NEW HOPE
Center for Grief Support

IMPACT REPORT

Kid's Camp 2025



181
CAMPERS

275
VOLUNTEERS



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Kid's Camp
HITTING GRIEF OUT OF THE PARK



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KID'S CAMP SCOREBOARD

CAMPERS	YEAR	VOLUNTEERS
181	25	275

CLINICIANS	FIRST RESPONDERS	THERAPY DOGS
60%	8%	12%



44% returning campers



65% of campers lost a sibling or parent

31 cities our campers traveled from



20% experienced loss due to suicide or substance use



CAMPERS ATTENDED 11 STATIONS OVER THE STRETCH OF TWO DAYS

Art



Campers designed baseball hats in honor of their loved one and created memory "player cards."

Kickball



MI State Police showed campers healthy ways to release big emotions, such as playing a game of kickball.

Horse Therapy



Bridgewater Support Services helped campers connect with horses and lead them through obstacles.

Soccer



The MI Jags used soccer to teach campers how to work with others to navigate hard things.

Baseball



The Northville Township Fire Department taught campers how to catch feelings and find healthy releases.

Football



Campers supported each other as they navigated football drills and talked about how they navigate grief.

Mini Skateboards



Campers created their own miniature skate parks and discussed obstacles they faced in grief.

Songwriting



Lost Voices helped campers express themselves by having campers write and record a song about their grief.

Social Media



Erica Francis from Fox 2 News helped campers interview each other and create skits to express their grief.

Cardio Drumming



The Z Spot Fitness Studio taught campers to let go of heavy emotions through cardio drumming.

Grief Trail Mix

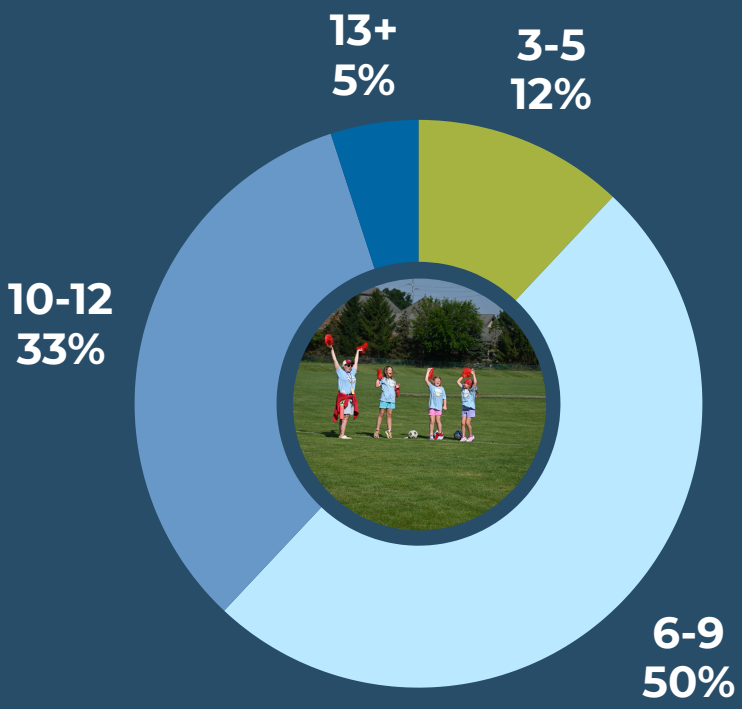


Campers created a trail mix using ingredients that each represented a grief-related emotion.

OTHER SPECIAL MOMENTS

- Northville Township Fire Department sprayed down the campers
- MI State Police brought some of their police dogs, cars, and motorcycles
- Summer Snow MI stopped by to surprise the campers with snow cones
- Dan Mancina, a blind skateboarder, demonstrated some skate tricks
- OL' Tyme Good Humor Ice Cream Truck supplied cold treats for campers

CAMPERS GROUPED BY AGE











THE CAMPERS HAD A BALL AND LEARNED SO MANY NEW THINGS...

"You can share feelings with others."
- Red Team Camper

[They liked] being with friends and others who understood.
- Caregiver of Camper

"The kids really connected with one another."
- Yellow Team Volunteer

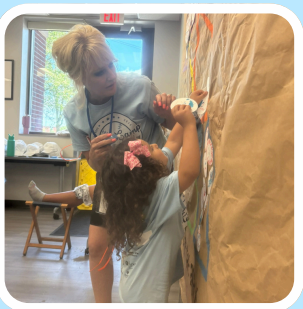


OUR VOLUNTEERS WERE A REAL CATCH






















KID'S CAMP WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT OUR REAL MVPS — OUR VOLUNTEERS!

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO MADE CAMP POSSIBLE









