



## Annual Report 2019

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Remember the times we've had here,  
remember when you're away,  
remember the friends you've made here,  
and don't forget all happy play.

Remember beside a campfire,  
amid the mountains blue,  
that you're a part of Hochelaga  
and she is a part of you.



*Hochelaga campers hiking on the Long Trail in Vermont, 2019*

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Hochelaga Family



"I've got a home on Lake Champlain..."



Centennial Senior Banquet



Tenties for Life



Welcome home hugs!



Camp friends are the best



Friends Forever!



Lots of 'Laga Love

Thank you to our entire Hochelaga family for joining us at Camp Hochelaga's Centennial Celebration! It was such a special day full of reconnecting with friends and reflecting on memories of old camp days. We loved welcoming you home again!



2000's Alumni on the Waterfront Stairs

# Camp Hochelaga's Centennial Celebration

## Our Camp Families Brought the Party!

Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 will forever be marked as one of the most thrilling Family Open Houses in Hochelaga history! Maybe it was the sunshine, maybe it was the excited staff, or the DJ's peppy tunes, or maybe it was all about the promise of birthday cake or that old Hochelaga spirit, but there was something in the air that made this day absolutely magical! The excitement of Hochelaga's kickoff for the 100<sup>th</sup> summer season brought **over 600 people through camp's front gates** to enjoy a camp tour, play camp games, and flip through the century's old history collection in the Wig. As new families arrived with bright eyes, they could feel the love for this beautiful space radiating across camp and knew they were welcomed with open arms. Returning families took no time at all to jump into the mix by seeing all their favorite places and greeting their camp buddies with endless inside jokes. With a delicious lunch provided by Hochelaga's incredible kitchen team, folks were able to enjoy a picture-perfect picnic on the lawn, overlooking the scenic view across Lake Champlain while they swapped stories and sang along to the music playing across camp. Oh, and don't forget the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday cake!



## Our Alumni Brought the 'Laga Love!

Our day of celebration was made special by the 300+ Hochelaga alumni. People ventured from all over the world to return to their home on Lake Champlain and help kick off our 100<sup>th</sup> season. The afternoon was filled with friends reuniting and sharing old camp memories. Sitting on the porch, looking out over the lake, you could hear stories being told, camp songs sung in (almost) perfect harmony, and gales of laughter carrying through the pines across camp.

The celebration culminated in bringing those who hold Hochelaga closest to their hearts together for an evening of reflection and remembrance. A special Centennial Senior Banquet was held in the Lodge to share a meal family style, just like at camp. More camp songs, a special birthday cake, a keynote address from alumna Jeanne Bates Christensen, and the unveiling of the Giving Tree made for a jampacked night! Even with the threat of rain, we were able to close the Centennial Celebration with a makeshift candlelight ceremony in the Lodge to remember, reflect, and reconnect with the Hochelaga spirit in our hearts.



# A Tribute to Hochelaga's 100 Year History

Today, as YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga's 100<sup>th</sup> year draws to a close, camp stands tall, strong, and ready for many years to come. Over the decades, 'Laga has been a place of empowerment and lifelong friendship for thousands of girls and women. It has continued to be a second home for so many because of the hard working, dedicated community who gave in time, funding, and love to foster the spirit of Hochelaga.



*In Loving Memory of Janet Dike Rood and the many alumni who have left us and for whom Camp Hochelaga was truly a second home and a lifelong love.*



Rood diving into Lake Champlain at Hochelaga



Rood at cabin dedication

## Deserted

*"One winter morning I stood on the snow-covered gravel drive leading to camp and heard all the sounds of summer come to me on the cutting wind. I heard the high shrill voices of the 'cabin kids' yelling to their counselor and I heard the cook kidding someone in her harsh deep voice. I heard the screen door of the Lodge slam and the even staccato jabs of the ping-pong ball in the Wigwam. I could hear the beds scraping on the tent floor as inspection time drew near and the childish voices from tent to tent inquiring for the broom. The twins were arguing over their costume for the day and the lids of trunks made impressive 'booms' as, crammed with stuff, they were shut with hurried hands. I could feel the soft puffs of breeze stroke my face and the tall blossomed weeds weave about my legs. From somewhere on the hill came the happy shouts of carefree voices and they blended strangely with the soft tinkle of the untuned piano as the two sounds were carried down to me. The bell from Skyland came then, very soft and distant, and faded into stillness soon broken by our own bell and the hurried patter of feet running down the tent line."*

- Janet Dike Rood, February 1940

*Written for a class during her first year of college (she got an A+)*

## The Giving Tree

In acknowledgement of generosity and commitment to Camp Hochelaga, the Giving Tree now stands tall in the Lodge. The leaves, gold, silver, and bronze, celebrate alumni and community members who have given financially to keep camp strong and stable. The circular plaques below pay tribute to those who have built 'Laga's foundation on strength, love, and commitment to traditions that keep the magic of camp alive and thriving.

The Giving Tree is forever growing! Many leaves remain blank – ready to honor those who keep camp strong for the next 100 years. Future donors who give a gift of \$10,000 or more will be added on a gold leaf. Those who give \$5,000 or more will be added on a silver leaf. And those to give \$1,000 or more will be added on a bronze leaf.



# From YWCA Vermont's Executive Team

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Thank you all for your dedication  
and service to YWCA Vermont!

## Perfection.

At the Board Retreat held in mid-September, we were asked to write down three things that came to mind when we thought of the YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga's Centennial Celebration and that's immediately what I thought: perfection. The weather was beautiful, the turnout was greater than our wildest dreams, and camp looked spectacular. The food was delicious and plentiful. The programming went off like clockwork and every detail—from the camp tours, to the Wig full of Hochelaga history, to the brilliant idea of the dinner's theme being Senior Banquet, finishing off with alumni writing letters to ourselves to be sent home in December just as when we were campers—was, well, perfect.

As I complete my tenure as Board President, I have been thinking about what it has been like to see "behind the black curtain" ("Wizard of Oz", people — what would this letter be without a musical theater reference, after all?) — to know the finances, the infrastructure issues, the growing pains, and to eventually lose the "magic" that Hochelaga is as I came to see the YWCA Vermont as a business—and a business that requires hard work from generous volunteers, both on committees and the board, as well as those hoards who come every spring and fall to more than spruce the place up. I also came to appreciate the generosity of financial donors and backers—people with the means to support our vision and mission and believe in the importance of all that we do both at camp and in the community.

I know how much time, energy, and hard work went into making that birthday weekend "perfect" as well as all that it means to the successful future of our organization. My never-ending gratitude goes out to the 100<sup>th</sup> committee and especially the leadership of Deb Jorschick, Executive Director, and Hannah Parke, Camp Director who guided the way. When they began planning the celebration in January 2018 (2018!) I never dreamt they would reach the level of professionalism, polish, and creativity that they met. As I saw the amazement in the eyes of our visitors coming to Hochelaga for the first time during the community event and the exclamations of our alumni, some returning after decades, the magic that is Camp Hochelaga and the YWCA Vermont returned to my soul—blending the joys of my youth with the business knowledge of my maturity—never again to part.

Maureen (Moe) Kaplan  
*YWCA Vermont Board of Directors President*



Moe catching up with camp alum



Deb, Moe & Hannah at the Centennial Celebration

# Hello Family & Friends of YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga!

What a year we have had! It's hard to believe YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga's 100<sup>th</sup> year is already coming to a close. This season has demonstrated, time and again, the incredible community of alumni, campers, families, and community members who truly understand the magic and value of Camp Hochelaga at their cores. We welcomed more than 600 people to camp on June 15<sup>th</sup> for the Centennial Celebration and acknowledged the long-standing traditions that have made camp such an important part of so many people's lives with 200 alumni at the Centennial Senior Banquet that evening. The Centennial Celebration and Centennial Senior Banquet brought the power of Hochelaga's history to life in ways that were felt by all present.

We are excited to share that as we head into year 101 and the many more to follow, YWCA Vermont and Camp Hochelaga are stronger than ever. The 2019 camp season saw record breaking camp registration numbers, with nearly every camp session booked to capacity followed by a waitlist. Camp Hochelaga welcomed 724 campers to camp this summer. And, perhaps most notably, a large increase in camper interest in 2-week and 4-week session options. The summer staff team did phenomenal work this summer, leading programs all over camp focused on supporting campers in learning new skills, taking on challenges, and building connections with one another. Camp Hochelaga's recently added wilderness trips program gave campers opportunities to explore some of our state's most beautiful natural places. Campers and staff even ventured out on the Long Trail for a 4-day backpacking trip over the Mount Mansfield ridge! The Circle of Girls scholarship program also hit record-breaking numbers during 2019. With the generous support of our alumni and community partners, Camp Hochelaga was able to extend \$40,000 in scholarships to 89 campers from all over Vermont. YWCA Vermont's Leaders on the Lake and Leaders on the Rise programs served a total of 70 youth. Both weekend programs focused on building leadership skills through environmental and social justice awareness.



As we look to the future and begin to plan seasons to come, we strive to keep the incredible momentum of this 100<sup>th</sup> year going strong. The Centennial Celebration brought alumni back to the shores of Lake Champlain who had not been reconnected with camp for decades. We want to keep this door and the opportunity to stay connected to all that is happening at Camp Hochelaga wide open! We firmly believe that the traditions created at camp over the past 100 years through the "heart work" of alumni are what keep camp alive and thriving as the unique, unforgettable place that it is for so many campers today. Hochelaga is not just any old camp. She is something special, a place where campers can truly be themselves and build friendships that will hold strong through thick and thin for the rest of their lives.

We thank the alumni, campers and families, committee members, volunteers, and community partners that make our work at YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga possible. Camp may be empty these days as we prepare for colder months ahead, but the energy of this 100<sup>th</sup> season is still alive in the air here. Camp stands ready, eagerly anticipating the laughter, movement and joy our 2020 campers and summer staff will bring through her gate come summertime. It has taken the commitment and generosity of donors, alum, and families like you to get YWCA Vermont and Camp Hochelaga to this place of strength and sustainability. And we need your help to keep us strong and growing for years to come!

*With 'Laga love,*

*Your Camp Hochelaga Team*



Jen Kelly, *Office Manager*  
Deb Jorschick, *Executive Director*



Hannah Bogard Parke, *Camp Director*  
Hope Wooten, *Programs Director*

# Camp Hochelaga 2019 Season in Review

## Facilities Improvements

With the support of volunteer groups and generous donors, Camp Hochelaga remodeled the Halfway House bathroom on Upper Mid Line, installed log benches as seating around the campfire, replaced flooring in the Lodge and Office, added 24 picnic tables all over camp to support communal spaces, extended the CIT Cabin, and added a safe and functional new Boston Whaler rescue boat to the waterfront.



## New Camp Programs

Camp Hochelaga's leadership team is excited to announce the successful launch of several new camp programs. The newly added 4-week session option was a roaring success. It was booked to capacity and the campers registered for this option had the opportunity to embark on a **4-day backpacking trip** along the ridge of Mount Mansfield. They returned to camp weary and sore but filled with ambition and a heightened sense of self and team accomplishment. The 4-week session option with wilderness trip will continue to be offered at Camp Hochelaga for future seasons.

Camp Hochelaga also grew the **Sailing Program**, hiring staff certified in sailing instruction and with the help of the Ryder Family, bringing a reliable new rescue boat to the waterfront.

With the generous support of donors, the leadership team added **2 new soccer goals** to camp's Landsports Program. This growth in sports equipment allowed the summer staff team to offer high quality programs focused on building strength, confidence, and teamwork.

*"I Love Camp Because... everyone is so genuine and honest about who they are, and the counselors treat us as young adults instead of little kids. I like finding new friendships and reuniting with old camp friends."* — Senior Line Camper, 2019



## Growing Interest in Longer Sessions

Camp Hochelaga welcomed 154 campers to camp in 2019 for 2-week and 4-week camp sessions. Prior seasons saw significantly less camper interest in sessions longer than 1 week. This exciting trend towards longer camp sessions attests to the power that a more substantial camp experience has on our campers. Camp Hochelaga is excited to continue adding 2-week and 4-week session options moving forward. In agreement with the American Camp Association's research on camp impact, Hochelaga campers gain stronger friendships, more substantial opportunities to learn new skills, and significantly more independence from longer stays at camp.

## Camper Enrollment Success

Camp Hochelaga was nearly booked to capacity for the entire 2019 season! This summer, 724 campers came through camp's front gate to fill 907 session spots total, making the 100<sup>th</sup> season a record-breaker for enrollment in the past 10 years. Of these 724 campers, 386 were returners and 338 were new to the 'Laga Family. Many campers registered for more than one session this summer, with some staying as long as 7 weeks!



## 2019 Hochelaga Cup: Claire Paxson

It was with great excitement that we recognized Claire Paxson as this year's Hochelaga Cup award recipient! The Hochelaga Cup is a time-honored tradition given to the camper that most embodies the Hochelaga spirit and goes above and beyond to give back to our camp community. Claire had a fantastic summer here at camp with us. She was often seen and heard singing at the top of her lungs during meals, even when few others were singing. She built friendships and genuine connections across all of camp, and was known as a kind, caring, enthusiastic person far beyond her community on Senior Line.

## 2019 Counselor of the Year: Hazel Noakes, Senior Line Counselor

Hazel was an amazing member of our summer staff team. She poured her heart into her work and was a mentor and leader for many campers throughout the 2019 summer. Even though it was her first summer at Hochelaga, Hazel's quick understanding of age-old camp traditions, her care for her campers and co-workers, and her work ethic demonstrated her deep-seated understanding of the Hochelaga spirit.

Hazel was awarded Counselor of the Year by the 2019 summer staff team for her tireless work to support others, her love of camp culture, and her authentic ability to connect with both her campers and her fellow counselors.



*"I Love Camp Because... I get to be somewhere different and I get to meet new people. I get to experience new activities and I get to disconnect from electronics and social media. I love Hochelaga because the counselors and staff are amazing."*

*- Upper Midline Camper, 2019*





# Big Things Happening at Camp Hochelaga

## The Nyborg Fund & The Trask-Valine-Church Scholarship Endowment

Camp Hochelaga alumnae Harriet Turner (Hattie Stevens), Valeria Wolff (Dinny Stevens), and Sarah Turner have generously stepped forward to offer a \$15,000 contribution to the Trask-Valine-Church Scholarship Endowment if Camp Hochelaga can raise another \$5,000 in matching gifts during our annual giving period this fall and winter of 2019. Both scholarship endowments listed above will ensure that camp can offer scholarships to girls in our Vermont communities for the entirety of Camp Hochelaga's future. And with the Stevens and Turner family's generous offer, your gift goes so much farther than its dollar amount! To give specifically to these endowments, simply note "scholarship endowment" on the giving envelope included or in your online gift comment box.



## The Paul Simpson Camp Improvements Endowment

The launch of the Paul Simpson Endowment for future capital improvements at camp was a wonderful way to kick off Hochelaga's 100<sup>th</sup> season! **Anne Trask Forcier was instrumental in launching this new fund** that will stand strong and growing to ensure that needed large scale projects are viable. Anne and everyone who has given to this endowment to date hope that our larger alumni community will keep the momentum going by making contributions in the name of Paul Simpson, a man who gave his whole heart as Camp Hochelaga's director for more than a decade in the 1970s. This endowment is restricted for improvements to camp's facilities only and will serve as a safeguard and security fund for Camp Hochelaga's next 100 years. Note "Paul Simpson Fund" in your giving envelope or online comment box to contribute specifically to this endowment.



## Major Projects & Immediate Camp Needs

### Replace the Tennis Courts: \$50,700 to go!

We're off to a great start! Camp Hochelaga will break ground on the much-needed replacement of the tennis courts as soon as the funds are raised! See full details for this project on the next page and at [ywcavt.org/give](http://ywcavt.org/give).



### Grow the Sailing Program: \$4,000 per boat

Sailing on Lake Champlain is an incredible way for campers to learn about teamwork, perseverance, risk management, and self-confidence. Help Camp Hochelaga add safe new Hobie Wave sailboats to the waterfront!



### Amplify the Performing Arts Program: \$3,000 total

The Wig is home to Hochelaga's timeless tradition of musicals put on entirely by campers each summer. Youth grow their confidence when they step on stage to showcase their talents to the rest of camp. All we need is a sound system to really amplify their experience!

### Replace a Cabin Roof: \$2,000 per roof

There are just 5 more cabins in need of a sturdy, lasting new metal roof. Help Camp Hochelaga keep all 14 camper cabins strong and well-maintained for many seasons to come.

# Help Replace Camp's Tennis Courts!

Tennis and other sport courts have been a strong part of Camp Hochelaga programming since camp started in 1919. We need your help to keep this programming alive and thriving for our campers. Having positive experiences playing sports at camp can instill life-long passions for athleticism in girls that will support them in living healthy lives and developing healthy habits.

## Current Tennis Courts



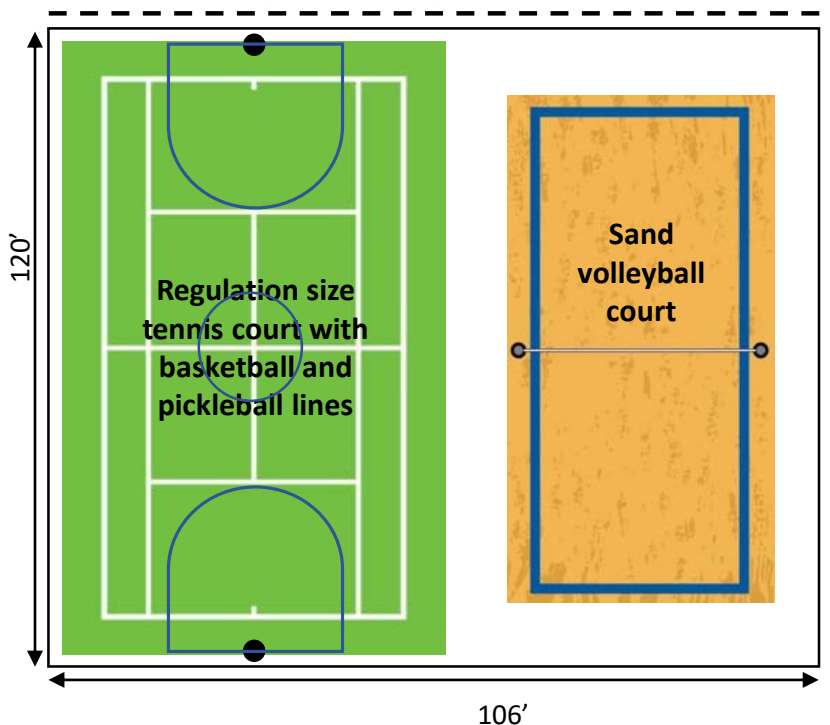
### Scope of Work Phase 1: \$52,805

- Excavation of all clay
- Installation of landscaping fabric & gravel
- Pour sand for volleyball court
- Pouring of 3" asphalt and installation of posts

### Scope of Work Phase 2: \$13,895

- Coating court with play surface
- Lines for tennis, basketball, pickleball
- Installation of nets and hoops

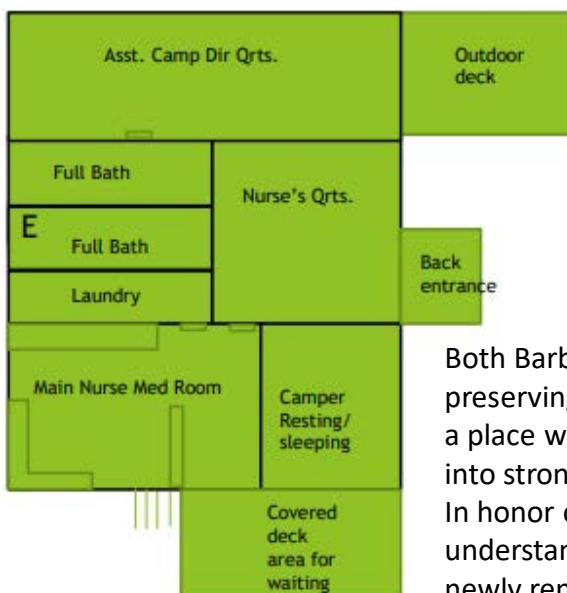
## New Proposed Sport Courts



Total Project Cost: \$66,700

We need your help to make this much needed improvement possible! If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Hannah, Camp Director at [hannah.bogard@ywcavt.org](mailto:hannah.bogard@ywcavt.org) or call the office (802) 862-7520.

## Full Renovation of the Health House is Underway!



With deep appreciation and immense gratitude, we announce the launch of the foundation replacement and renovation work necessary to save the Health House. **This \$80,000 project is being funded in full by Barb Poulin and Blair Lavoie!** After visiting Camp Hochelaga during the Centennial Celebration, Barb and Blair felt it was their time to give back and do what they can to keep camp strong for years to come. Camp Hochelaga has been near to Barb's heart since she was a camper/counselor.

Both Barb and Blair are committed to preserving the vision of Camp Hochelaga as a place where girls come together to grow into strong, independent, confident women. In honor of their generosity and their deep understanding of the Hochelaga Spirit, the newly renovated, structurally sound building will be known as the **Poulin-Lavoie Health House.**



# YWCA Vermont Mission Driven Programs

## Camp Hochelaga's Circle of Girls Scholarship Fund



Making the magic of a Camp Hochelaga experience accessible to campers who would otherwise not be able to attend is one of Camp Hochelaga's highest priorities. During Hochelaga's 100<sup>th</sup> summer it was our goal to bring 100 youth to camp through our Circle of Girls Scholarship Fund. Though we may not have quite reached our objective, Hochelaga is proud to have awarded scholarships to 89 campers in 2019. Our incredible donor base was able to support 130 weeks of camp for our 2019 scholarship recipients and give the experience of a lifetime to kids who really deserve to just be kids for a moment. Hochelaga was able to support campers who are experiencing homelessness, transitioning into foster care, coming from families with extremely limited resources, or managing responsibilities far beyond what children should have to in their home life. In 2019, YWCA Vermont continued partnerships with UVM's Migrant Education Program, Howard Center, Warner Home for Little Wanderers, and the state's Department for Children and Families to provide families access to the camp experience.

YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga will continue with the goal to support 100 campers for the 2020 season. You can help us meet this goal! We are deeply and genuinely thankful to all the donors who support the Circle of Girls Scholarship Fund. The safety, freedom, connection, joy, and empowerment that can be found at Camp Hochelaga are important experiences for many Circle of Girls scholarship recipients during their time at camp and beyond.

## Why Camp is Important

All summer long we hear campers talk about why they love camp so much, but it is hard to quantify what our campers get out of their experience at Hochelaga. During the 2019 season, we continued our data research from 2018 to capture our campers' experience in their own words and once again found an overwhelming amount of evidence of skill development and social emotional development across all ages. At camp, kids will:



Meet new people from all over the world and make lifelong friends

Gain an appreciation for nature



Take time to unplug and make intentional connections with others



Learn a new concrete skill



Work together to create a positive camp community



## American Camp Association (ACA) 2019 Accreditation

YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga is proud to continue being an ACA accredited camp. During the 2019 season, Hochelaga was visited by ACA volunteers to undergo a review of the nearly 300 standards set by ACA. These standards (newly revised in 2018) establish guidelines for needed policies, procedures, and practices through all aspects of camp's operations. The key aspects are focused on program quality and the health and safety of campers and staff. Hochelaga's leadership works hard to assure that current practices reflect these ACA standards for every part of camp and keep our primary goal of safety for all at the forefront of everything we do at camp.

# Our Mission: Eliminating Racism & Empowering Women

At an organizational level, YWCA Vermont recognizes the reality of the Vermont state demographics being predominantly white (Vermont population is 95% white) and the leadership of the organization being exclusively white, as well. Through consultation with other racial justice focused local organizations, YWCA Vermont has identified the need to take time to bring purposeful, action-based anti-racist work to the majority white community we already serve in order to make real change in eliminating racism in Vermont specifically. YWCA Vermont strives to take a more active role in racial justice issues within the local community by bringing the mission of eliminating racism into our current programming with the greatest intentionality. Through Navigating Diverse Identities, Staff Training Week, specific programming at Camp Hochelaga, Leaders on the Rise, intentional support of a diverse network of local families through the Circle of Girls Scholarship Fund, and by cultivating purposeful partnerships with well-intentioned local organizations, YWCA Vermont is already taking steps to bring the mission to life.



## Leaders on the Lake 2019

A huge thank you to all the young leaders who joined us for Leaders on the Lake this year! YWCA Vermont hosted 24 young leaders at Camp Hochelaga for a weekend full of hands on camp projects and several BEE themed activities including thoughtful dialogue about how we impact the environment around us, and how we can give back to the local ecosystem at camp. We built a compost system, learned all about our resident Hochelaga honeybees and even took time to thank the **#AskableAdultsVT** in our lives!

## Camp Hochelaga Staff Training

All staff members take part in a high-intensive training week to prepare for the summer season including mission driven workshops, safety and security, program preparation, skill verifications and trainings, mandated reporting, and much more. Third party organizations are brought in to help facilitate conversations around race and racism, supporting LGBTQIA+ identifying youth, child abuse prevention and mandated reporting, and creating a camp culture of empowerment for all. Most of the summer staff team falls between the ages of 17 and 25, a pivotal age for adolescent development and independence. Therefore, it is the responsibility of camp to support all staff in challenging themselves to develop a variety of leadership skills. We work hard to ensure these skills are applicable in their counselor roles as well as align with their goals in their lives beyond camp.

## Navigating Diverse Identities

YWCA Vermont was proud to once again partner with **Milton Community Youth Coalition (MCYC)** to host a training opportunity for Vermont mentors and mentees. It was a great day for members of the community to learn from one another about how to support and empower LGBTQIA+ identifying youth and youth of color. We were thrilled to welcome **Amber Leventry** and **Wayne Miller** as workshop leaders and keynotes for the conference, both of whom provided an engaging and thought-provoking training for all attendees.



## Leaders on the Rise 2019

We had quite the crowd of 45 young leaders join us in September for Leaders on the Rise this year! Focusing on social justice and identity expression, our young leaders got creative through a variety of identity expression activities, including making their own comic books, creating self-identity mosaics, striking a pose for the expression camera and having productive conversations with each other about how we can support others in their intersectional identities. A weekend at camp would not be complete without a s'more, of course!

# 2019 Financial Review

## Recognition of Individual Gifts \*Made an in-kind contribution

### Gold Leaf Gifts

#### \$10,000 & above

Susan Alden  
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Nancy Rosenstock Rhine  
Cakes by Valerie Rittershausen\*  
Susan Perry Rock  
Joan Rosenstock

Dana Rubin  
Renee Rubin  
Kristin & Sally Ryan  
Kay Ryder  
Elizabeth Sands  
Wendy Sands  
Peggy Hastings Sanford  
Judy & Mike Schmit\*  
Marika Shyduroff  
Laurie Singer  
Carol Skinger  
Lee Ann Soowal  
Mardie Trask Sorensen  
Lisa & Paul Souza  
Erica & Christopher Spater  
Spirit of Ethan Allen\*  
Kerin Stackpole & Maria McGrath  
Barb Stafford  
Dinah Stafford  
Madelyn Stafford  
Jennifer Stockwell  
Brenda Bock Sussna  
Eleanor Pierpont Suydam  
Hilarie Carrier Terebessy  
Dianne Terry  
Katherine Tokarewich  
Sarah Tessmann Tumolo  
Nicole & Eamon Twohig  
Louise Ueileux  
Sandy Valine  
Rebecca Van Horn  
Lisa Vanstry\*  
Meghan Vanstry  
Haley Veller  
VTGM Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta  
Lynn Phillips Weiskopf  
Colleen & Ivan Wemple  
Carolyn & David West  
Kathleen Allard Whelan  
Wanda Wilking  
Susan Oppenlander Williford  
Rhonda Williams & Thomas Borchert  
Trine Wilson\*  
Catherine Wolff  
Rory Woodard  
Sarah Woodward  
Michael Yoken

### Silver Leaf Gifts

#### \$5,000 - \$9,999

JE Compliance  
Harriet Stevens Turner  
Sarah Turner  
Valeria "Dinny" Stevens Wolff

Rhoda Soowal Eisman  
Leslie English  
Marion A Entwisle  
Nancy Faunce  
Lucia Fishburne  
Kristin Fontaine & Odie Routh  
Elizabeth "Lili" Foster  
Grace Salmon Freeman  
Dorothy Gardner Freeman  
Donna Fresinger & Chris Canniff  
Caroline Frey  
Carolyn Friberg  
Claire Gardner  
Virginia Gardner  
John Gennari & Emily Bernard  
Jason Girard & Cara Thanassi  
Louise Davies Golec  
Hilry Gordon  
Jaime Gordon

### Bronze Leaf Gifts

#### \$1,000 - \$4,999

Baystate Financial Charitable Foundation  
Jim Canavan  
Nina Hackel  
John Hoogenboom  
Maureen Kaplan  
Katherine T. Griffith Trust  
Leunig's Bistro & Lounge  
Katie Little  
Michael & Anita Parke  
Paul Simpson

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#### Vermont & Camp

#### Hochelaga \$1 - \$999

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Alecia Koch Bair  
Beth Barovick  
Joanne Mays Becker  
Deb Smith Bedrin

## Community Partners

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KOOL 105.1  
Lake Champlain Basin Program  
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Majestic Car Rental  
McKee's Island Pub  
Milton Community Youth Coalition  
Morgan Stanley of Colchester VT  
My Champlain Valley

National Life Group  
Pomykala Farm  
Red Barn Dairy  
Red Cap Marine & Salvage  
Rumble Strip by Erica Heilmann  
SCHIP  
Silver by Tish  
South Burlington Rotary  
St. Michael's College  
UVM Migrant Education Program

Vermont Public Radio  
VTGM Alum Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta  
Wally's Place  
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WCAX  
Wolfe Electric  
Wrenegade Foundation  
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*\$23,925 Donated by families opting to pay tiers B & C of their camp tuition in 2019 to go directly into supporting camper scholarships and camp facility improvements.*

## Centennial Celebration Sponsors



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## Recognition of Major Donors

YWCA Vermont Camp Hochelaga extends a special thank you to the following members of our community whose immense generosity will positively impact camp and campers for the next hundred years.



### Barb Poulin & Blair Lavoie

The fully renovated Poulin-Lavoie Health House is on track to be finished by June 2020. Barb and Blair saw the immediacy of camp's need to replace the foundation, siding, windows and more on the Health House, one of camp's oldest buildings. They have gone above and beyond by providing camp with the needed funds in full to complete this \$80,000 project and preserve the Health House for generations. Thank you, Barb and Blair, for your heartfelt investment in the facilities necessary to keep history alive and the future bright all at the same time!

### Susan Alden

Mrs. Alden's generous contribution to Camp Hochelaga's year-round septic system needs is in reserve and serves as a starting point from which to build funding to ensure camp's safe operation for another 100 years! Septic might not be the most glamorous project but having the funds needed when repairs become necessary or a new system is required gives Camp Hochelaga a much-needed safeguard. Thank you, Mrs. Alden, for helping keep camp strong!

### Allison Ryder & David Jones

Allison and David's generosity made it possible for Camp Hochelaga to ensure safe, empowering waterfront experiences for all our campers and staff for summers to come! Their purchase of a new, 2019 Boston Whaler rescue boat means that campers of all ages can learn to sail, kayak, canoe, paddleboard, and even take a swim to the point. The *Allie Cat*, our reliable new rescue boat, is an essential part of the Camp Hochelaga waterfront. Thank you, Allison and David!



### The Robert DiYeso Charitable Trust

Since 2014, Camp Hochelaga has received a significant annual donation from the Robert DiYeso Charitable Trust. Each season, this generous contribution brings 10 to 15 campers to camp from St. Albans, Duxbury, and Waterbury. This trust contributed to a major facility improvement project including sturdy new metal roofs for cabins and repairs to the Halfway House and Long House bathrooms. This ongoing support continues to keep camp growing!

### Harriet Turner, Sarah Turner, & Valeria Wolff

*"We are very pleased to stand tall for Camp Hochelaga, which did so much to help us grow into who we are today."*  
– Harriet Turner

Harriet Turner (Hattie Stevens), Sarah Turner, and Valeria Wolff (Dinny Stevens) generously stepped forward to offer a \$15,000 contribution to the Trask-Valine-Church Scholarship Endowment if Camp Hochelaga can raise another \$5,000 in matching gifts during our annual giving period this fall and winter of 2019. Help us meet this goal and know that your gift will go further than its dollar amount! Sarah, Hattie, and Dinny have voiced their heartfelt hope that other alumni will contribute to help continue this growth.

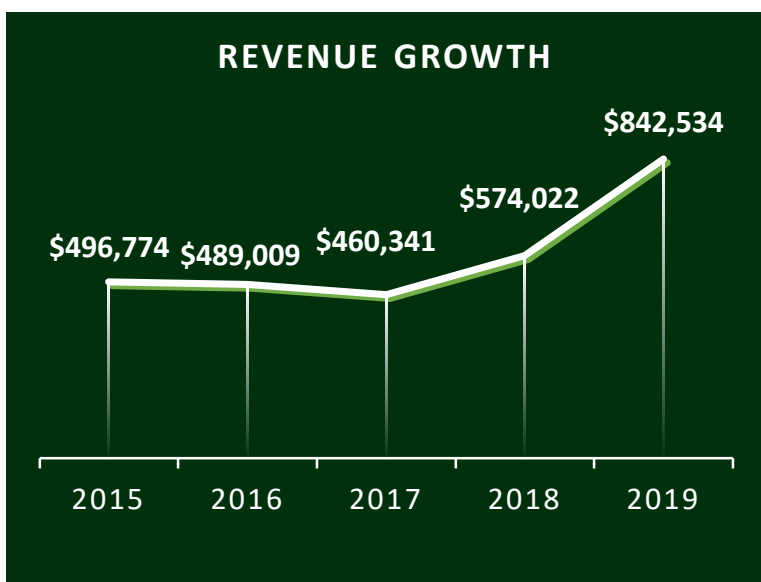
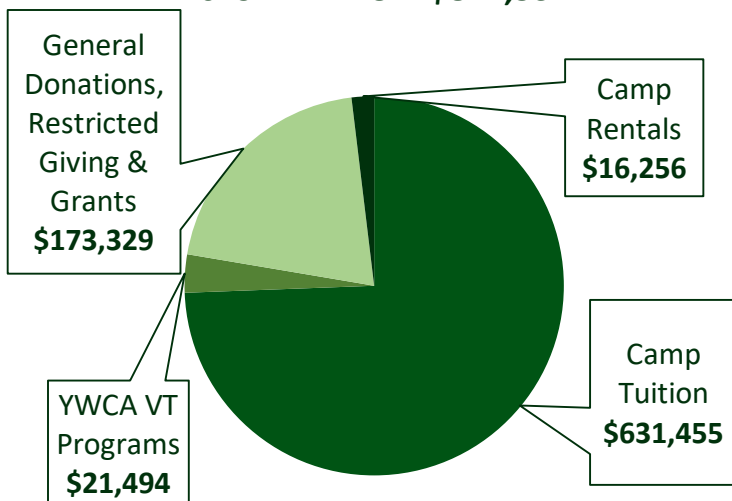
### Daren Jorgensen

The Jorgensen family's commitment to Camp Hochelaga has been longstanding. Mr. Jorgensen's generous contribution for the 2019 season brought 9 campers to camp on scholarship, supported the much-needed remodel of the Halfway House bathroom, and made other needed facility improvements possible. Thank you!

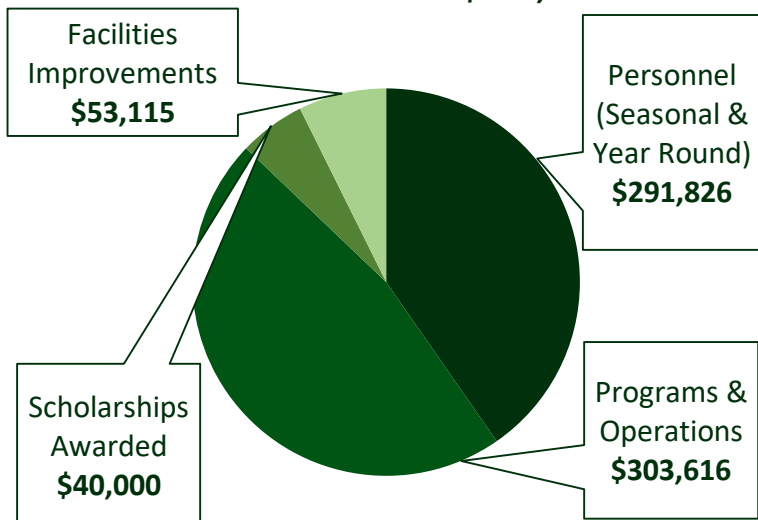


# Financial Report: By the Numbers

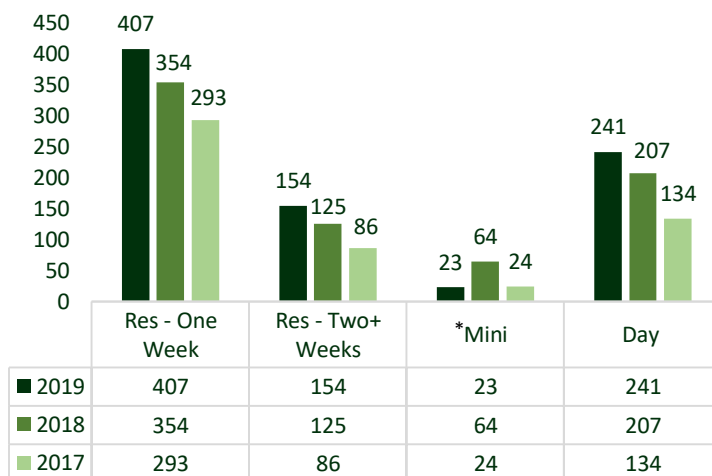
## 2019 REVENUE: \$842,534



## 2019 EXPENSES: \$688,557



## REGISTRATION: 2017 to 2019



\*Only one Mini Camp session offered in 2019, compared to three sessions in 2018

# YWCA Vermont 2020 Calendar of Events

<b>April 27 – May 1</b>	YWCA USA Stand Against Racism Week
<b>April 27</b>	Vermont's Stand Against Racism Proclamation Day
<b>(May – June)</b>	<b>**Volunteer Groups Help Open Camp</b>
<b>May 16 &amp; 17</b>	Leaders on the Lake
<b>June 7</b>	Camp Hochelaga Open House
<b>June 8 – 10</b>	Leadership Team Training
<b>June 15</b>	Camp Hochelaga Centennial Proclamation Day
<b>June 15 – 19</b>	Summer Staff Training
<b>June 21</b>	First Day of Camp!
<b>August 15</b>	End of Camp Season
<b>(September – October)</b>	<b>**Volunteer Groups Help Close Camp</b>
<b>September 12 &amp; 13</b>	Leaders on the Rise
<b>October 3</b>	Camp Hochelaga Fall Family Fest
<b>October 12 – 16</b>	YWCA USA Week Without Violence

*\*\*Contact us directly to schedule your group's volunteer day at Camp Hochelaga*

*"I Love Camp Because... everyone is so nice and kind and loving. They really care about us and make a really cool environment for us to be in. I love camp because it makes me feel like I really belong. My first year is awesome!*

*- Lower Midline Camper, 2019*



## Stay Connected with YWCA Vermont!

For all the latest information regarding community events, important organization updates, mission driven news stories and articles, or nostalgic camp pictures and videos be sure to stay connected with us through all our social media outlets:



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Join the **Camp Hochelaga Centennial Celebration** group on Facebook to reconnect with hundreds of alum!



Follow **@YWCAVermont** for a creative look at the beauty of camp and what makes Hochelaga so special!



Go to **www.ywcavt.org** for all kinds of community resources and details about our programs.