YOUR 2019 COHEN CAMPS IMPACT REPORT

Your partnership directly nurtures children and teens—and the adults they become. Together we create friendships, strengthen identity, and build enduring connection.

He grows at camp. It shapes how he handles himself all year at school, sports, and home.

-2019 Tevya parent

Top 5 WAYS KIDS & TEENS GROW, according to 2019 parent surveys:
1. Building deep friendships
2. Gaining independence & leadership skills
3. Experiencing unplugged living
4. Deepening Jewish values & connection
5. Flourishing with love & support to be their best selves

VIBRANT JEWISH LIFE
7 Shabbats together
10 steadfast Jewish Commitments
30 college-age counselors held Israel internships
34 Israeli counselors for our campers
113 Dor L’Dor Leadership teens traveled to Israel

Camp helps my children declare their confidence in being Jewish teens. That is priceless!

-2019 Tel Noar parent

I love camp! It’s where you can really be you.

-2019 Pembroke camper

INVESTMENT IN EXCELLENCE
510 skilled seasonal staff: role models, mentors, and caregivers, guided by 18 year-round leaders

Proud that 90% of campers return each year (70-80% is typical at peer camps, FJC 2018 Census)

With gratitude for
EACH SUMMER
EACH CAMPER
EACH FAMILY
EACH GIVER
EACH GIFT
You
60,000 Summers

For a combined 240 years, Camps Pembroke, Tel Noar, and Tevya have nurtured friendships, growth, and Jewish connection, in more than 60,000 summers here and in Israel.

Your support this year and over the years has shaped so many lives—and, by extension, so many schools, families, and communities. To every parent, alum, donor, volunteer, staff-person, and friend: Thank you. Todah rabah!

Jonathan Cohen
President, The Cohen Camps

WE THANK AND HONOR EACH 2019 DONOR:
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1,585 gifts, from $5 to $125,000
787 donors, including 232 for the first time
54 leadership gifts of $1,000+

EVERY GIFT MADE AN IMPACT
Each dot represents 1% of donated dollars
- Program Excellence
  Includes generous Reunion gifts
- Scholarship Funds
  Which help 1 in 4 camp families
- Facility Improvements
  18 bathrooms renovated this year
- Kadima Teen Leadership
  Yurt Villages coming soon!
- Staff Professional Development
- Dor L’Dor Friendship Fund
- Wherever it was needed most

GROWING UP ISN’T EASY. THAT’S WHY CAMP AND YOU MATTER.
Social media and the race to stand out can hinder kindness, empathy, and good mental health. Young people need more chances to grow independent, collaborative, and resilient. This is camp’s “superpower!”

At camp, youth gain friends, role models, and so many ways to stretch, persevere, and grow. With fun, song, laughter, and memories, together we build a solid foundation for growth, values, and lasting connection.

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