



Camp Fire
River Bend



ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020



LETTER FROM OUR LEADERS

DEAR CAMP FIRE FAMILY,

The 2019-2020 year at Camp Fire River Bend was likely one of the most challenging years we have faced in our nearly 100-year history. Our fall 2019 programs were impacted by the EEE outbreak in Michigan, and our spring and summer was drastically changed by the Coronavirus pandemic. We are very proud of the perseverance and grit demonstrated by our Board members and staff over these difficult months.

Our spring after school programs closed in mid-March when schools across the country moved to virtual learning. Prior to March, we served an average of 31 students each day in the after school hours at our two school sites, and 32 students on Wednesday mornings. We had a total of 147 unduplicated youth who participated in one of the after school programs at some point during the school year.

Although we were forced to cancel our June overnight camp sessions, on the 1st of June we launched a disaster relief childcare program at Camp Tannadoonah. We were able to shift to offering our regular day camp programming shortly thereafter.

When the Governor of Michigan approved overnight camps to reopen, we quickly assembled our staff and launched a 5-week season at Camp Tannadoonah. From early June to mid August, we served a total of 510 campers in our disaster relief program, day camp, and overnight camp.

In a time where we are all lacking social interaction, we were able to safely bring together campers, staff, volunteers, and other members of the Camp Fire community for a summer of memories. Although abbreviated and with many changes from our typical camp program, we were very pleased to offer a little slice of normalcy to our campers this summer.

The financial challenges of this year were large. We will forever be grateful for the generosity of our camp families and friends of Camp Fire for helping us make it through this very difficult year. We received a PPP loan, a Small Business EIDL loan, and grants from the State of Michigan, the Southwest Michigan First Foundation, Camp Fire National Headquarters, Liberty Mutual, Becton Dickinson, and many donations from individuals.

It was a year full of change and challenge for our year-round staff! We said goodbye to Bob Herwick, the Camp Ranger in March, Jennifer Liddell, our fundraising coordinator in July, and to Michelle Hartwig, our School Year Programs Director in August, as they moved on to other positions.

Jess Barron joined our office staff in October 2019 as the Registrar. We welcomed Adam Lucassian as our new Camp Director for Camp Tannadoonah in January, and Mike Sposato joined our team in March as the Camp Ranger. Gabby Bittner

was hired as the new School Year Programs Director in August.

Two Board members concluded their service to Camp Fire during this past year. Karen DelleDonne joined the Board in 2017, and has served in the role of Secretary and also as a member of the Fundraising Committee. Colin Raybin served as a member at large since 2018.

Phil Iapalucci will be completing his term on the Board at this year's annual meeting. Phil joined Camp Fire in 2014, and has served on the Finance Committee, and also as chair of the Board Development Committee during his time on the Board. We are very grateful for Phil, Karen, and Colin's years of dedication to Camp Fire and Camp Tannadoonah!

With the help of our dedicated Board Development Committee, we welcomed Mike Chapple as a new member of our Board of Directors in February 2020.

We will also say farewell and thank you to three members of the Board Development committee at the annual meeting. Cindy Krupp, Donna Bittner, and Kathie Gries are all concluding their terms on this committee.

Thank you to all of our donors, volunteers, and staff members for your generosity and steadfast support in making all this possible, and for your shared passion for helping our Camp Fire youth find their Sparks. We are excited about what we can achieve together as we celebrate 100 years in 2021.

Light the fire within,

Sharon Hayward
Chair, Board of Directors

Amber Grundy
Chief Executive Officer

Adam Lucassian
Camp Tannadoonah Director

Gabby Bittner
School Year Programs Dir.



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



After School at Sam Adams Elementary

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Financial information presented here is based on the unaudited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2020. The complete financial statements have been determined to represent fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Camp Fire River Bend as of September 30, 2020, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

For regular income and expense, the program-related functional expenses represented 79% of the fiscal year expenses, while the expenses for fundraising, online store, and administration represented just 21% of the fiscal year expenses. The council spent \$14,953 on improvement projects, technology upgrades, gravel for the camp driveway, and equipment maintenance.

We continued to develop our After School programs at both Sam Adams Elementary in Cassopolis, and Good Shepherd Montessori in South Bend. Our camp numbers were down this year due to Coronavirus restrictions, but we were pleased to be able to offer camp to those campers who were able to attend.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

September 30, 2020

Total Current Assets	\$296,125
Total Long-Term Assets	\$495,396
Total Assets	\$791,521
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Total Liabilities	\$47,857
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Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$741,664
Temporarily Restricted	\$2,000
Total Net Assets	\$743,664
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$791,521
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Good Shepherd Montessori Extended Day

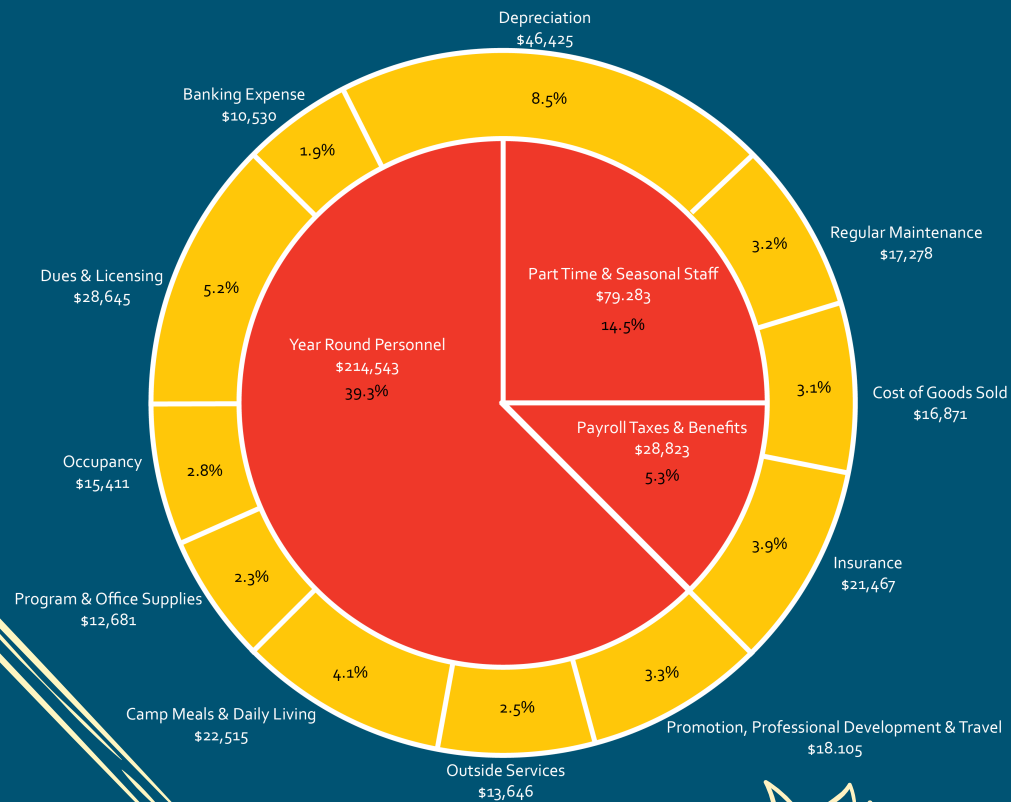
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY CLASS

For year ended September 30, 2020

	Admin	Programs	Unrestricted Fundraising	Camp Fire Online Store	Total Regular Inc. & Exp.	Non Regular Income/Expense
Total Revenues	\$77,934	\$304,882	\$32,721	\$16,390	\$431,927	\$9,227
Total Expenses	\$70,664	\$430,610	\$32,067	\$12,883	\$546,224	\$15,059
Change in Net Assets	\$7,270	\$(125,728)	\$654	\$3,507	\$(114,297)	\$(5,832)

REGULAR EXPENSES

For year ended September 30, 2020



448 UNDUPLICATED PARTICIPANTS ACROSS THREE PROGRAMS

59% FEMALE, 41% MALE

80% RETURN RATE FOR SUMMER CAMPERS



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WE SALUTE OUR DONORS



On behalf of the youth and families who have benefited from Camp Fire over the last year, thank you for supporting us in fulfilling our Promise, so youth can find their sparks, lift their voice, and discover who they are.

\$10,000+

Mike and Renee Chapple
Southwest Michigan First Foundation
United Way of Southwest Michigan

\$2,500-\$9,999

Camp Fire National Headquarters
Follett Notre Dame Bookstore
Kiwanis Club of South Bend
Rich and Cindy Krupp
Bob and Barb Pence
United Way of St. Joseph County, Indiana

\$1,000-\$2,499

Stetson and Kristie Atwood
Becton-Dickinson Foundation
Community Foundation of Saint Joseph County, Indiana
Tim and Carol Curran
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Microsoft Corporation

Liberty Mutual
Ruth Nieboer
Amy O'Brien
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Ben and Vanessa Wozniak

\$500-\$999

Mark and Katherine Bland
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Fronstream Foundation
Janet Hartwig
Hayes Family Foundation
Bob and Beth Kenagy
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\$250-\$499

Nick and Gretchen Batalis
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Mike and Amanda Bergen
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Kate Siupinski
Todd and Sarah Woelfl

GIFTS UP TO \$249

Sue Abshagen Wilder
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Amazon Smile Foundation
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John and Nicole Arnold
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David and Janel Charlton
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Brianna Flatt
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Stephanie Graff
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M. Bruce Harlan
Jimmy and Michele Harlow
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Penn Henthorn
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Reva Nelson
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Amanda Salliotte
Matt and Betsy Siber
Frank and Barb Sirmarco
Wayne Steger and Michelle Niles
Martin and Amy Stone
Drew and Dana Strait
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Jon and Andrea Weiss
Daniel and Alexandra Wenzke
David and Crystal Whitlow
Patty Willaert
Ron and Linda Witche
Jeff and Amy Wong
Jessica Woolley
Gabriel Zamora
Cindy Zesinger Rheinhardt

TRIBUTE GIFTS

In Memory of Paul Borowski
John and Gail Mancini



After School at Sam Adams Elementary



CAMP FIRE RIVER BEND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair—Sharon Hayward, University of Notre Dame; Benton Harbor, MI
Vice Chair—Andrew Roche, Creative Design Solutions; South Bend, IN
Secretary—*Karen DelleDonne, Ph.D., Trinity School at Greenlawn; Granger, IN
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 Thomas Edgerton, retired from Edgerton Travel; Lakeville, IN
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 Michael Lacognato, Laidig Systems; Granger, IN
 Robert Pence, retired from the Mosaic Company; Marshall, MI
 *Colin Raybin, Indiana University South Bend; South Bend, IN
 Patrick Welch, retired from AlphaGraphics; Vandalia, MI
 Lauren Willis, RSM US LLP; South Bend, IN
 * Completed term of service during the fiscal year

VOLUNTEERS

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| Camp Tannadoonah | Camp Fire Committees |
| Brigitta Adkins | Donna Bittner |
| Selin Bradley | John Engel |
| Bill Holleman | Kathie Gries |
| Sherry Holleman | Tom Kuhn |
| Sofia Lora | Cindy Krupp |
| Abby Portolese | Mike Sheffleck |
| Jennifer Stabnik | Jan Temple |
| Marti Strain | |



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After School at Sam Adams Elementary

YEAR-ROUND COUNCIL STAFF 2019-2020

- Chief Executive Officer* —Amber Grundy, Ph.D.
Camp Tannadoonah Director —Adam Lucassian, ATC (began January 2020)
School Year Programs Director —Michelle Hartwig, M.S. (through August 2020)
School Year Programs Director —Gabby Bittner (began August 2020)
Ranger / Facilities Manager —Bob Herwick (through March 2020)
Ranger / Facilities Manager —Mike Sposato (began March 2020)
Fundraising Coordinator—Jennifer V. Liddell (through July 2020)
Registrar — Jessica Barron



OUR PROMISE



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YOUNG PEOPLE WANT TO SHAPE THE WORLD.

Camp Fire provides the opportunity to find their spark, lift their voice, and discover who they are.

In Camp Fire, it begins *now*.

LIGHT THE FIRE WITHIN

YOU CAN BE A CHANGEMAKER. HELP YOUTH IN YOUR COMMUNITY GROW, SUCCEED, AND THRIVE.

HELP KIDS THRIVE NOW

Visit donate.riverbendcampfire.org to donate today!

Your contribution helps a kid or teen get the life-changing life skills they need to be the best person they can be today.

Contributions may be unrestricted, or designated for camperships, programs, or facilities.



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Camp Fire

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THANK YOU!