



Spring 2018

Give more youth the opportunity to explore the outdoors with your small or generous gift. Outdoor Youth Connections is a 501(3)(c) organization, so your donation is tax deductible.

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As the weather warms up, don't forget to check the avalanche forecast before you head into the mountains. https://www.nwac.us

Do you have an event coming up that will encourage youth to Picture courtesy of CultureSeed

Your Collaboration is the Key

Your generous contributions have ignited the boundless potential of over 500 youth who have been inspired and transformed by outdoor programs since 2007. Therefore, we are extremely excited to announce our new "**OYC Endowment Fund**" to ensure that our mission thrives on in perpetuity, to connect youth with the opportunities and means to explore, study and preserve the natural outdoors, promoting personal growth and environmental consciousness.

Join our connections for a high-return community investment to insure that youth are better connected to the earth, themselves and one-another by meaningful experiences in the natural outdoors.

To make a gift to the OYC Endowment Fund, go to the link on our website or contact us for more information.

be active in the outdoors? Send the event details to jill@myoyc.org and we will share it on our Facebook page.

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OYC Embraces a New Vision and Mission

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Outdoor Summer Adventure Camps for Youth

Summer is all about having adventures and making memories when you are young. There are many summer day camps available in our area that allow children and young adults to spend time outside exploring nature.

<u>City of Everett</u> has many options including Adventure Camp where children ages 9-14 can learn to build outdoor shelters, go crabbing, and learn survival skills. They also offer a Sandblasters Camp where kids 6-10 spend their days on Jetty Island learning about plants and animals with hands-on activities.

<u>YMCA</u> offers many day camp options for children one of them being the Bold and Gold Teen Outdoor Leadership Camp. This camp is geared for older kids aged 11-18 and promotes leadership skills and appreciation of our natural outdoors. They range from camping and hiking trips to multi-night backpacking trips.

<u>Washington State Youth Conservation Camp</u> is an overnight camp for 12-16 year old boys and girls. Campers will stay on beautiful Orcas Island and will learn conservation methods and how to wisely enjoy the outdoors.

<u>Alderleaf Wilderness College</u> Wilderness education for youth ages 6-12 that teaches the basic skills of survival, navigation, and wildlife identification in a week long day camp that includes building communication and leadership skills.

Click Here! To make a Donation to OYC Programs or the Endowment

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