

Camp Boggy Creek Fact Sheet

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a seriousfun camp
founded by paul newman

- 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.
- Opened:** 1996 at a cost of \$23 million
- Founders:** The Camp was co-founded by actor/philanthropist Paul Newman and General H. Norman Schwarzkopf
- Facility:** 232 acres, 44 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 6 and 7 day summer sessions for children only plus week- ends in the spring and fall for children & their families.
- Campers:** Since opening, 57,000 seriously ill children and their family members have been served, all at no cost to them.
- Volunteers:** Over 28,000 volunteers have lent their talents to Camp. 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, bleeding disorders and hemophilia, cancer, craniofacial disorders, diabetes, epilepsy, heart/cardiovascular, HIV/AIDS (immune deficiency), inflammatory bowel disease, 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 \$4 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 American with Disabilities Act and is accredited by the highly respected American Camp Association.