

# CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED

Volunteer youth and adults are needed to fill counselor and other staff positions for one to four weeks for the following sessions:

\*Counselor Training.....June 24-26, 2010  
Camp SMILE I.....June 28-July 3, 2010  
Camp SMILE II.....July 5-10, 2010  
Camp SMILE III.....July 12-17, 2010  
Camp SMILE IV.....July 19-24, 2010

**COUNSELOR TRAINING FOR ALL CAMPS IS JUNE 24-26, 2010.**  
**IT IS MANDATORY FOR ALL COUNSELORS AND STAFF TO ATTEND THIS TRAINING SESSION.**

**CAMP SMILE I** will serve children with and without disabilities, ages 11-16

**CAMP SMILE II** will serve children with and without disabilities, ages 5-10.

**CAMP SMILE III** will serve individuals with disabilities, ages 17-23.

**CAMP SMILE IV** will serve individuals with disabilities ages 24-60.

All four camp sessions are sponsored by United Cerebral Palsy of Mobile.

All sessions of **CAMP SMILE** will be held at Camp Grace which is located in West Mobile. Campers participate in many outdoor activities, including swimming, boating, horseback riding, arts and crafts, music and many other activities. For many of our campers this is their one opportunity each year to get out of a city environment and into an outdoors setting. A ratio of one staffer to one camper is maintained when at all possible.

**The position of counselor is a voluntary, yet highly responsible position. For these reasons the following should be considered before completing this application.**

1. Application must be complete (including references) for the applicant to be considered for any position.
2. Applicant should be fifteen years of age or older before the first day of June.
3. Applicant should be mature and emotionally stable.
4. Applicant should be able to make rational decisions.
5. Applicant must be comfortable in the water and comfortable assisting the camper in the water.
6. The directors reserve the right to dismiss a counselor at anytime.
7. CPR certification is required. Classes will be offered. Please note the dates and times on the application. If you are already certified, send a copy of your card with your application and you will not need to attend.

**Please be advised that while the directors would like to give everyone who applies the opportunity to experience the adventures of Camp SMILE, the reality is that out of the 150+ applications we receive each year, we can only use approximately 100 volunteers. Of these 100 volunteers, at least 1/3 must be males. Hence when filling out your application, please keep in mind:**

**No applications will be considered after the deadline.**

**Acceptance of applicants will be based heavily on their written responses and their completed references.**

**EXPERIENCE** in summer camping and working with people with mental and or physical disabilities is desirable. Due to the nature of the camp, counselors and staff must be mature and conscientious individuals who like to work with people and are willing to always put the camper's needs and wants before their own – for above all you will be “people helping people”.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED** in volunteering as a counselor or other staff positions, please fill out the application and send it to:

**United Cerebral Palsy of Mobile  
Attn: Camp SMILE  
3058 Dauphin Square Connector  
Mobile, AL 36607**

For additional information, contact  
**Kerry Drew or Cecy Lowell @ 251-479-4900**  
**email: kerrymdrew@gmail.com**  
**email: clowell@ucpmobile.org**

**MEET THE DIRECTORS:** The Directors for Camp are Cecy Lowell, Kerry Tran, and Martha White. We will have two opportunities for you, your parents and your friends to meet us and learn about camp. These times will be **Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** at United Cerebral Palsy of Mobile. You will receive more information about these meetings after we process your application.

If you have any general questions about camp or questions regarding your application, please contact Mrs. Kerry Tran by email at [kerrymdrew@gmail.com](mailto:kerrymdrew@gmail.com) or Cecy Lowell at [clowell@ucpmobile.org](mailto:clowell@ucpmobile.org) or #251-479-4900.

**CPR CERTIFICATION:** All counselors and staff must have current CPR/First Aid certification. UCP provides two opportunities for volunteers to obtain this for only \$15: May 15<sup>th</sup> and May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Both classes are held at UCP of Mobile from 9am-3pm. If you have a current CPR card, please send a copy with your application.

**WHAT TO BRING:** All articles must be marked to insure safe return.

1 lightweight blanket	Tennis Shoes	Rain jacket/gear	Watch
Pajamas, shorts, long pants	Sandals/water shoes	Shirts, socks, light jacket	Alarm clock
Set of sheets (twin size)	Underwear	Swimsuit (NO two pieces)	Bug-spray
Pillow & pillowcase	2 wash cloths	4 towels: bath & beach	Flashlight
Prescription and Over-the-Counter medications.	Personal toiletry articles	Lg. garbage bag for laundry	

**WHAT NOT TO BRING:** Jewelry, anything of value that you would not want to lose, shirts with spaghetti straps, short-shorts, curling iron or flat irons.

**WHEN TO ARRIVE:** Counselors should arrive for Counselor Training between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 24, 2010 and should plan to remain through 3:00pm on Saturday, June 26, 2010. All counselors must attend Counselor Training. **FOR EACH WEEK OF CAMP, COUNSELORS SHOULD ARRIVE at 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY (not before) AND PLAN TO REMAIN UNTIL 1:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY.**

**MAILING ADDRESS WHILE AT CAMP:** Camp SMILE c/o Camp Grace  
11081 Wanda Dr.  
Mobile, AL 36608

**TELEPHONE:** Counselors will only have access to their cell phones at break time. There is no camp land line. If it is necessary for parents or other persons to get in touch with you, they should call your cell after 9:30pm. In case of an emergency, they may call Cecy's cell: #251-367-5813 or Kerry's cell: #251-232-4417.

**MONEY:** 3 meals and 2 snacks will be provided daily; there will be no need for money for food. However, some camp items will be available for purchase during camp.

***SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED in any BUILDING by any one. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. SMOKING on our GROUNDS is DISCOURAGED. CAMP SMILE STRIVES TO BE A SMOKE FREE FACILITY If you are under 19 years of age, you are NOT allowed to smoke.***

**NOTICE:** After your application has been reviewed you will be contacted by phone or letter. If you have not been contacted prior to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010, please contact Mrs. Kerry Tran at [kerrymdrew@gmail.com](mailto:kerrymdrew@gmail.com) or Cecy Lowell @ 479-4900 or [clowell@ucpmobile.org](mailto:clowell@ucpmobile.org) .

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