

CAMP

Wojtyła



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Our Story

Named after Saint Pope John Paul II, who loved to minister to young people in the outdoors, Camp Wojtyla is a Catholic Adventure program currently located on 1,200 pristine acres of wilderness in the heart of the Colorado Rockies. We believe that adventure experiences can be one of the most powerful tools for self-discovery and both personal and spiritual growth.

Whether it's taking a leap of faith in the highline or persevering while climbing up a 13,000 foot mountain, our campers encounter opportunities for growth in the midst of God's glorious creation.

Everything at Camp Wojtyla is designed to create future saints! Our intentional program objectives give each camper opportunities to:

- 🐾 Experience God's love through His creation
- 🐾 Encounter Christ and His Church in the Sacraments
- 🐾 Foster authentic Christ-centered relationships
- 🐾 Follow Christ's model of servant leadership
- 🐾 Understand their true identity as a son or daughter of God

At Camp Wojtyla we seek to **integrate the Catholic faith with adventure**, and with our 1:2 counselor to camper ratio, we're able to really dive into meaningful and memorable conversations that lead us back to our faith. We strive to bring out the best in each camper—and bring each person into a closer relationship with God.



A Time of Growth



Camp Wojtyla runs twenty different single-gender summer sessions for various age groups and types of adventure including a Middle School Wilderness Adventure, High School Alpine Adventure, High School Outpost Adventure, and High School Backcountry Expeditions. Since 2020, Camp Wojtyla has grown 90% now serving 600 campers with over 4,000 camper days annually. The Holy Spirit is truly evident in our ministry and guiding us to exponential growth!

Our growth isn't just limited to camp attendance. Since 2007, 9 women and 2 men have entered religious life, 14 men have been ordained priests, and 17 more men are currently in seminary. The Spirit is truly moving at camp!

The Vision

Camp has experienced tremendous growth in recent years. However, now is not the time to rest on our laurels. Camp Wojtyla is embarking on an audacious plan for the future as the mission has never been more relevant and attractive for transformative experiences for our young people. The Church consistently asks for renewal and requires vibrant organizations like Camp Wojtyla to engage in the New Evangelization by fostering deep, meaningful, spiritual experiences that lead to vocations to religious life and life-long Catholic disciples!

Guided by the Holy Spirit and led by our love for the Lord, we have been given a once in a generation opportunity. We have the opportunity to purchase an existing camp near our current leased location that is larger and better suited to meet our needs now and in the future. ***The time for bold action and deep faith to pursue excellence is now!***

Opportunities

The campaign for Camp Wojtyla will raise funds to purchase a new piece of property in close proximity to our current location. This new property will transform our organization and will allow for long term growth and sustainability.

This land purchase and expansion will allow the mission to continue for generations, create opportunity for growth in programming and attendance, eliminate current lease vulnerability, and streamline programmatic and logistical efficiencies. By acquiring this property, Camp Wojtyla will be able to:

- 🐾 Increase Basecamp programming by 4-6 teepees (potential for additional 360 campers for a summer season!)
- 🐾 Increase Outpost Program
- 🐾 Add fall and spring family programming
- 🐾 Create additional offseason revenue potential

Components

A CAMPAIGN FOR CAMP WOJTYLA: \$6M

ACQUIRING THE LAND

190 well-maintained acres
Sustainable family housing
20-acre spring-fed lake

COST
\$3,000,000

MAKING IT CAMP

Modifications for mission programs
Land survey
Transaction and professional fees
Ministry enhancements

\$2,000,000

STRATEGIC RESERVES

Property enhancement
Land management
Facility maintenance


\$1,000,000

CAMPAIGN TOTAL EXPENSE: **\$6,000,000**

Setting Up for Long Term Success

Beyond the acquisition and campaign, this land purchase has the potential to set Camp Wojtyla up for generational success and improved financial stability. Our overall financial position would drastically improve due to:

- ✿ *Reallocating roughly \$100,000 in current budgeted expenses currently reserved for existing land-related expenses such as our lease, etc.*
- ✿ *The projected revenue opportunities. The new property increases our income significantly, while our expenses are projected to remain stable.*
- ✿ *Additional revenue which will offset the current operational expenses. This will make the acquisition of property an investment that leads to long term sustainability.*

 ***We greatly appreciate your faithful and prayerful consideration of this truly life-changing opportunity! Thank you in advance for your sacrificial support!***



ALL SIZES AND TYPES OF GIFTS

are meaningful and important for Camp Wojtyla to successfully complete the \$6 million campaign goal. Structured and well-planned gifts from total wealth can dramatically elevate the ability to make a more generous gift.

The most common and simplest method of funding is a cash gift from your income stream. To achieve our goal, we encourage financial commitments over a one year or multiple years, up to a five year pledge. Pledges can be paid through monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual gifts.

There are also other methods of giving that allow donors to contribute larger gifts at lower costs. These include transfer of stock or securities or a qualified charitable distribution through your IRA.

You can share your intentions to give through a “Commitment to Give” pledge form. Thank you for your generosity for the future of our faith community!

As with all legal and financial matters, we recommend you consult with your personal legal, tax, and /or financial advisors before funding your gift.



CASH GIFTS/PLEDGES

Complete the pledge form. Please indicate the length of your pledge and your preferred form of payment. Checks should be made out to Camp Wojtyla with “Capital Campaign” in the memo line and mailed to P.O. Box 116 Erie, CO 80516. To give by credit card, set up your one-time or recurring gift online at camp-w.com/give.

STOCK OR SECURITIES

To transfer stock or securities, please contact Emily Ferril (eferril@camp-w.com) for the information you need to give your stock broker.

IRA MANDANTORY DISTRIBUTION

You will need to contact your IRA to make this gift and give them Camp Wojtyla’s FEIN (#47-4202980). Contact the camp office for more information. Please also let us know when your gift is on the way - not all IRAs include the donors name when mailing the gift.



"Throughout our summer working at Camp, Evelyn and I learned many lessons that remained with us through our dating years and into our marriage. Camp taught us how to endure hardships for the sake of something greater- Camp truly taught us how to sacrifice. We are incredibly grateful for Camp Wojtyla and pray that its mission continues so that someday we too may send our children."

John Paul + Evie
Married October 2020
2017 Counselors



"I saw God this week through the authentic friendships that Camp helped me cultivate. I also saw Him through the nature that surrounds us and was able to marvel at His immense love and desire for good things for me and everyone else. I was able to grow in my silent unguided prayer, just sitting with Him and loving Him and accepting His love back. My highlight was rock climbing and traversing because they were so fun and I was with such beautiful people."

High School Girl
2022 Camper



"Christ used this time at Camp Wojtyla to help confirm me in my vocation. Never before in my life have I been more instinctively and fundamentally drawn toward the priesthood. I cannot shake the sense that the fullness of my being and my path toward sainthood is found in the priesthood. Know that your prayers and support are not only doing good, they are truly changing lives. I am convinced that they are a key part in the renewal of this world in Christ."

3rd year Seminarian
Archdiocese of Denver

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