

## FOUNDATION APPLICATION WILDERNESS DISCOVERY CAMP APPLICATION

For the FIFTH year in a row, George Jeffrey Children's Foundation is so pleased to sponsor a **FREE** camping experience. This year, we are doubling the number of clients who can experience this adventurous opportunity! That means **FOUR** lucky clients and their 4 guests (family, parents, guardians, siblings and/or support workers) can enjoy a week away at camp.

Wilderness Discovery is a fully accessible campground situated 80 kilometers west of Thunder Bay, Ontario. Wilderness Discovery was formed as a Non-Profit Corporation on April 7, 2017, with representatives on its Board of Directors from the Thunder Bay Rotary Clubs, Hill City Kinsmen, HAGI and the Shebandowan Lake Campers' Association who act as a management board to reorganize and refurbish the facility. The main use of the facility focuses on individuals with physical disabilities and their families, but the expectation is that the facility will be made available to other Non-Profit groups, corporate retreats, family reunions, and gatherings.

The successful applicants will each receive:

- Free 5 - person cabin rental that has been reserved from **Tuesday, August 25 to Sunday, August 30, 2025. Check In: 3 pm/Check Out: 11 am**
- Access to all amenities; lodge, pontoon boat rides, bonfires, fishing, swimming, beach, paddle boats etc.
- Gift cards to support purchasing groceries and other camping supplies etc.

Applications are due to George Jeffrey Children's Foundation **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 pm**. Applications will be reviewed by the Foundation's Board of Directors, who will select the lucky clients!

Completed applications can be mailed to the centre to the attention of the Foundation, emailed to [foundation@georgejeffrey.com](mailto:foundation@georgejeffrey.com), or dropped off at the centre's reception desk or mail slot at the front entrance.



*“My 5 year old son Tanner is a client at George Jeffrey Children’s Centre because he was born premature at 29 weeks and suffered a bilateral stage IV hematoma resulting in encephalitis and cerebral palsy. He has benefitted so greatly from the physiotherapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy provided by the amazing clinicians at the Centre. Tanner also uses mobility equipment to get around so when the opportunity came up to apply for a free client only camping experience at Wilderness Discovery Camp, a fully wheelchair accessible campground, I applied! Our family had an amazing time and we are so grateful to the Foundation for selecting our family and funding our camping experience!”*

- Erin, Tanner’s Mom



Tanner and his mom Erin – Gotta love a selfie at the lake!



The Varga family enjoying lake life!



5 year old Tanner Varga enjoying the Wilderness Discovery Camping Experience sponsored by George Jeffrey Children’s Foundation.



***All information will be retained and held in confidence.***

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**PLEASE PRINT**

**1. Promotional Release**

**PLEASE READ AND SIGN BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION**

I understand that to apply for this camping experience, all camp attendees will have to sign a release form authorizing George Jeffrey Children's Foundation to use and reproduce photographs, video and voice recordings. This applies, but not limited to, promotional initiatives such as brochures, videos, newsletters, e-mails, social media, information displays, public media opportunities and other educational purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**If you have more than one client of the Centre in your household, please indicate by simply completing another client information page.**

**2. Client Information:**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Mailing Address (If different than Home Address)

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If applicable:

Work # \_\_\_\_\_ Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your preferred method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the client use mobility equipment? (list) \_\_\_\_\_

Will the client require any on-site equipment as listed below, and provided by the facility? Please check any that apply.

Hoyer Lift  Hospital Bed  Shower Chair  Other  Please specify:

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On a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being most important), how important is accessibility to your camping experience?

5  4  3  2  1

## 1. Guardian Information – 18 years+

I am 18+ years of Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Initial)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (if different than client's address):

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Mailing Address (If different than Home Address)

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If applicable:

Work # \_\_\_\_\_ Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your preferred method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Please Share what you can below....

Tell us what it would mean to you and your family to able to experience Wilderness Discovery Centre?


If your comfortable sharing, can you tell us what programs you utilize at the Centre?


If you're comfortable sharing, please answer one or both questions below:

Tell us a bit about your journey to becoming a part of our George Jeffrey family?


Tell us about a positive experience you've had with our Centre and how your involvement has impacted your child's life?


**THANK YOU FOR APPLYING!**