



Camp Trailblazers Subsidy Request Form

AboutFace is excited to announce that Camp Trailblazers is growing in popularity among youth with facial differences! However, as fundraising becomes more competitive, AboutFace no longer has the same operational budget and must find new financial means and a new model to support its programs. Therefore, to make sure that we are able to maintain a fair and equitable subsidy program for those who need it, we are introducing a formal subsidy form. If you are in need of financial assistance to allow your child to attend Camp Trailblazers, please read the following information before you complete and submit your subsidy form and camper's registration form.

How much assistance can my camper receive?

Since Camp Trailblazers runs on a subsidized 'pay-as-you can' tier-system for everybody, we request that only low income families who do not have the financial means to afford the tier 1 fee of Camp Trailblazers apply for this additional subsidy. All applicants are still required to pay the \$50 early-bird registration fee. This contribution demonstrates both a desire and a commitment to participate in the program. If you are still unable to pay this fee, please call Amanda at AboutFace, 1-800-665-3223 x22.

You may qualify for a camper subsidy if one or some of the following criteria apply:

- **Your annual family income is below \$42,000**
- **Your family is supported by social assistance or welfare**
- **Both parents (or single parent) are currently unemployed**
- **Your family is living in subsidized housing**
- **Your family is currently experiencing financial hardships**

Please note that subsidy is provided on a case-by-case basis. All subsidy request information and documents will be kept strictly confidential. Also note that subsidy applications are only valid in the year of attendance and families/guardians must complete a new request each year.

Each family is expected to contribute as much as they can afford towards their child's Camp Trailblazers experience. If you cannot afford the entire tier 1 fee, but can contribute half or another amount, please indicate that.

Thank-you Letters/Testimonials:

Our donors appreciate hearing how their donations helped a child who needed it. A thank you card or letter from you and your child will help us show appreciation to our donors and will help us in promoting our fundraising efforts in the future. When donors hear how their donation has made an impact in a child's life, they are more likely to donate again and encourage others to do the same. Please help us thank our donors by mailing or emailing a thank you letter, card or story to AboutFace after your camper's Camp Trailblazers experience.

Send this completed subsidy request form and all required documentation to:

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Email: amanda@aboutface.ca
Phone #: 1-800-665-3223x22 or 416.597.2229x22
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CAMP TRAILBLAZERS SUBSIDY APPLICATION FORM

**** Important: All of the following items must be submitted in addition to this application form.**

- Camp Trailblazers Registration Form
- Documents that Show Proof of Income
- \$50 Early-Bird Registration Fee:
- Agree to Provide Thank You Card/Letter
- Cheque Online Payment

PART A: General Information

Who has legal custody of the child? Two Parents One Parent Other
If you selected 'one parent' or 'other,' please specify who has legal custody.

Name of Parent/Guardian/Case Worker Filling out Form

Relationship to Child

Date:

Day Time Phone #:

Other Phone #:

Email:

Names of child(ren) for whom you are applying for assistance:

Name:

Camp Location:

Name:

Camp Location:

PART C: Financial Information

1. Please describe the reason for your subsidy request and why you are currently unable to pay the minimum tier 1 fee for the camper to attend Camp Trailblazers. Please state specifically why your family requires financial assistance.

Documents that show proof of income should be attached to this form , such as a photocopy of 2015 or 2016 Income Tax Return, photocopy of 2 current pay stubs from all employers, evidence of social assistance or welfare, etc. Documents sent as proof of income will be destroyed at year end.

2. How much of the camp fees can you pay (including \$50 registration fee)? \$



3. If the camper is in the care of Children’s Aid Services, Child Protection Services, or another similar agency, please check with the case worker to see if the camper is eligible to receive funding for summer camp through the agency.

PART D: Thank You Letter

Each camper/family will be asked to write a letter thanking donors and reflecting on their experiences at Camp Trailblazers. Parents, you are encouraged to help your child, and add your own comments or a separate letter. These thank you letters are important to show our supporters the impact their donations have and will help us promote our fundraising efforts to raise more subsidy money for the future. Here are things you might include in your letter:

- What did you like best about camp? What have you learned? What new skills did you acquire?
- How has camp made a difference for you? What feelings did you experience?
- What would you like to say to people who helped make it possible for you to attend camp?

By checking this box, I agree to provide a thank you letter and/or card after Camp Trailblazers.

We are also requesting that those people receiving subsidy consider volunteering with us and/or participating in our special events throughout the year as a way to give back. Please check how you might like to help:

- Letter writing
- Fundraising campaign
- Volunteer
- Attend Special Events
- Other

PART E: Acknowledgement

By checking this box, I certify that the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that I have provided all of the appropriate paperwork to verify the information. I understand that this application is not considered a guarantee of financial assistance, and that incorrect or incomplete information can result in delay or disqualification of this application. I agree to inform AboutFace of any changes in my financial status.

Name of Parent/Guardian/Case Worker Filling out Form (Please Print)

Relationship to Child Date:

Please complete and send in this application by/before your Camp location’s early-bird registration deadline (May 5 for SK, July 1 for NS & ON, Aug 1 for NFL, Aug 15 for MB). Send this completed subsidy request form and all required documentation to:

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