

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.
3 John 1:4, NIV

Who is going to braid my hair?"

That was my only question to my parents before my first week away at Camp Cherith. As we walked up the path to Balsam cabin, I saw my counselor "Ember" with hair down to her waist, and I breathed a sigh of relief. Yes, I held back tears as my parents drove away, but little did I know how much my life would be changed as a result of that week at camp.

In pre-camp staff training, we talk about the concept of *in loco parentis*, a Latin phrase that means an adult acting in place of a parent. This training helps our staff understand that they have an important responsibility to care for campers - everything from making sure they are safe and included, to noticing if their shoes are damp. Our campers' parents have entrusted their precious child to us for a week or more - a role we do not take lightly.

Our commitment to quality staffing is reflected in our hiring process and our budget. **Our staff are the heart of Camp Cedarbrook. They deliver the camp experience that changes lives by modeling the love of Jesus to the next generation.**

This past summer we had our largest staff in recent memory and the most campers since 2009. I'm convinced that 2024 will exceed this! We will continue to need a quality staff to provide an amazing camp experience and reach girls for Jesus.

One parent wrote this on their end of summer survey:

"This is an amazing opportunity for girls to just be themselves (without boys and phones and social media) to get to know themselves and Jesus and other Christian girls. It provides them with wonderful role models of young Christian women who love Jesus and are doing big things in the world!"

As Christ demonstrated love for his disciples by washing their feet, Ember showed me God's love by braiding my hair.

Your gift to the Next Generation Fund will help girls know the love of Jesus this summer. You are providing essential support needed to staff our summer camp program. This year, we have increased our counselor salaries in order to attract and retain top-tier staff. Help us provide the best possible staff for the campers God is sending us.

You can give using the enclosed envelope or online at campcedarbrook.org/give

In Christ,



Amy Culhane, Executive Director



2023 Continuing to Grow

As we look back on our 58th summer of ministry, we are thankful to God for His provision and faithfulness. Camper numbers continued to grow with 36.4% new to Cedarbrook! Our capital campaign is now 60% funded and we hope to start projects this spring pending Town of Corinth and Adirondack Park approval.

Attendance and financial highlights can be seen below. Our costs have gone up due to increased campers, inflation, and investments in areas of need. We are blessed with a faithful donor base and are hoping to broaden it in 2024 in order to continue providing an affordable, quality, Christ centered camping experience for girls.

Healthy Building for a Healthy Future Capital Campaign



Summer 2023 By the Numbers

Summer Camp Sessions

2023: 601 camper weeks
2022: 581 camper weeks
2021: 483 camper weeks

Mother/Daughter

2023: 92
2022: 99
2021: 51

Father/Daughter

2023: 34
2022: 24
2021: 28

LEAD: 17

CILT: 6

Volunteers: 33

Staff: 57

Scholarships: 52

Churches Represented: 191

Supporting Churches

\$50 - \$499: 3

\$500 - \$999: 2

\$1,000 - \$2,999: 6

\$3,000 - \$4,999: 1

Supporting Individuals

less than \$100: 58

\$100 - \$499: 115

\$500 - \$999: 32

\$1,000 - \$1,999: 34

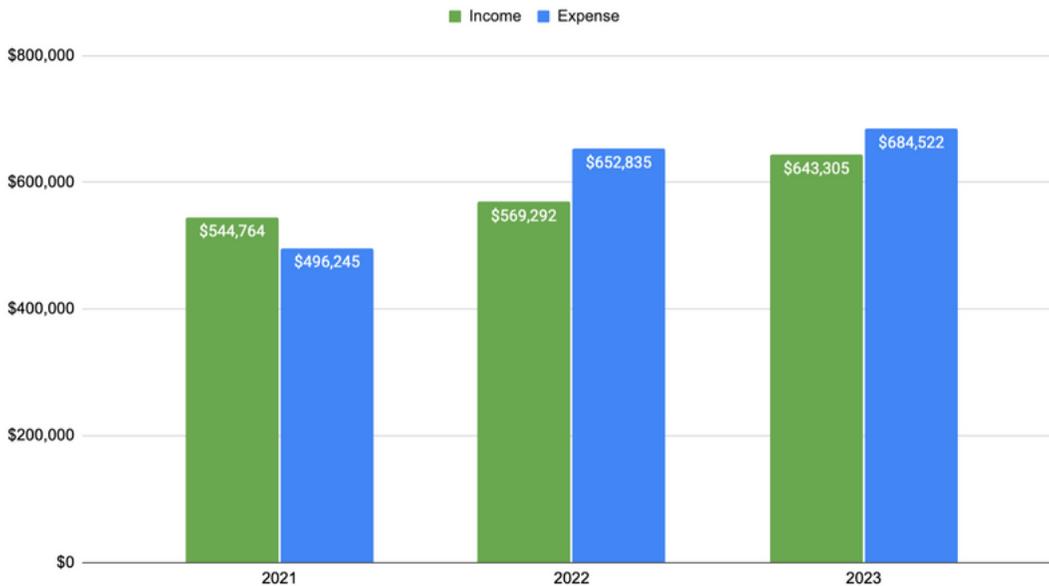
\$2,000 - \$4,999: 17

\$5,000 - \$9,999: 10

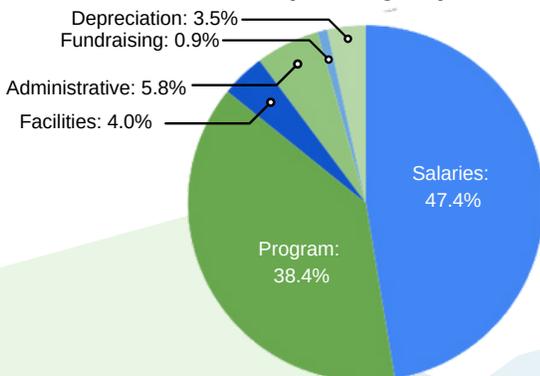
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\$30,000+ : 2

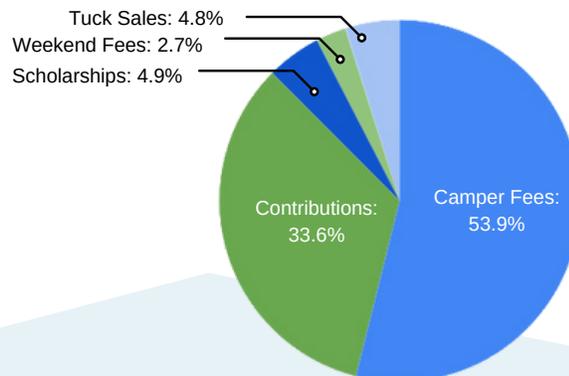
Operating Expenses and Income 2021-23



2023 Operating Expenses



2023 Operating Income



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