



Campership Program Guidelines

Thank you for reviewing these guidelines about our Forest Home Campership Program.

At Forest Home, we do our best to price our camps at what it costs us to run them and keep our facilities well maintained. However, for some, we know the cost is out of reach. For that reason, Forest Home has a Campership Program for the purpose of providing financial assistance to those who would not otherwise be able to attend Forest Home sponsored camps.

The Forest Home Campership funds are provided by individuals and foundations who recognize the impact a camp experience can have on a person's life. Because these are "donor dollars," we have a responsibility to use the funds wisely. To ensure as many people as possible can come to camp, **an individual or family is eligible to receive a campership a maximum of two times over a five-year period.**

Camperships are not awarded to guest groups (e.g. Churches, Schools, or other organizations) who use Forest Home facilities for their own retreats or conferences.

In order to determine your eligibility for assistance and to ensure as many people as possible benefit from this program, we ask you to follow this application process.

1. Consider what amount you can contribute to the cost of camp. Each individual or family is expected to contribute as much as they can towards the cost of their camp experience. We are happy to create an installment plan to help you make regular payments that fit your budget.
2. Register for the conference or retreat you plan to attend. Please be aware that in order to assist as many campers as possible, camperships can be used for economy housing only. (This does not apply to children and youth camps.)
3. Pay your deposit. First consideration for camperships will be given to those who have registered and paid their deposit. Your deposit is refundable if the campership request is denied.
4. Go to foresthomes.org/forms and complete the appropriate Campership Application
 - Church or Group: Church Children or Youth Groups attending **Summer Camp 2017**
 - Individual Camper – Youth: Children or Youth attending **Winter or Summer Camp** as an individual. (Ie not a part of a church group)
 - Adult or Family: Individuals or families attending Adult Retreats, Parent/Child Retreats, Memorial Weekend Family Camp, Summer Family Camp or Home for the Holidays)
 - Military Family: Active Military and immediate family (spouse and children)

Please note:

For **2017 Children and Youth Summer Camp**, requests for Campership assistance must be submitted by the church or group leader **between March 1 and April 15, 2017**. The Forest Home Campership Committee will review the requests after April 15 and communicate decisions in early May 2017. Starting in 2018, all campership requests must be submitted by individual campers.

For all **Forest Home Adult and Family events**, requests must be received **no later than 8 weeks** prior to the conference or retreat start date. This gives time for the Campership Committee to review your application and notify you of the amount of your campership award so that you can make your final payment on time.

If you have any question or you feel these requirements would prevent you from applying, email campership@foresthomes.org. Someone from our Campership Committee will contact you.