

JCYS Program & Fundraising Benefit Summary



JCYS Overview

Since 1907, Jewish Council for Youth Services (JCYS) has been recognized as a leader in providing innovative programs and services that address the developmental, recreational and educational needs of children and their families. In the early years, the agency served Jewish immigrants through much-needed social and recreational outlets, including camps and after-school clubs. Today, JCYS impacts thousands of individuals of all races, ethnicities and religions through a variety of programs and services, including:

- **Three JCYS Family Centers:** Specializing in early childhood education and summer camps
- **JCYS Camp Red Leaf:** A camp and respite program for individuals with development disabilities.
- **JCYS Camp STAR:** A specialized therapeutic summer program for children with ADHD.
- **JCYS TEAMcorps:** An empowering leadership program for at-risk Chicago public high school students.
- **JCYS Jon Vegosen Champ Camp:** A tennis and fitness camp that focuses on teaching children how to make healthy lifestyle choices.

Why Support JCYS?

Like most nonprofits, JCYS faces many significant challenges. Many foundations and government funds are tightening their budgets, which has led to decreased funding from charitable organizations across the board. Yet JCYS continues to see an increase in the number of requests for financial support. While the agency maintains a commitment to helping as many families in need as possible, we unfortunately are unable to fulfill all requests. With the help of generous donors – like you! – JCYS will be able to increase the amount of scholarship dollars it offers annually to the families who are in need and keep program costs low. Here are a few examples of how your donation could impact JCYS:

- **\$10,000:** Provides a child with a year of enriching traditional preschool at a JCYS Family Center.
- **\$5,000:** Provides five weeks of therapeutic and recreational programming for a child with ADHD at JCYS Camp STAR.
- **\$2,500:** Allows four children with developmental disabilities the chance to experience a six day session of overnight summer camp at JCYS Camp Red Leaf.
- **\$1,500:** Provides three weeks of summer camp fun for a child at JCYS North Shore Day Camp.
- **\$1,000:** Allows six at-risk Chicago public high school students to participate in empowering leadership and skill-building activities through JCYS TEAMcorps.
- **\$700:** Introduces the joys of one week of overnight summer camp at JCYS Camp Henry Horner to a 3rd, 4th or 5th grade child.
- **\$600:** Provides three weekends of respite care for a child or adult with development disabilities at JCYS Camp Red Leaf.
- **\$350:** Provides a summer full of tennis and swimming to five at-risk campers at JCYS Jon Vegosen Champ Camp.
- **\$200:** Supports a day of programming at JCYS Camp STAR, Chicago's only therapeutic camp for children with ADHD.
- **\$100:** Allows a school-age child the opportunity to spend two days exploring the urban landscape of Chicago through JCYS Big City Day Camp.
- **\$75:** Provides two days of summer childcare and enrichment for a two year old at JCYS Sunflower Day Camp.