



CAMP MĀK-A-DREAM

Welcome to the 2026 Camp Volunteer Team!



Information to Help Prepare You for Your Trip

Activities: Camp activities will vary depending on the session you are attending. Our campus has an archery range, swimming pool, climbing wall, zip line, mini golf, sports fields, art studio, and horseback riding.

Travel Information: Volunteers may either drive themselves directly to Camp in Gold Creek, fly into the Missoula airport, or meet us at the airport and ride with the group out to Camp. Please plan to arrive on the first day of the session and depart on the last day of the session.

Driving

- Camp Address: 727 Camp Mak-A-Dream Road, Gold Creek, MT 59733
- Camp is located just off I-90 (approx. 65 miles east of Missoula and 60 miles west of Butte). Take the Gold Creek exit #166 and head south towards the river about one mile. Turn right at the little white church, pass under the 6C sign, then turn left passing under the Camp sign, drive up the hill, and park in the parking lot on the left. Walk across the bridge and stop at the office in the Health Center/Office to check-in.
 - **Arrival:** Please arrive at the Camp property between 2:00-3:00pm.
 - **Departure:** Volunteers who drive to Camp typically leave campus by late morning.

Flying

- Start looking for flights ASAP as flights into Missoula can get pricey!
- **When booking a flight, please consider looking into travel insurance or refundable flights in the event that you or Camp needs to cancel for any reason. Camp Mak-A-Dream is not responsible for any costs in the event that it is necessary to cancel the camp session.**
- Please book your flight into Missoula, MT (airport code MSO). Camp staff will meet you at the airport and transport you to the camp facility (and back for your return trip).
 - **Arrival:** Please book a flight that **arrives at Missoula by 2:00pm** on the first day of your session. If this is not possible, please contact us to make alternate arrangements.
 - **Departure:** We suggest booking a flight that **leaves Missoula by 2:00pm** on the last day of your session. We do not plan Camp activities for departure day, so you won't miss anything if you have an early flight. Keep in mind that our facility is an hour drive from the airport, so if you have a morning flight it will mean leaving Camp very early. If you book a late afternoon or evening flight out of Missoula, be prepared to spend some time on your own at the airport.

Housing Options Before, After, or Between Sessions: We are unable to accommodate any volunteer housing on campus outside of the actual camp session dates. If you choose to arrive early, stay late, or are volunteering for

back-to-back sessions, you will have to make your own lodging arrangements. Camp can transport you to and from the Missoula airport, but from there you will be on your own for transportation and housing. Below are some options for places to stay with pre-negotiated rates.

[Comfort Inn](#)

Offers complimentary airport shuttle, hot breakfast, wifi, outdoor fire pit and more. For reservations, click the link above or call: 406-549-7600 and mention you are with Camp Mak-A-Dream.

[Fairfield Inn](#)

Offers complimentary airport shuttle, breakfast, fitness center and indoor pool with waterslide. For reservations, call: 406-541-8000 and mention you are with Camp Mak-A-Dream.

Weather in Montana: Anything is possible as far as weather goes in Big Sky country, so the best way to be prepared is to dress in layers. We are at approximately 4,000 ft elevation and the temperature is quite variable, so we recommend checking the weather forecast before you arrive (zip code 59733).

Infectious Disease Strategies: During the upcoming season, we may implement a variety of infectious disease mitigation strategies such as masking, cohort groups, etc. Part of coming to Camp will include agreeing to follow all of our policies. Our goal continues to be keeping everyone's well-being and safety as our top priority.

Suggested Items to Bring to Camp

- **Personal Care:**
 - Medications for your entire stay (*please see additional details below*)
 - Soap, shampoo, conditioner
 - Toothbrush, toothpaste and any other necessary toiletries
 - Note: Bedding, towels, and sunscreen are provided by Camp

- **Clothing/Shoes:**
 - T-shirts
 - Jeans or long pants (*required for some outdoor activities & required for Dream Team*)
 - Shorts
 - Socks and underwear
 - Pajamas
 - Sweatshirt or light jacket (*we are not kidding – it gets very chilly at night and in the morning*)
 - Swimsuit
 - Tennis shoes or closed-toe shoes (*required for some outdoor activities & required for Dream Team*)
 - Sandals

- **Additional Items:**
 - Baseball hat or sun hat
 - Sunglasses
 - Banquet Night Attire (*casual or dressy - optional, you're welcome to come as you are!*)
 - Cell phone or camera with charger/batteries
 - Cash or credit card to purchase items in our Camp Store

- **Please Note:**
 - Personal space in the sleeping areas at Camp is limited, so please bring only what you need
 - Camp Mak-A-Dream is not responsible for lost or stolen items
 - Lost and found items are kept for a limited amount of time after camp sessions
 - Please label all personal belongings including medications, bags and suitcases

- Valuables can be locked in the Health Center office, but we prefer that they stay at home
- **What NOT to Bring to Camp:**
 - Pets
 - Expensive jewelry or electronics
 - Alcohol, tobacco products, cigarettes (including e-cigarettes), marijuana, or illegal drugs
 - Matches, lighters, fireworks, laser pens, knives, firearms, or other weapons

Medications: Please bring enough medications for your entire stay, both prescription and any over-the-counter medications that you routinely take. While our facility is stocked with most common OTCs, we want our medical volunteers to focus on caring for our campers. If you run out of prescription medications while onsite, we will do our best to help you get access to more medications but cannot guarantee availability. For volunteers staying in the cabin with campers, all medications must be placed and stored in a secured locked cabinet in the Health Center. You will have access to it at any time during your stay. For those not staying in the cabin, medications must stay in your assigned housing. The exception is that if you have emergency rescue medications such as EpiPens or albuterol inhalers, those are allowed and encouraged to be on your person.

Tobacco/Alcohol/Marijuana Policy: Camp Mak-A-Dream is a smoke-free facility. Smoking is not allowed in any buildings or on campus grounds. This includes all tobacco products, plus electronic cigarettes and vaporizers. Also, alcoholic beverages should not be brought onto campus and the use of marijuana products, including those medically prescribed, is not permitted on Camp property.

Warm Fuzzy Bags: Staff, volunteers, and campers will make a “Warm Fuzzy” bag to hang in the dining room that serves as a personal mailbox for each person to receive small notes and goodies throughout the week. This is a fun and totally optional activity at Camp but often people like to share a special little something with the others in the group – might be a favorite poem, a small trinket from your home state, a sweet treat, or word of encouragement. Bags, paper and writing utensils are provided at Camp. Please be mindful that Camp is a diverse community. We ask that you do not bring items with any specific political or religious affiliation.

Internet Use/Cell Coverage: We ask volunteers to limit internet and cell phone use as much as possible during their stay in order to not detract from being present with the camp community. Cell phone service can be spotty depending on your provider. Limited internet is available.

Camp Store: We have a camp store with logo apparel, soda, and snacks. We accept cash, check, or major credit/debit cards. All volunteers will receive a t-shirt to wear during the week to take home with them.

Don't forget to keep up to date on what's happening at camp by following us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

On behalf of our entire team – thank you for contributing your time, energy and compassion to Camp Mak-A-Dream. We look forward to sharing an incredibly meaningful week together. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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