



A retreat for children with life-threatening illnesses and their families

Camp Sunshine is interested in utilizing “The Green” at Fort Williams Park for the conclusion of our 2018 SEALs for Sunshine event. The event will take place on Thursday, August 23 and spectators, primarily Camp Sunshine families and volunteers will arrive beginning around 1:00. Our expectation is that we will have between 150-250 people in attendance. Four to six participants should finish around 2:00. We would also request to bring a sound system for the participants, sponsors, and key staff members to address the crowd at the finish. The event will not require any tenting, seating, or tables. The event shall conclude no later than 4:00.

The actual event will begin with a swim from Seguin Island located 2.8 miles off Popham Beach State Park. At the conclusion of their swim participants will bike from Phippsburg to Cape Elizabeth (near the entrance to Crescent Beach State Park) and conclude by running the beach to beacon course.

At Camp Sunshine our purpose is to provide a year-round retreat, support, joy and hope to children with life-threatening illnesses, and their immediate families, through the various stages of a child’s illness. Located on the shores of Sebago Lake in Casco, Maine the program is free of charge to all families, and offers a host of indoor and outdoor recreation, psychosocial support, and the comfort of an on-site doctor, 24 hours a day.

The goal of the event is to raise \$60,000 to support military families with ill children. With all the challenges that military families face already, it is hard to imagine finding out your child has been diagnosed with leukemia, a brain tumor, retinoblastoma, renal disease, lupus, or any of the other diseases that Camp Sunshine faithfully serves.

Since Camp Sunshine offers one of the few programs in the nation designed to serve the entire family, we are continually striving to expand our services. As a result of our partnership with these incredible Navy SEALs the most vulnerable military and special operations families will have the opportunity to participate in our one-of-a-kind program.

We hope you will consider allowing Camp Sunshine to host this event at Fort Williams Park. Please let me know if you have any additional questions or if there is an opportunity for me to present this information to additional members of your team or the community.

Respectfully,

Michael Smith
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Camp Sunshine