



Hello, Friends!

Talk about a Blast Off! In 2018 we couldn't even spell 501(c)3. In 2019, Project LiftOff emerged from the launch pad with a roar!

Thanks to your support and generosity, our first group of deserving kids attended a weekend of family camp at Lutherhill in February of this year. Young deaf children sporting cochlear implants supported by the All Ears Organization were led by camp counselors. The kids threw themselves into crafts, activities and outdoor fun while their parents networked and attended break-out sessions. Smiles were everywhere and the most lasting impression may have been made by the stars in the rural Texas night sky. Followed closely by the thrill of freshly charred marshmallows on a stick. Thanks to Lutherhill's experienced staff, our inaugural group of 58 had an unforgettable weekend.

Look what you've done!

"What a blessing!
The All Ears camp
was absolutely
amazing. Thank you
so much. You have
made such a
difference in our



families in just those two special nights. WOW! God is good and He is working through you!"

"The Lutherhill staff was outstanding!
The food was

delicious! The smiles and laughter were contagious! What an unforgettable weekend! We can never thank you enough."



Now look what you have done!

Our second group of campers, 47 in number, came from local area foster families. These foster children and their foster families attended in March. Rain showers did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of kids ranging in age from toddler to teen.

Campfire songs, games,

worship opportunities, and an impromptu scavenger hunt kept the kids on the move while parents cherished the chance to listen to speakers and share stories and ideas.

"Getting away with my family without the distraction of the world, it was great to be around other foster families for a long period of time and build community. I loved the swing and singing worship by the camp fire."



"Lutherhill was amazing, the staff, the food, the amenities. Our family really enjoyed this weekend and we are still talking about it."

A special donor has made it possible for 10 foster children to attend a full week of

camp at Lutherhill this summer. Aged 8 and up, they'll attend without their foster parents and will connect with new friends through shared fun and experiences. Stay tuned for photos of more happy faces.

Two additional sessions of Family Camp are on the calendar for fall 2019. Plans to send siblings placed in different foster homes to the same session are in the works. Often separated by many miles, these brothers and sisters treasure the rare opportunities to be together.

Project LiftOff goals also include plans to identify and provide the family camp experience to the children of deployed military members. Stay tuned to Mission Control as these ideas take shape.

At the suggestion of several supporters, a page is being added to the website, ProjectLiftOffFoundation.com, to facilitate donations made in honor or in memory of friends and loved ones.

The Lutherhill Family Camp experience is provided to Project LiftOff at a special rate and our goal is to fund two sessions each spring and two sessions each fall. Please visit our website ProjectLiftOffFoundation.com and make a donation or write an old fashion check. We are making a difference and need your continued support.

The Hauglies, Hitchcocks, Meyers and Van Sickles, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for helping us realize a successful launch of Project LiftOff. We hope you'll visit the website ProjectLiftOffFoundation.com for more smiling faces and share any ideas to keep the momentum going.

S'mores galore to all!

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