

Dear Friends and Supporters:

WE are back- Campers, Staff and Volunteers - actively engaged in building community, understanding differences, learning about nature, challenging ourselves to climb mountains, swim in very cold water and "make beautiful music" together in many different ways. 2021 had many challenges but you have been generous beyond belief. So far we have raise just over \$30,000 and with your continued help we will have the best year ever for bringing underserved youth to Camp Hawkeye for the 2022 summer season, because CAMP IS FOR EVERYONE!

Of special note is a recent grant from the Claremont Savings Bank Foundation of Claremont, NH. The foundation awarded us a \$2,500 grant to support our new initiative, "Sharing Our Stories Through Drumming." In conjunction with the Convergence Ensemble of Boston, Massachusetts and Camp Hawkeye, HCF will sponsor a poet and drumming instructor for an artist in residence program on campus. Youth will learn African drumming while sharing life experiences with others from the camp and the surrounding communities.

Building bridges through learning fun skills together, listening to the stories each has to share while making beautiful music is an exciting new adventure at camp. If you have never heard a circle of African drummers playing deep resonant rhythms in unison, it can be a powerful and transformative experience. Music is the universal language and transcends all differences. These youth are in for a treat! Join us in making this new initiative, "Sharing Our Stories Through Drumming", a reality for all the campers.

With deep gratitude for your generous support,

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Deborah Colgan Board of Directors



"I JUST WANTED TO SEND A LONG OVERDUE NOTE TO SAY:

THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY DAUGHTERS THIS SUMMER.

THEY BOTH CAME BACK COMPLETELY IN LOVE WITH THE EXPERIENCE, WITH RENEWED CONFIDENCE AND ZEAL. I'M SO VERY GRATEFUL."

- 2021 CAMPER MOM

MAKE A DONATION, WIN A HANDMADE QUILT!

HCF quilting volunteers are partnering for the 4th year to create this original one-ofa-kind quilt for the 2021 annual letter raffle. This quilt shown below was made by Diane Neylon of Watertown, MA.

Make a donation of any amount to be entered into the raffle. The raffle winner will be drawn on January 30, 2022 and receive their quilt by February. Give now and win a beautiful, original, hand pieced quilt.



Be an HCF Donor Mountaineer!

Join the team to reach the Summit! HCF is setting its sights higher this year to raise \$ 8,000 for 2021! To climb to the top we need a team of a donors to contribute in the following ways:

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- 4 donations of 🖉 500
- 8 donations of \$250
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"I donate to the Hawkeye Campership Fund so DIVERSE YOUTH CAN SAVOR A CAMP EXPERIENCE where their similarities create bonds and their differences EXPAND THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS TO NEW POSSIBILITIES and behaviors."

> -CATHY KWIECINSKI, WOODSTOCK, VT DONOR SINCE 2011

CAMP DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

It brings me great pleasure to write a summary of a more normal and hugely successful summer 2021! Thanks to everyone involved for their help and support. This summer saw a return of friends, fun and smiling eyes. I am pretty sure there were smiling faces under those masks too...

We were able to have a robust inclusive summer community with the following increased safety measures: extended pre-camp staff quarantine, a 3 test intake regimen, indoor mask requirement, and site quarantine for unvaccinated community members.

To put this in context there were camps across the country and in New England that didn't open for the second consecutive summer and one camp in New Hampshire that closed soon after opening in June.

Hawkeye continues to be the little camp that could. We chugged up that COVID mountain and managed to keep all campers and staff safe with zero cases of COVID and a decreased incidence of illnesses that occur in a normal summer. With a dedicated team and tremendously supportive, understanding parents we were able to navigate food supply chain issues and staff recruitment challenges that affected camps and other businesses across the country.

We also weathered some singular challenges related to water throughout the summer. July was the second wettest month on record in NH...we got 18 inches of rain! Then in August in an isolated weather event we experienced two days of flash flooding that washed out both roads to camp. The town of Charlestown was a great help and rebuilt the roads not once but twice. Our neighbors from Bascom Maple Farms were at our door first thing offering help afterwards. Please buy your NH Maple Syrup from Bascom!

As Hawkeye continues to grow we are so happy to have you with us! We were sad not to be able to share our new site with everyone and we'd like to invite all vaccinated donors to come for a visit and tour in 2022. We'll set up some weekend dates in the spring and would love to see you then.

On behalf of Jess, August and Huxley, as always, thank you.

Garrett Colgan-Snyder Director, Camp Hawkeye





"THANK YOU FOR TAKING AYANNA AND ALIQUE INTO YOUR CAMP HAWKEYE FAMILY FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS. THEY CAME HOME RAVING ABOUT NEW FRIENDSHIPS, SINGING SONGS, AND TELLING STORIES OF THEIR TIME WITH YOU. BOTH HAD A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE."

> -MOM OF TWO 2021 CAMPERS CONCORD, NH



"LITTLE BY LITTLE, ALEX IS SHARING MORE OF HIS POSITIVE EXPERIENCES FROM CAMP. HE IS DEFINITELY PLANNING TO RETURN! YESTERDAY HE TALKED ABOUT PLAYING SOCCER AT CAMP AND THE POSITIVE COMMENTS HE GOT. HE STARTS SOCCER NEXT WEEK WITH A NEW CONFIDENCE."

-LINDA, GRANDMOTHER OF A **2021** CAMPER NORTH HAMPTON, NH

