

2017 Annual Report

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From the Board:

This year marks our 25th Anniversary. As we look back on the previous 25 years, we are humbly grateful for all the growth we've seen – from helping a few families in the state of Georgia back in 1992 to reaching out and helping to bless over 180 children in 14 states this summer. These children come home from camp with wonderful stories and experiences, new friends, healings and tremendous growth in character. We're grateful to be able to help them – and we're grateful to all our donors who have made this possible.

You might be interested to know that during our 25-year history, The Campership Fund has provided 1300 camperships. Interestingly, well over half of those camperships were provided within the past five years.

Looking forward. . .

Encouraged by this recent growth, The Campership Fund is in the initial stages of plans to become available to families throughout the United States within the next three to four years. There is a lot to be done. We'll be:

- broadening our reach by expanding into new states,
- raising funds to help with this expansion, and
- looking for individuals to help with this endeavor.

You'll be hearing more from us about these plans within the next few months.

Thank you for your partnership, involvement and support that has helped to bless so many. Your help has made all the difference.

Sincerely,

Cosy Schneberger

OUR MISSION

The Campership Fund for Christian Scientists' mission is *to encourage and financially aid Christian Science Sunday School students in the Southeast and Midwest to attend the camp for Christian Scientists of their choice when there is a financial need.*

METAPHYSICAL THEME FOR 2017

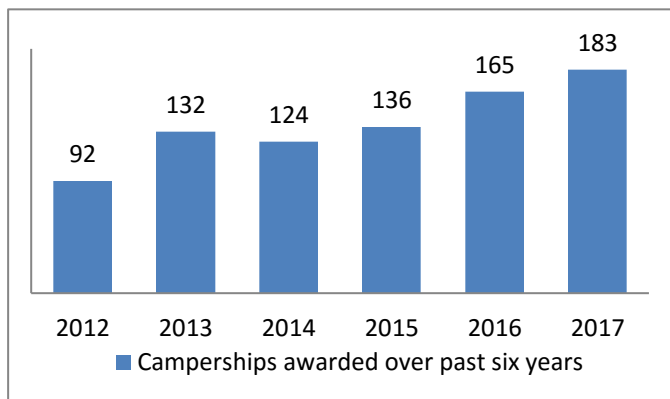
You are God's purpose, His great design. Beautiful, blameless, His child divine. (Hymn #565, with words by Peter B. Allen)

In August, an email centered around our metaphysical theme was sent out. As was pointed out in the article, "we can be so grateful that the idea from this year's theme, of God's child being beautiful and blameless, is actually a spiritual law, operating within each of us - parents and children - entirely for His purpose, 'His great design.'"

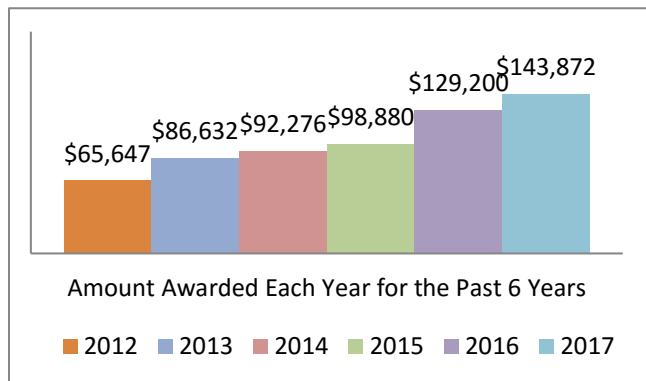
CAMPERSHIPS AWARDED

In 2017 – with the help of all our donors including individuals, foundations, Christian Science churches and organizations – The Campership Fund awarded camperships totaling \$143,872 to 183 children enabling them to attend one of the six camps serving Christian Scientists.

This is an 11% increase in the number of children helped over 2016



This is an 11% increase in the amount awarded in camperships over 2016



COVERAGE AREA

The Campership Fund provides funding to bless families in 14 states throughout the Southeast and Midwest. These states include: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, both North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and Wisconsin.

With very full and happy hearts our family sends sincere thanks and deep appreciation for all you do to support our Christian Science youth through camp.
(a parent)



At camp, you learn so many values and ideas that make for outstanding growth! Camp's atmosphere is also something amazing! I can't think of any other place where the atmosphere of brotherly love is so outstanding! But through all, you guys are at the center because without you, I wouldn't have gone to camp. I'm so grateful for your contribution so I could have the best summer ever!
(a camper)



Thank you for helping me go to camp. It was my first year, and I really liked it.



Campers' healings included:
homesickness
a nose issue
fear of heights
a bee sting
a hurt toe
a cut on an arm



for more fruitage see the Fruitage Report on our website.



“Our work aims to bless the world and show the unconditional, bountiful, unlimited Love that is ever present, ever powerful, ever tangible, ever practical, and ever dependable.”

(From this year’s metaphysical article by Sally Kindrick-Ekkens based on our metaphysical theme.)



State Representatives

- Rich Bacchus (MI)
- Margie Brooks (KS)
- Whitney Cartier (NC)
- Jessica Charlston (MO)
- Joy Deal (IL)
- Ruthie Dixon (MO)
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- Daryl Leonard (FL)
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- Chris Rankin (MO)
- Caroline Shugart (FL)
- Will Smith (GA)
- Sara Tegtmeyer (GA)
- Susan Tish (MI)
- George Wadleigh (IL)
- Cal Webster (FL)



CAMP SHOWS

Whenever possible, one of our board members or state representatives represents The Campership Fund at various camp shows in the spring to let parents know about the availability of funding for those families in need.

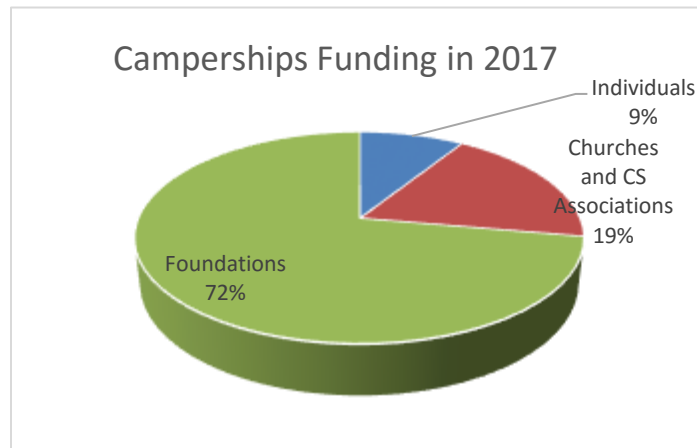
STATE REPRESENTATIVES

We have a small group of volunteers who help at the state level. In addition to representing The Campership Fund at Camp Shows within their state, they often share news of The Campership Fund within their church, help families become aware of our assistance and help in many other ways. The role they play is very helpful at a local level.

Currently we are looking for state representatives for Alabama and Indiana. If you are interested in helping in this role, please contact us at info@campershipfund.org.

DONOR SUPPORT

The significant growth we experience each year can be directly attributed to our generous donors whose contributions make it possible to provide camperships to so many. The chart below shows the distribution of funding received by individuals, foundations and various Christian Science churches and organizations in 2016.



PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CAMPS

Camps Involved

These awards provided camperships to all six of the camps for Christian Scientists in the United States and Canada for the fourth year in a row.



Opening Windows to God

The Founders' Society

Honoring those individuals who founded camps to serve Christian Scientists

The Founders' Society, established in 2012 as part of The Campership Fund's 20th Anniversary Celebration, honors those individuals who founded the camps for Christian Scientists.



The Campership Fund recognizes with deep gratitude the following leadership donors who, through generous gifts totaling \$1,000 or more, are helping to forward the mission of The Campership Fund in keeping with the vision of these early founders.



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