

The Benefits of Summer Camp

A summer camp provides a safe environment for youth to develop social skills, decision-making skills, and experience the great outdoors. In fact, socialization during your youth will accomplish more for growth and development than any form of technology could ever deliver.



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ABOUT CYL](#)



Develops lifelong skills

Social, communication and leadership skills.



Fosters independence & growth

Being away from home builds confidence.



Supports healthy living

Healthy eating and physical activity.



Creates time for play & fun

Swimming, campfires, crafts and games.



Teaches teamwork & co-operation

Working with others and recognizing peers.



Builds community & purpose

Inclusion, a sense of belonging and duty.



Connecting with nature

Respect and appreciate your environment.



Builds resilience

Face challenges and overcome them.

The co-op housing sector wants to send you for FREE!

Apply today for Sponsorship to attend the 2026 Co-operative Young Leaders camp program. If selected, your sponsor will cover 100% of the registration cost for this youth retreat PLUS a mileage/travel allowance to the camp location.

Note: This is a sponsorship application only – it is not an application to CYL. You will complete the CYL Application if you are awarded sponsorship. Your application will be entered in the Ontario Sponsorship draw. *If you are selected, we will contact you.*

Live in a housing co-op?

Join the co-op housing participants
week (NEW for 2026):

Adventurers, August 8-14.



Explorers

Ages 12 to 14, a great
introduction to CYL!

July 12-17

Gay Lea Foods
Co-operative Education
Centre (CEC),
Aylmer, ON



Adventurers

Open to campers ages 13 to 16, and/or
participants that have completed *Explorers*.

July 18-24 | Gay Lea Foods CEC, Aylmer, ON

August 8-14 | Lake St. George, Richmond Hill
↳ **Co-operative Housing Federation Week!**

August 15-21 | Lake St. George, Richmond Hill



Visionaries

Ages 15 to 17, and/or
participants that have
completed *Trailblazers*.

July 25-31

Gay Lea Foods CEC,
Aylmer, ON

CYL Camp Sponsorship Application

Please indicate which session you want to attend:

Explorers: July 12-17

Adventurers: July 18-24 August 8-14 August 15-21

Visionaries: July 25-31

Please indicate the type of sponsorship you are requesting:

Your Co-op Your Local Federation

Your Information

Your name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Email: _____

Your co-op: _____

Your Signature: _____

Name of parent (guardian): _____

Signature of parent (guardian): _____

After being a CYL Camp attendee, you
can share your experience with others by:

- speaking at your co-op's next AGM/GMM
- attending and presenting a report at your local federation GMM
- being active on your social media feeds and tagging your sponsor & CYL
- practicing what you learned at camp
- getting involved in your co-op's governance, social activities, etc.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Please email a scan of this
sponsorship application and a
letter of recommendation from
your co-op by **April 1, 2026** to:

htugwood@ontario.coop