

EAGLE ISLAND, INC.

An unplugged island experience

July 19,2021

July marks a major milestone for Eagle Island: We welcomed the first youth overnight campers since 2008! Campers arrived on the heels of the well-loved Alumni and Friends Women's Retreat and two successful weeks of Day Camp. The life-changing Island experience stretches back more than eight decades, and we look forward to offering the same to thousands more campers in the decades to come!



As part of our mission to make an Eagle Island experience accessible to as many youth as possible, in 2021, **38 percent of our day campers and 33 percent of our overnight campers received financial assistance provided by supporters like you**. While "classic" summer camp programs have often been unavailable to underserved communities, we are proud of our fundraising track record in providing financial assistance to families otherwise unable to afford a summer camp experience for their children.

Our next step: Expanding our operating areas to accommodate more campers. Currently, the Main Camp area is the only place served by our water, electrical, and septic systems, and this limits our enrollment to 40 overnight campers. We quickly SOLD OUT overnight camp this year, and are already preparing to meet next year's increased demand!

Plans for Summer 2022 include expanding camper living to the Adirondack/Islanders tent areas. To this end, we urgently need donations totaling **\$75,000**. This will support installation of new water, septic, and electrical lines, some of which need to be run underground; rehabilitation of the washhouse; and repairs to the Unit House. A crew is standing by to tackle this project this summer.

Can we count on you to help us reach the \$75,000 goal by August 15, 2021, so work can commence immediately?

We sincerely hope we can count on you to support Eagle Island now!

In addition, great progress continues on the rehabilitation of our historic buildings and in marketing the camp experience. To cover operational and camp costs each year, expansion of our camper capacity to increase revenue is vital. Revenue is needed from at least six one-week sessions of 140 campers, programs such as Family Camp filled to capacity, and new programming for remaining summer weeks.



Please help us reach this goal by generously donating to support planned expansion to make the Eagle Island experience possible for additional campers in 2022, and thousands more in the decades to come.

Sincerely,

Karin & Jane

Jane Lowell Evans & Karin Walsh Rutledge Co-Presidents

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