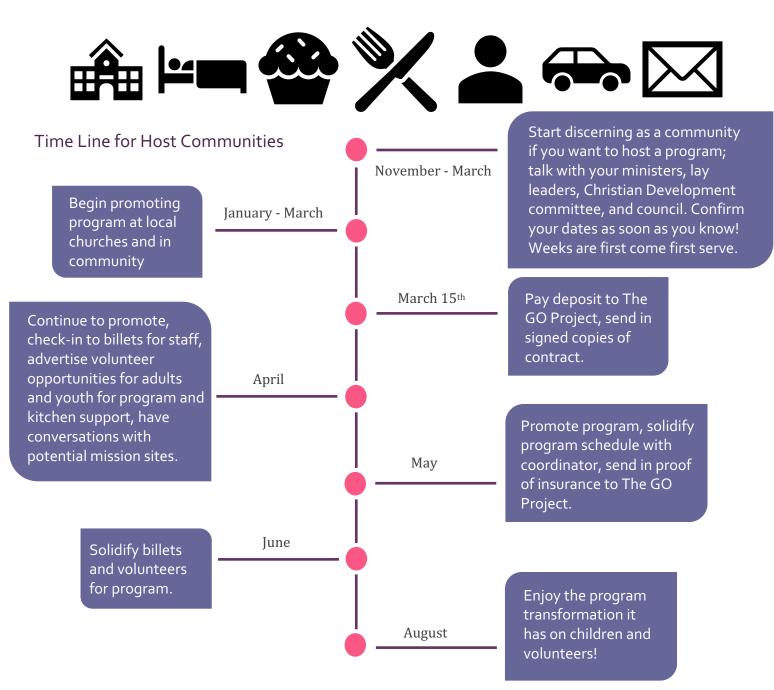
- ✓ Provide space for the program: one large room (typically gym).
- ✓ Find billets for the 2 summer staff.
- $\checkmark$  Plan and implement lunch and snacks for the 5-day program.

✓ Provide 4-5 youth volunteers for the week to act as counselors (will qualify for volunteer hours, and a great leadership development opportunity).

✓ Assign a local contact who will act as a liaison before the program begins and to be present for the entire duration of camp. This liaison will also help make local mission site partner connections.

✓ Help recruit volunteer drivers for mission trips off-site.

✓ Promote program and recruit participants locally.



#### Promotion

Communities of Faith are responsible for promoting and recruiting within their community for a minimum of 15 participants before extra fees come in effect. The GO Project has the following resources to help support communities:





Media Releases





Social Media





Food

Communities of Faith are responsible for either providing lunch and snacks or asking the participants to bring

their own. Some all-time favourites are;

Lunches	
Grilled Cheese Sandwiches & Veggies	
Pizza & Caesar Salad	
Fajitas & Chips	
Breakfast for Lunch!	Cł
BBQ	

**Snacks** Granola Bars Fruit Muffins heese & Crackers Popcorn



"The GO Project Children's Adventure Camp was a no brainer for our congregation. We spend a little money and have trained staff come and lead a program. Our focus then becomes getting volunteers to support the program. The way the Go Camp is set up is great for a congregation who struggles with volunteer burnout." – Host