



# Catholic Youth Organization CAMP RANCHO FRAMASA

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Greetings friends,

**CYO Camp needs your help.** Every year we mail an appeal for donations to our many loyal supporters because children who want to come to CYO Camp Rancho Framasa are unable to because their families cannot afford our fee. We ask for your support to give children the opportunity to come to camp. This year is different.

We still need donations and kids still need camp, but our needs this year are different.

Like many nonprofits, and families, CYO Camp Rancho Framasa has been directly affected by COVID-19. Because of the current health crisis, we decided to cancel all of our spring programs and June summer camp. We had high hopes for our summer camp session in July, but unfortunately, after one week of welcoming campers to our beautiful property, it was necessary to close again. We've also made extensive cuts to our fall programming. These decisions were not made easily.

There is nothing we love more than the sound of children playing, running, singing, swimming and experiencing God through nature at CYO Camp. But for the health and safety of our campers and staff, we needed to act decisively.

We're writing to you today because **CYO Camp needs your help.** While closing during the spring and summer and cutting programs in the fall was the correct decision to keep our thousands of campers and their families safe, the financial impact has been devastating.

As you know, all children are experiencing changes during these uncertain times. The impact is real. Lives changed quickly and for some drastically. From not seeing friends all summer to being cooped up indoors to events being canceled, children have suffered. Many had been hanging onto the hope that the summer or the new school year would bring a little "normal" back into their lives.

As one parent recently shared with us when she made her donation:

**My son had such an amazing time his first time at camp last summer. He was devastated that he couldn't go back this year! I want to make sure the camp is able to thrive so all 3 of my kids will have a chance to go back.**





For us, “normal” means bringing kids back to CYO Camp. Making the necessary changes to our facilities and procedures hasn’t been easy. Or cheap. That’s why **CYO Camp needs your help**. You can be the reason CYO Camp builds for the future with even more focus on health and safety. You can be the reason a child is offered a little bit of “normal” by coming back to camp.

All children need the opportunity to experience God through nature, now more than ever. We have always believed that Catholic camping makes a difference. We ask you to please make the dream of CYO Camp a reality for a camper in need by donating today. Your gift will make a difference.

Finally, we want to express our deepest gratitude for all you are doing—for your organizations, for your communities and for your families. We have spoken with many in our camp community and have heard stories both of heroism and heartbreak. The burden of this time can be daunting, so please be sure to take care of yourselves. We are keeping you all in our prayers, and we are humbled and honored by your support.

In God’s abiding love and peace,

Kevin & Angi Sullivan  
Co-Directors

**PS- Here are a few ways your donations will make CYO Camp a safe and healthy environment for the children of central Indiana while we build for the future. CYO Camp needs your help!**

- \$20 buys a floor marker for social distancing
- \$50 buys a plexiglass divider for the Health Center
- \$60 buys an automatic hand sanitizer dispenser
- \$100 buys an automatic paper towel dispenser
- \$400 buys a ceiling fan for healthier air circulation
- \$1,200 buys an automatic water bottle filler for the dining hall
  
- \$635 pays for a child to attend Camp
- \$1,270 pays for two children to attend Camp