Summer Fun!

Summer camps, recreational orgs, ideas and tips!

The Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center

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<th>Name of Agency</th>
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<th>Contact Person 1</th>
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<td>Palms Recreation Center</td>
<td>Summer Camp</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>L.A. City Dept. of Parks &amp; Rec</td>
<td>(310) 202-4531</td>
<td>2950 Overland Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90064</td>
<td><a href="http://www.laparks.org/">http://www.laparks.org/</a></td>
<td>No aids provided. Typical camp program based at Palms Recreation Center/Park. K-8th. 9 weeks. Registration online.</td>
<td>1:10 Staff to camper ratio</td>
<td>Typical camp program. 5-12 years of age for day camp and 7-12 years for sports camp. Weekly camp. M-F $185 per wk, M-Thurs $160. Online Registration available. Day Camp and Sports Camp.</td>
<td>Field trips and extended care available.</td>
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<td>L.A. Dept. of Parks/Recs</td>
<td>Westwood Recreation Center Summer Camp</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>L.A. Dept. of Parks/Recs</td>
<td>(310) 473-3610</td>
<td>1350 Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025</td>
<td><a href="http://www.laparks.org/">http://www.laparks.org/</a></td>
<td>1:10 Staff to camper ratio</td>
<td>Typical day camp program.</td>
<td>Offer a variety of summer camp programs, day and residential. Call or Walk-In to sign-up. See Schedules on website.</td>
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<td>YMCA West Los Angeles</td>
<td>Westside Family YMCA Summer Camp</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>S.T.A.R. Program</td>
<td>(310) 391-1175</td>
<td>1311 La Grange Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025</td>
<td><a href="mailto:deirdraartinez@ymcawestside.org">deirdraartinez@ymcawestside.org</a></td>
<td>Typical day camp program for grades K-12. Call for integration opportunities for children with special needs and adults. Registration to YMCA required.</td>
<td>Typical camp program for current students or soon to be students of Warner Ave. Elementary only. Call office and ask for the S.T.A.R. application. First come, first serve process.</td>
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<td>Warner Avenue Elementary School</td>
<td>S.T.A.R. Camps LAUSD</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>S.T.A.R. Program</td>
<td>(310) 391-1175</td>
<td>1332 6th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401</td>
<td><a href="http://www.ymcasanta">www.ymcasanta</a> monica.org</td>
<td>Typical camp program for current students or soon to be students of Mar Vista Elementary only. Call office and ask for S.T.A.R. application.</td>
<td>Typical camp program for current students or soon to be students of Warner Ave. Elementary only. Call office and ask for the S.T.A.R. application. First come, first serve process.</td>
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<td>YMCA of Santa Monica</td>
<td>Santa Monica Family YMCA</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>Santa Monica Parks/Recs</td>
<td>(310) 393-2721</td>
<td>29646 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301</td>
<td><a href="http://www.ymca">http://www.ymca</a> westchester.org</td>
<td>Typical day camp program for children pre-k to grade 9th. Call for integration opportunities for children with special needs. Family camp and resident camp also available. Open to members and non-members.</td>
<td>Pre-school day camp (3-5yrs), elementary day camp(6-8th), CIT/Teen day camp (7th-12th), Camp Whittle adventure camp (2nd-12th), Overnight explorers (2nd &amp; up), Teen adventure Day Trips (7th-11th).</td>
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<td>Camp Kinneret</td>
<td>Summer Day Camp</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>Harold Gordon</td>
<td>(818) 706-8255</td>
<td>29646 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301</td>
<td><a href="http://www.campkinneret.com">http://www.campkinneret.com</a></td>
<td>1:7 Staff/Camper ratio. Typical day camp program for children ages 4 to 14. Call soon as spaces are limited. Visit website for more information.</td>
<td>Outdoor adventures, nature, petting farm, swimming, horseback riding, arts &amp; crafts, overnights.</td>
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<td>YMCA Westchester</td>
<td>Westchester Family YMCA Summer Camp</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>(310) 670-4316</td>
<td>8015 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045</td>
<td><a href="http://www.ymca">www.ymca</a> westchester.org</td>
<td>Typical day camp program for children pre-k to grade 9th. Call for integration opportunities for children with special needs. Family camp and resident camp also available. Open to members and non-members.</td>
<td>Offer a variety of summer camp programs. Call or Walk-In to sign-up. See Schedules on website.</td>
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<td>L.A. Dept. of Parks &amp; Recreation</td>
<td>Recreation Centers</td>
<td>Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>Search your local recreation center</td>
<td>(310) 398-5291</td>
<td>5070 Slauson Ave., Culver City, CA 90230</td>
<td><a href="mailto:culverslausonrecreation@laparks.org">culverslausonrecreation@laparks.org</a></td>
<td>Typical camp program located at Culver Slauson Recreation Center last 8 weeks from 9:30am to 3pm. Weekly fees of $10 and any add’l fees for trips. 6-12 yrs old.</td>
<td>Day Camp.</td>
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<td><strong>Veteran’s Park Rec Center</strong></td>
<td>Camp/Planet Janet, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>(310) 253-6650</td>
<td>Veteran’s Park, 4117 Overland Ave, Culver City, CA 90230</td>
<td><a href="http://www.culvercity.org/Government/PRCS/Recreation/DayCamps.aspx">http://www.culvercity.org/Government/PRCS/Recreation/DayCamps.aspx</a></td>
<td>Typical camp program—based on Culver City Veteran’s Park. 2 Camps for ages 5-10 and 11-14. Prices per week fees vary for residents and non-residents.</td>
<td>Day Camp- Arts, sports, soccer, fun</td>
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<td><strong>Kids Make a Difference</strong></td>
<td>Camp Exploration, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>YOUTH SERVICES FROM MARS</td>
<td>(818) 344-7838</td>
<td>Mars Academy site at 17730 Magnolia Boulevard in Encino (W. San Fernando)</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@kidsmakeadifference.org">info@kidsmakeadifference.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.KidsMakeADifference.org">www.KidsMakeADifference.org</a></td>
<td>1:4 staff/camper ratio</td>
<td>Small camp, provides personalized one-to-one attention. Children ages 8 to 13. Online application mailed to address on app.</td>
<td>Daily excursions, community service programs. Day and Residential camps. Enriching Summer School Program S.P.A.C.E.</td>
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<td><strong>City of Santa Monica Camps</strong></td>
<td>SM Sports Experience, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>City of Santa Monica Camps</td>
<td>(310) 458-2239</td>
<td>Reed Park Youth Office, 1133 7th St., Santa Monica, CA 90403</td>
<td><a href="http://www.Crest.smgov.net">www.Crest.smgov.net</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www01.smgov.net/comm_programs/camps/classes/index.htm">http://www01.smgov.net/comm_programs/camps/classes/index.htm</a></td>
<td>Typical camp program for children ages 4 to 13. CIT Camps focus on different sports and activities. Field trips, Tons of Fun!</td>
<td>For children ages 8 – 14 years who want to concentrate on sports activities. Full day and half day camps 11. resident and non resident fees. From $105-$190 a week (includes materials, trans, lunch, and admission) dates and location subject to change. Financial assistance.</td>
<td>Weekly themes. Field trips, sports activities, boogie boarding, BBQ’s.</td>
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<td><strong>Tocaloma Summer Day Camp</strong></td>
<td>Tocaloma Summer Day Camp, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>Julie Taren MA, MSW</td>
<td>(310) 458-8540</td>
<td>1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Julie.Taren@smgov.net">Julie.Taren@smgov.net</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.crest.smgov.net">www.crest.smgov.net</a></td>
<td>Typical camp program for children ages 4 to 13. CIT Camps focus on different sports and activities. Field trips, Tons of Fun!</td>
<td>For children ages 8 – 14 years who want to concentrate on sports activities. Full day and half day camps 11. resident and non resident fees. From $105-$190 a week (includes materials, trans, lunch, and admission) dates and location subject to change. Financial assistance.</td>
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<td><strong>City of Santa Monica- Rosie’s Girls</strong></td>
<td>Rosie’s Girls-2 Summer Camp sessions for Girls, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>Julie Taren MA, MSW</td>
<td>(310) 458-8540</td>
<td>1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Julie.Taren@smgov.net">Julie.Taren@smgov.net</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.crest.smgov.net">www.crest.smgov.net</a></td>
<td>Typical camp program for children ages 4 to 13. CIT Camps focus on different sports and activities. Field trips, Tons of Fun!</td>
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<td><strong>Loyola Village Elementary</strong></td>
<td>S.T.A.R. Camps LAUSD, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>(310) 670-0480</td>
<td>8821 Villanova Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90045</td>
<td><a href="http://soe.lmu.edu/centers/fos/partners/lv.htm">http://soe.lmu.edu/centers/fos/partners/lv.htm</a></td>
<td>Typical S.T.A.R. program only for children who attend Loyola Village Elementary. Call office and ask for more information and application.</td>
<td>Youth with special needs.</td>
<td>Typical S.T.A.R. program only for children who attend Loyola Village Elementary. Call office and ask for more information and application.</td>
<td>Camps focus on different themes, from basketball, swim, theatre, cheer, cooking, and science camp.</td>
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<td><strong>Etta Israel Center</strong></td>
<td>Camp Avraham Moshe, Special Needs, Operator</td>
<td>(818) 985-3882 ext 229</td>
<td>3200 Motor Avenue, LA (Vista del Mar campus)</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@etta.org">info@etta.org</a></td>
<td><a href="https://www.etta.org/">https://www.etta.org/</a></td>
<td>One to one counselor camper ratio</td>
<td>One week sessions available 9am to 3pm M-Th and 9am-2pm Fri. Scholarship funding available.</td>
<td>Summer Day camp for Jewish youth with special needs. Drama, Swimming, Crafts, Sports, Music, Games, Cooking, Trips, Tons of Fun!</td>
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<td><strong>City of Beverley Hills Recs/Parks</strong></td>
<td>Summer Camp, Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>City of Beverley Hills Rec/Parks</td>
<td>(310) 285-6850</td>
<td>Depending on which program, camp is at 5 locations</td>
<td><a href="http://beverleyhills.org/services/recre/parks/default.asp">http://beverleyhills.org/services/recre/parks/default.asp</a></td>
<td>Not enough staff to have one on one attention with child, but can make accommodations and will take students with own one on one if necessary</td>
<td>Typical day camp programs of various themes for ages 3-15. Open to residents and non-residents, fees vary.</td>
<td>This is a church based agency and has family camps all over the U.S. Cost is based on the number of people attending in each family, some scholarships</td>
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<td><strong>Joni and Friends Family Retreats</strong></td>
<td>Joni and Friends Family Retreats - Typical/Community Based</td>
<td>(818) 707-5664</td>
<td>PO Box 3333, Agoura Hills, CA 91376-333</td>
<td><a href="http://www.jonianfriends.org">www.jonianfriends.org</a></td>
<td>Joni and Friends Family Retreats has hosted five-day summer programs across the United States where families affected by disability can find hope and get a break from the challenges of everyday life.</td>
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<td><strong>L.A. Dept. of Parks &amp; Recreation</strong></td>
<td>Camp Hollywoodland</td>
<td>3200 Canyon Drive, Hollywood, CA 90068</td>
<td>(323) 467-7193</td>
<td>Camp.hollywoodland@LA CITY.org</td>
<td>Depends on need of child. Residential Camp for girls ages 6-8 years and 9-14 years. For typical Children. Please call for camps regarding a child with special needs.</td>
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<td><strong>Angeles Girl Scout Council</strong></td>
<td>Summer Camping @ Camp Osito-Rancho</td>
<td>840 Pearl Street, Unit C, Santa Monica, CA 90405-2501</td>
<td>(626) 677-2234</td>
<td><a href="http://www.girlscoutsla.org/pages/camp/camp.html">http://www.girlscoutsla.org/pages/camp/camp.html</a></td>
<td>Resident camping experience for girls in grades 1st through high school. Financial Assistance available. Call your nearest GSGLA service center or register online. Located at Camp Osito-Rancho in the San Bernardino Mountains. Day camps also available. Science &amp; tech, high adventure, drama, arts and crafts, horseback rising, marine settings.</td>
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<td><strong>Adventures Elite, Incorporated</strong></td>
<td>Camp Metoche</td>
<td>840 Pearl Street, Unit C, Santa Monica, CA 90405-2501</td>
<td>(310) 399-2316</td>
<td><a href="mailto:adventureselite@hotmail.com">adventureselite@hotmail.com</a></td>
<td>An overnight camping experience for Adults. Camp is specifically designed for people with disabilities. Activities include: hiking, swimming, canoeing, archery, sports, skit night, movies, dances, and more.</td>
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<td><strong>Ability First</strong></td>
<td>Camp Paivika</td>
<td>Lake Arrowhead, San Bernadino National Forest</td>
<td>(877) 768-4600 or (626) 396-1010</td>
<td>Abilityfirst.org</td>
<td>Groups consist of 5 to 7 campers of the same sex, similar age. Individuals are in large cabins with 2 to 3 groups in each cabin. Groups are supervised by 2 to 3 counselors. Camp is open to Children 7 years and older, Teens, Young Adults, and Adults with Physical and/or Developmental Disabilities. Weeklong sessions. Financial assistance available. More info online, schedule, fees, videos and more. Programs are designed to provide opportunities for individuals to make friends, build skills, and explore new interests in a safe camping environment. Swimming, horseback riding, adaptive sports, crafts, performing arts, nature studies, life skills, etc.</td>
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<td><strong>Carousel School</strong></td>
<td>After School Program/Camp</td>
<td>7899 La Tijera Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045</td>
<td>(310) 645-9222 ext. 105</td>
<td><a href="http://www.carouseldschool.com">www.carouseldschool.com</a></td>
<td>Hours are 2-5pm M-F and offer extended camp hours 8am -4pm during summer break. Students eligible for Regional Center services considered for admission. Contact program or visit website for details. Arts &amp; crafts, storytelling/discussion, music and movement, cold cooking, outdoor sports.</td>
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<td><strong>The Help Group</strong></td>
<td>Camp Discovery</td>
<td>Santa Monica Mountains of Pacific Palisades</td>
<td>(818) 779-5188</td>
<td><a href="mailto:campdiscovery@helpgroup.org">campdiscovery@helpgroup.org</a></td>
<td>The camp has a 1:3 ratio, small groups of 6 children, and incorporates integrated therapy throughout the day. For children ages 3-14 with mild to moderate special needs. Music, arts and crafts, creative movement, sports, swimming, nature activities, games, water play etc. Incorporates integrated therapy into camp day.</td>
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<td><strong>City of Santa Monica Camps</strong></td>
<td>Camp Santa Monica</td>
<td>Reed Park Youth Office, 1133 7th St., Santa Monica, CA 90403</td>
<td>(310) 458-8540</td>
<td>Crest.smgov.net</td>
<td>For children ages 8 – 14 years. Camp hours 8:30am-5pm, extended care available for additional fee. available for residents ($170) and non residents ($190). Fee includes materials, transportation, snack, lunch, and admission. Variety of camp activities, science, specialized classes, sports, performance, arts &amp; crafts, Field trips, etc.</td>
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<td><strong>Groupworks West: Social Skills &amp; Psychotherap y</strong></td>
<td>Theater Arts/Film Making Camp</td>
<td>3685 Motor Avenue Suite 150 Los Angeles, CA 90034</td>
<td>(818) 386-1094 or (310) 287-1640</td>
<td><a href="http://www.grouppworkswest.com/">http://www.grouppworkswest.com/</a></td>
<td>For kids 5-18 years old. Meets from 9:30am - 2:30pm on Wednesday and Fridays. Cost is $150.00 per day. Sliding scale is available. To develop social relationships through theater arts activities, improvisation, short plays, short films, monologues, scenes, music/dance, commercials, &amp; TV shows. Will focus on developing child's social imagination &amp; social motivation. To use their imaginations &amp; perspective taking abilities in order to</td>
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<td>F.A.C.T.</td>
<td>Summer Day Camp</td>
<td>Segregated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(310) 475-9620 ext. 1</td>
<td>FACT office in Westwood is the Home Base</td>
<td><a href="http://www.factfamily.org">www.factfamily.org</a></td>
<td>For children with developmental disabilities and/or a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Ages 10 to 18 years. Must be able to participate in small group activities with minimal support. Activities include filmmaking, swimming and outdoor activities, Games and academic enrichment, evening activities.</td>
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<td>Village Glen</td>
<td>Summer Day Camp - Social Skills Camp</td>
<td>Segregated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(818) 779-5188</td>
<td>13130 Burbank Blvd, Sherman Oaks, CA 91401</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nwebb@thehelpgroup.org">nwebb@thehelpgroup.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.thehelpgroup.org">www.thehelpgroup.org</a></td>
<td>All applicants will be interviewed to determine their match for the camp. M-F 9am-2:30pm, various dates. Ages 3 to 18 with Asperger's Disorder, High Functioning Autism and related challenges. Campers must be fully verbal, able to function in a group environment without one-one-one support and present with no significant behavioral challenges. Five one week sessions. Prices vary, look online for schedule and pricing or call. Recreational summer day camp program designed to facilitate social skills - runs for a total 5 weeks - Activities are designed to develop skills in the, following areas:Conversation, Theory of Mind Team-Building, Non-Verbal Communication, Anger Management, Frustration Tolerance, Friendship-Making, Organization, Emotional Development Creativity</td>
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<td>The Painted Turtle</td>
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<td>Segregated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(310) 451-1353</td>
<td>1300 4th Street, Suite 300, Santa Monica, CA 90401</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@thepaintedturtle.org">info@thepaintedturtle.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.thepaintedturtle.org">www.thepaintedturtle.org</a></td>
<td>1 adult: 2 campers &amp; nurses who join kids in cabins &amp; in all daily activities. Also staffed by top medical specialty prof's, volunteering to live at Camp throughout each session &amp; who work closely with our full-time staff of nurses and doctor. Ages 7-16. Must Fill out Application (which is available Online). 5-7 day sessions. An innovative camp and family care center for children with life-threatening illnesses. Focuses on serving children with one of the medical conditions found most in need of camp opportunities. Dx include: Crohn’s and Colitis, hemophilia, kidney disease and transplant, liver transplant, skeletal dysplasias, diabetes, and muscular dystrophy.</td>
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<td>LA Speech &amp; Language</td>
<td>Say N’Play Summer Speech Camp</td>
<td>Integrated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(310) 649-6199</td>
<td>5761 Buckingham Parkway Culver City, CA. 90230</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@speakla.com">info@speakla.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.SPEAKLA.com">www.SPEAKLA.com</a></td>
<td>1:4 or 1:2, depending on the needs of the child. Professionals include: Licensed speech pathologist/Physical therapist/Behavior intervention consultant. For children ages 3 to 9 years. Children are grouped according to their speech, language, and behavioral needs. All activities are designed to: Stimulate speech &amp; language development. Enhance socialization skills/friendships. Provide situations for increasing intelligibility through articulation activities. Increase attending skills.</td>
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<td>Wase Wagan</td>
<td>Crazzys Camp &amp; Retreat</td>
<td>Integrated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(909) 794-2910</td>
<td>42121 Seven Oaks Road Angelus Oaks CA 92305</td>
<td><a href="mailto:crazzycaig@earthlink.net">crazzycaig@earthlink.net</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.wasewagon.com/">http://www.wasewagon.com/</a></td>
<td>For children ages 5 to 15. Activities offered include horseback riding, swimming, diving, tennis, hiking, archery, riflery, animal care, beach activities, arts &amp; crafts, and a host of special events.</td>
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<td>Therapy West</td>
<td>Summer Fun Day Camp</td>
<td>Integrated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(310) 337-7115, ext 145</td>
<td>68717 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90034</td>
<td><a href="http://www.therapyster.com/">http://www.therapyster.com/</a></td>
<td>Facilitated by inclusive recreation specialists with occupation therapists (OT), physical therapist (PT) &amp; speech Therapist (ST) Consultation. Integrated camp for children ages 2-12 years old. 3- hour sessions. Registration is done by session not by week. Kids may attend 2-5 days per week each session. Sessions are divided by every 2 weeks. Prices and schedule online. For any child to experience in being involved in recreational activities, physically, developmentally, emotionally and socially with participants, with &amp; without special needs.</td>
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<td>Broadway Gymnastic School</td>
<td>Summer Camp and Special Ed Summer Camp</td>
<td>Integrated/Residential Based</td>
<td>(310) 302-0035</td>
<td>5433 Beethoven Street, LA CA 90066 (Just North of Jefferson Blvd,</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@broadwaygym.com">info@broadwaygym.com</a></td>
<td>Broadwaygym.com</td>
<td>1:5 staff/camper ratio</td>
<td>Ages 5 to 17 years. Activities include youth and kinder camps, movement and sports, hiking, swimming, and fitness training.</td>
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<td>Cali-Camp</td>
<td>Summer Day Camp</td>
<td>(310) 455-0404</td>
<td>1717 Old Topanga Canyon Rd., Topanga, CA 90290</td>
<td><a href="http://www.calicamp.com">www.calicamp.com</a></td>
<td>1:6</td>
<td>Typical camp program for children ages 4 to 14 years. Camp offers a variety of activities, academic enrichment, overnights, Horseback riding, swimming, water sports, dune buggies, Archery, ropes courses, hiking, etc.</td>
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<td>Mychal’s Learning Place</td>
<td>Summer Camp</td>
<td>(310) 297-9333</td>
<td>11901 Acacia Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250</td>
<td><a href="http://www.mychalsslearningplace.org">www.mychalsslearningplace.org</a></td>
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<td>Pre-teens and teens, ages 12 to 17 years, with developmental disabilities. May consider non-ambulatory. Activities include music, arts &amp; crafts, photography, cooking, bowling, sports, karate, etc.</td>
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<td>Club Twenty-One</td>
<td>Club21 Afternoon Summer Program</td>
<td>(626) 844-1821</td>
<td>539 N. Lake Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101</td>
<td>Clubtwentyone.org</td>
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<td>This summer we will have an exciting summer of learning at Club 21 for our students between 4 and 8 years old who will attend from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For students ages 9-16 there will be an afternoon program 2-4pm. Themes and centers covering literacy, math, and sensory and fine motor skills. Daily music and movement.</td>
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<td>UCP-LA</td>
<td>UCPlay Project Summer Camps</td>
<td>(818) 782-2211</td>
<td>1401 Olympic Blvd., Santa Monica 90404</td>
<td>Ucpla.org</td>
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<td>2 different camps, UCPlay-to-learn Parent/Child Summer Camp (18mths to 3yrs) and UCPlay Project of art and performance (7-12 yrs). To register, go to City of Santa Monica’s Activity Registration site. Day rates and $ week course rate. Sustain attention, Foster Engagement, Elicit communication, develop social relatedness, encourage creative expression etc.</td>
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Summer Ideas for Children from WFREC

- Plan a day camp with other families and take turns hosting it.
- Visit your Local Beach
- Zoo
- Accessible Parks (www.shanesinspiration.org)
- Plan a picnic
- Ride bikes
- Go on trail walks (local campgrounds or parks)
- Nature walks
- Treasure Hunts
- Visit local Pools
- Visit your Local Library (they plan many events and programs for summer)
- Matinee Movies
- Dollar Movies at certain movie theatres (South Bay Galleria)
- Buy season pass to theme parks
- Museums
- Sight seeing- visit different cities
- Aquariums
- Play dates with school friends (exchange phone numbers and addresses with child’s classmates)
- Plan a calendar with different fun events or projects
- Become a member to your local YMCA
- The man made beach by Redondo (Sea Side Lagoon)
- Have a Backyard camp
- Backyard water camp
- Camping
- Home Depot offers Kid Classes to learn crafts and building
- Michael’s stores offers arts and crafts classes
- Plant a garden
- Visit animal Shelters
- Take a train ride
- Ride the bus to different cities
- Go to the local “swap meet”, flea market, rodium open air market (great time to show child the use of money)
- Visit Farmers Markets
- Get teenage kids/neighbors to volunteer and help you with playdates, sports etc..
- Start a sports camp and talk to your local parks and rec.
- Ask local churches to borrow space to make camp or activities (work with other parents to form something)
- Visit Post office, take child shopping, Visit factories that make tours (great vocational support)
- Visit local fire department or police department (great way to teach your child but also let your local fire department and police department know about your family)
- Work on goals like potty training. Sensory etc. Make Goals for your child at home (Make your own Home IEP with your own ideas and goals)
- Join a book club
- Take music lessons
- Go for walks and learn about your neighborhood
- Some parks offer free lunch for kids during the summer
- Visit senior centers
- Ask neighbors for minor jobs your child/teenager can take on during the summer (rake leaves, sweep, wash cars, clean windows, walk groom or feed pets even pet babysitting etc..)
- Perfect time to have your children help you prepare an emergency kit and plan for an emergency
More Summer TIPS
Compiled by WFREC

It’s summertime, school is out, and many families are at their wit’s end about how to fill three months of their children’s free time. Images of summertime are usually cast in a light of hot, lazy, relaxing days by a lake, but the reality for most working families is the struggle to balance the demands of adult work schedules with providing safe activities for children. This dilemma often results in hectic, stress-filled days comparable to those during the school year. While summer camp is an option for some, the cost of day and overnight camps can be too expensive for many families’ budgets. Structured activities are beneficial, but parents and caregivers should also keep in mind the advantages of unstructured time for children.

So what do we do to keep young children busy, yet also allow them to enjoy the summer months? Whether your child is a preschooler or school-age, a wealth of opportunities for fun, educational, and even relaxing activities are possible. Here are some tips that may be useful for families and caregivers:

Visit the library

Until recently, libraries offered little or nothing for children below the age of three, but in the past few years, many have introduced programs for toddlers. Children and adults can participate in activities that may include reading aloud, storytelling, fingerplays, rhymes, and songs. Preschoolers usually enjoy the group activities offered by libraries, where they can participate in puppet shows and arts and crafts activities. For elementary school children, there are variations of the read-alouds and storytelling hours that often include discussions and presentations by the children themselves, as well as summer reading programs. Many public libraries also offer training courses for children in using different software or educational programs.

Discover geography

What makes a place special? What are the physical characteristics of your hometown? Take children for a walk around your neighborhood and look at what makes it unique. Point out how it is similar to other places you have been and how it is different. If you live near a park, a lake, a river, a stream or a creek, take your children there and spend time talking about its uses. Read stories about distant places with children or sing songs to teach geography, for example "Home on the Range" or "California, Here I Come." Make a wish list of places you would like to visit with your child. Look them up on a map and plan a trip there--real or pretend.

View and create collections

Go to a children’s museum to view hands-on exhibits or suggest that your children start a "collection" and build their own museum. They can collect natural materials, such as acorns and leaves from a local park or sea shells from the beach.
Nature’s best

Older children can learn about weather by using a map to look up the temperature of cities around the world and discovering how hot each gets in the summer. Watch cloud formations and imagine. Do the shapes look like horses, ducks or other animals?

At night, children can collect fireflies in jars, or depending on their age, camp out in a tent in the back yard. Create a treasure map for children to find hidden treats in the yard. Read about your state bird and state flower, and if possible, bicycle ride to a nearby park to find them.

Use community resources

Watch for special events, such as free outdoor music festivals or concerts. Many communities host evening concerts in local parks--pack a picnic dinner and enjoy time with your family. People are resources too--collectors, painters, and backyard naturalists may live in your neighborhood, eager to share their knowledge with children.

Rainy day activities

Summertime often brings thunder clouds. On days when outdoor activities are not possible, you can share family history and photos with your children. Pull out the old videotapes of past family gatherings and events. Prepare an indoor picnic with your child or cook dinner together.

Whatever the activity, children can enjoy and appreciate the summer months in ways that are both educational and stress-reducing for all involved.

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<td>Watch an educational television show with your child and discuss it.</td>
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<td>Pick up a library reading list appropriate for your child's age and help your child get a library card.</td>
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<td>Count the number of steps it takes to walk to the corner with your child.</td>
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<td>Read a newspaper article about the environment with your child.</td>
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<td>Have your child look for bugs. How many different kinds of bugs can he or she find? Size? Color?</td>
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<td>Cut pieces of paper into shapes and paste them in a quilt pattern with your child.</td>
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<td>Have your child tell you a favorite story.</td>
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<td>Have your child put an ice cube outside. How long until it melts? Until it evaporates?</td>
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<td>Make finger puppets with your child. Cut the ends off the fingers of old gloves. Draw faces on the fingers with felt tip markers, and glue on yarn for hair.</td>
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<td>Help your child find your town on a map.</td>
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<td>Teach your child a new skill like setting the table.</td>
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<td>Ask your child to watch for numbers in TV programs and commercials.</td>
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<td>Explain origin of holidays, such as Independence Day.</td>
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<td>Ask your child to write a thank you note or write a note to a relative or friend.</td>
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<td>Ask your child to watch the moon &amp; record changes in size and color.</td>
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<td>Have your child decorate a shoe box to store treasures.</td>
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<td>Practice printing or handwriting with your child. Make a certificate for job well done.</td>
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<td>Tell a story. Ask your child to tell it back to you.</td>
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<td>Ask your child to make a collage from things found around the house -- ribbons, string, buttons, pebbles.</td>
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<td>Show your child how and when to dial 911.</td>
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<td>Take your child to the grocery store. Talk about prices and weights of food.</td>
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<td>Tell your child a story about looking both ways before crossing the street.</td>
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<td>Find and use a computer with your child.</td>
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<td>Have your child read a story with a friend or sibling.</td>
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<td>Have your child talk with a person from another state or country.</td>
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<td>Cut a snack, such as an apple or orange, into equal parts and talk about fractions with your child.</td>
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<td>Have your child find 3 jobs in the classifieds that interest him or her and discuss them.</td>
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<td>Ask your child what being responsible means to him or her.</td>
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<td>Measure objects in a room with your child. Make a floor plan.</td>
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<td>Help your child organize his or her own library.</td>
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<td>Have your child be a pet detective and observe an animal.</td>
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<td>String a macaroni necklace with your child. Have him or her count the pieces of macaroni.</td>
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<td>Make a time capsule with your child and save it for a year or two.</td>
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Look up your local Seasonal or Year-Round Pools

- For City of Los Angeles please visit: http://www.laparks.org/dos/aquatic/aquatic.htm

- For the Culver City Municipal Plunge call (310) 253-6680 or visit: http://culvercity.org/Government/PRCS/Recreation/Aquatics/rec_swim.aspx

- For Santa Monica Swim Center call (310) 458-8700 or visit: http://www01.smgov.net/aquatics/

- For City of Inglewood swimming pools call (310) 412-5111 or visit: http://cityofinglewood.org/depts/rec/recreation_and_cultural_services/park_facilities/default.asp

- For City of Hawthorne Aquatics call (310) 970-7228 or visit: http://www.cityofhawthorne.com/depts/publicworks/commservices/aquatics/

- For Malibu Community Pool call (310) 589-1933 or visit: http://www.malibucity.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/DetailGroup/navid/174/cid/3754/

- For Lennox Park services call (310) 419-6712 or visit L.A. County online at: http://parks.lacounty.gov/Parkinfo.asp?URL=cms1_033407.asp&Title=Lennox%20Park

- For City of Torrance swimming pools call (310) 781-7113 or visit: http://www.torranceca.gov/Parks/10012.htm
In partnership with The Autism Society, we bring AMC Sensory Friendly Films to families affected by autism on a monthly basis to select communities.

AMC Theatres (AMC) and the Autism Society have teamed up to bring families affected by autism and other disabilities a special opportunity to enjoy their favorite films in a safe and accepting environment on a monthly basis with the "Sensory Friendly Films" program.

In order to provide a more accepting and comfortable setting for this unique audience, the movie auditoriums will have their lights brought up and the sound turned down, families will be able to bring in their own gluten-free, casein-free snacks, and no previews or advertisements will be shown before the movie. Additionally, audience members are welcome to get up and dance, walk, shout or sing - in other words, AMC's “Silence is Golden®” policy will not be enforced unless the safety of the audience is questioned.

Tickets are $4-6 depending on location and can be purchased on the day of the event.

Upcoming Sensory Friendly showings* include:
May 5 - Pirates! Band of Misfits
June 16 - Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted

All shows are at 10:00 am local time.
*Dates and films are subject to change.

Los Angeles AMC Theatres:
Covina 30: 1414 North Azusa Ave. Covina, CA
Del Amo 18: 3525 Carson St. Torrance, CA
Downtown Disney 12: 1565 Disneyland Dr. Anaheim, CA
Ontario Mills 30: 4549 Mills Circle, Ontario, CA 91764
Promenade 16: 21801 Oxnard Street Woodland Hills, CA
The Block 30: 20 City Blvd West Orange, CA
Vineland Drive-In Movie Theater

Enjoy a night at the Drive-in! Fun for all ages, affordable, and best of all kids can do whatever they want and no one complains 😊

443 N. Vineland Ave, City of Industry, CA
24-hour telephone Information: 626-961-9262
Email: feedback@vinelanddriveintheater.com

Open 7 days a week! Gates open at 8:00pm, shows start at dusk.
Prices: Adults $8.50, children $2.00.
On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights the first feature is repeated after the second feature is over. All films are broadcast in FM Dolby Stereo sound.

Now Showing
(call or visit http://www.vinelanddriveintheater.com/ for times and current movies)

Films are not shown in 3-D

The Lorax (PG)
playing with Big Miracle (PG)

21 Jump Street (R)
playing with Project X (R)

Hunger Games (PG-13)
playing with One For the Money (PG-13)

John Carter (PG-13)
playing with Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance (PG-13)
Epilepsy Teen Retreat

A week-long summer camp for teens with epilepsy, the Epilepsy Teen Retreat in the San Bernardino mountains has been an annual event since 2000. Teen Retreat provides an opportunity for teens with epilepsy to socialize, have fun, build confidence, and learn from each other. Our friends at the Art of Elysium provides a day of creative arts and entertainment, while the other days include exciting activities such as ice skating, hiking, swimming day at the lake, horseback riding, ropes course, bowling, a skit night and a closing party. See photos from Teen Retreat 2010.

NOTICE: Campers, Volunteers and Donors, thank you for your past attendance and support. Unfortunately, we will not be hosting our own Epilepsy Teen Retreat in 2011 due to funding constraints. Instead, we will be partnering with the other two Epilepsy Foundations in California to offer Camp Coelho in Yosemite in August 2011.

Camp Coelho

We are partnering with the other two Epilepsy Foundations in California to offer Camp Coelho at Yosemite National Park on August 7-12, 2011. Camp Coelho provides a safe, weeklong residential camping experience for children with epilepsy. Fun, nature-oriented activities help promote self-esteem, self-confidence and independence as well as build long-lasting friendships. Children ages 9 - 15 who have epilepsy as a primary diagnosis are encouraged to apply.

Adults & Friends Retreat

This all-day retreat for adults with epilepsy was first launched in 2008 as a partnership program with Keith's House Foundation. Regardless of the length (previously 2.5 days and now 1 day), the Retreat provides a rare opportunity for adults and their guests to share challenges and coping skills, develop supportive friendships and have fun together. Activities have included ropes challenge courses, hiking, games, dinner parties, dances, seminars, skating, museum tour and discussion groups. See photos from Retreat 2010.

For more information about these events, to volunteer, and/or to register, please contact us.

Contact | Patricia Leyva | 310.670.2870 ext.104 |
Shane’s Inspiration invites you to Shane's Club 2012

Our Vision: To eliminate bias against children with disabilities.
Our Mission: To create Universally Accessible Playgrounds and programs that integrate children of all abilities socially, physically and emotionally, fostering acceptance, friendship and understanding. Most playgrounds leave children with disabilities sitting on the sidelines. At Shane’s Inspiration, we believe full equality is essential, not optional. That is why our commitment is to provide complete inclusion for all individuals.

What: My Play Club® is one of Shane’s Inspiration’s community outreach programs. Our Los Angeles club is called Shane’s Club, a free club for children of all abilities that meets monthly for a Play Date at one of Shane’s Inspiration’s Universally Accessible Playgrounds. Face Painting, Arts & Crafts, and Snacks are provided (but please feel free to bring a sack lunch).
Who: Children of all abilities who want to play together and make new friends.
Why: Play is the common ground of childhood. Shane’s Club gives kids of all abilities the chance to play with and learn from each other.

When: Shane’s Club meets monthly typically on the last Saturday from 10:30am-1:00pm:
Where:
  - Shane’s Inspiration (SI): Griffith Park, 4800 Crystal Springs Drive, Los Angeles 90027 (Accessible Parking available in Merry-Go-Round Lot #3)
  - Aidan’s Place (AP): Westwood Recreation Center, 1350 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles 90024 (Accessible Parking available in adjacent lot, between Wilshire & Ohio)

Schedule for 2012
May 19, 2012 at AP
June 30, 2012 at SI
July and August 2012 ~ Happy Summer!
September 23 (Sunday) ~ Walk & Roll at SI
October 27, 2012 at AP
November 17, 2012 at SI
December 2012 ~ Happy Holidays!

PLEASE RSVP: By the Wednesday prior to the Play Date if you’d like to participate in activities. This will help us plan accordingly for craft projects and snacks. For more information and to RSVP, call Marjorie at (818) 988-5676 x101 email marjorie@shanesinspiration.org. Para mas información y reservaciones, comunícese con Karen Gilman al (323) 350-9225 o karen.gilman@att.net.

Marjorie@shanesinspiration.org ~ www.shanesinspiration.org

15213 Burbank Boulevard ~ Sherman Oaks, CA 91411 ~ (818) 988-5676
Visit Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs Website to see all the free or low cost festivals going on throughout Los Angeles in 2012 at www.culturela.org or get a PDF catalogue of all their events at:

http://www.culturela.org/events/Festivals/festivalguides/festivals12/2012_FestivalGuide.pdf

Some sample events from April include the following, but visit the site to see events for all summer:

**Getty Villa Family Festival**
This family-oriented festival offers a day of celebration and discovery inspired by exhibitions at the Getty Villa. Each unique festival features performances by local dance and music groups, storytelling, art-making workshops, and gallery activities.
*WHEN: April 21, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*
*SITE: The Getty Villa, 17985 Pacific Coast Highway, Pacific Palisades*
*COST: Free; a ticket is required*
*SPONSOR: The Getty*
*INFO: 310-440-7300*

**LA Zoo Earth Day Expo**
The Zoo's Earth Day Expo will be filled with entertaining and educational activities such as crafts, recycling and conservation information booths, games, and interactive activities.
*WHEN: April 21 & 22, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*
*SITE: Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens, 5333 Zoo Dr., Los Angeles*
*COST: Free with paid admission, $14 Adults, $9 Children (2-12)*
*SPONSOR: Los Angeles Zoo*
*INFO: 323-644-4200, www.lazoo.org*

**Los Angeles Times Festival of Books**
Take your love of books to new depths at the country's largest celebration of the written word. The festival includes over 400 authors blended with hundreds of exhibitors representing booksellers, publishers, literacy and cultural organizations, author readings, book signings, children’s activities, and more.
*WHEN: April 21 & 22, Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*
*SITE: USC University Park Campus, Los Angeles*
*COST: Free*
*SPONSOR: The Los Angeles Times*

**Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival**
The Cherry Blossom Festival provides a glimpse into Japanese culture through its program of cultural entertainment, exhibits, traditional Japanese dancing, taiko drumming, martial arts, a kimono fashion show, a tea ceremony, children's crafts, and more.
*WHEN: April 21 & 22, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*
*SITE: Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park*
*COST: Free*
*SPONSOR: Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival*
*INFO: 626-307-1390, www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us*
West L.A.

Summer Opportunities for Kids With Special Needs
From http://www.specialcampsforspecialkids.com/

**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY - CAMP REACH FOR THE STARS**
Offers children with cancer and their families (no charge) a camp staffed by healthcare professionals in a lovely forest and ocean setting. Many recreational activities.

Conditions: Cancer, Leukemia and Lymphoma
250 W. Citrus Grove Lane, Suite 260
Oxnard, CA 93036
805-529-2535
Web: [http://www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) or [www.bravekids.org](http://www.bravekids.org)
Email: Jennifer.Finnerty@cancer.org

**AYSO SOCCER CAMPS – VIP PROGRAM**
With more than 40 years of experience, AYSO brings our "kids first" philosophies to soccer camps, creating a camp experience unlike any other. We can accommodate and welcome kids with all special needs. Our coaching staff is trained to work with special needs kids through our VIP training.

Conditions: Various disabilities
Debbie Goodman
AYSO Soccer Camp Coordinator
12501 S. Isis Avenue
Hawthorne, CA 90250
800-872-2976
Web: [http://www.AYSOsoccercamps.org](http://www.AYSOsoccercamps.org)

**CALI-CAMP DAY CAMP**
Traditional summer day camp in rustic Topanga Canyon. Can accommodate children with asthma, behavior disorders and learning disabilities.

Conditions: Disabilities
1717 Old Topanga Canyon Road
Topanga, CA 90290
310-455-0404
fax: 310-455-0408
Web: [www.calicamp.com](http://www.calicamp.com)
Email: info@calicamp.com

**CALIFORNIA POOLS OF HOPE**
Offers free swimming lessons for children with disabilities.

Conditions: Disabilities
6801 Long Beach Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 90805
310-537-2224
fax: 310-537-2255

**CAMP CRESCENT MOON**
Provides sports, recreation and camp activities to children with Sickle Cell disease, ages 8-14.

Conditions: Sickle Cell Disease
Sickle Cell Disease Foundation of CA
6133 Bristol Parkway Suite 240
Culver City, CA 90230
CAMP DISCOVERY

Camp Discovery, a camp of The Help Group, is a place where children who have mild to moderate special needs can experience a fun filled day camp that features all of the same activities as a typical camp. Children are able to access the camp in a safe and successful manner because of the high counselor to camper ratio of 1:3. All of our counselors have special training. We have speech, occupational and music therapists consulting with our counselors to develop goals and interventions that will enable campers to enjoy daily routines and activities in a language-rich environment. Camp Discovery is designed for children who are able to follow basic directions in a group setting. The program is ideal for a child who is fully or partially included in his or her classroom during the school year, attends a collaborative preschool or kindergarten program or a special day class without an aide.

Conditions: Mild to Moderate Special Needs

The Help Group
13130 Burbank Blvd
Sherman Oaks, CA 91401

Web: www.thehelpgroup.org
Email: campdiscovery@thehelpgroup.org

CAMP ESCAPADES

Special summer day camp for children ages 4-13. Created for children with special needs, the program offers opportunities for typically developing children to be a part of this extraordinary experience. The camp is not designed to be a therapy program, but is staffed by a multi-disciplinary team of therapists together with teachers, counselors and volunteers.

Conditions: Special Needs

Pediatric Therapy Network
1815 W. 213th St. #100
Torrance, CA 90501
310-767-9848
310-328-0276

Web: www.pediatrictherapy.com

CAMP KEEPSAKE - CANCER HOPE FOUNDATION

Offers a no-cost residential camp experience for children and adults with cancer and their families.

Conditions: Cancer

568 Constitution Ave., Units F & G
Camarillo, CA 93012
805-384-5445
fax: 805-384-2203

Web: www.cancerhopefoundation.org
Email: info@cancerhopefoundation.org

CAMP OAKES - YMCA

Provides various camp programs for teens with developmental disabilities, ages 16 and up. Located in Big Bear.

Conditions: Developmental Disabilities

C/o Long Beach Adaptive Recreation
1150 E. 4th St. Rm. 223
Long Beach, CA 90802
562-570-1784

P.O. Box 452

Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center.  5901 Green Valley Circle, Suite 320, Culver City, CA 90230.  (310) 258-4063. www.wfrec.org
CAMP PAINTED TURTLE
Welcomes children ages 7-16 for 5-7 day sessions. An innovative camp and family care center for children with life-threatening illnesses, ages 7-16, at no cost to families.


1300 4th Street, Suite 300
Santa Monica, CA 90401
310-451-1353
fax: 310-451-1357

Web: www.thepaintedturtle.org
Email: info@thepaintedturtle.org

CAMP RAMAH - Tikvah Program
Tikvah Program provides a mainstreaming summer camp program for children 11-18 years old. Two 4-week sessions designed for Jewish adolescents with learning disabilities and other developmental delays.

Conditions: Developmental Disabilities

Camp Ramah in CA
15600 Mulholland Dr. #252
Los Angeles, CA 90077
310-476-8571
fax: 310-472-3810

Web: www.ramah.org
Email: info@ramah.org

CAMP RONALD MCDONALD FOR GOOD TIMES
Traditional summer camp modified to meet the special needs of campers with pediatric cancer and their siblings. One week sessions throughout the summer, plus winter, spring and fall weekend sessions.

Conditions: Cancer

1954 Cotner Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90025
800-625-7295
310-268-8488
fax: 310-473-3338

Web: www.campronaldmcdonald.org
Email: info@campronaldmcdonald.org

CAMP SHIWAKA
In addition to traditional day camp for all children, Camp Sommersault Day Camp offers one-week sessions for cancer patients and their families.

Conditions: Cancer

7070 E. Carson St.
Long Beach, CA 90808
562-421-2725
Contact: Shirlee Jackert
CAMP SUNSHINE

Camp Sunshine is a unique day camp designed especially for children ages 3-22 who have Autism and other developmental disabilities. Our multidisciplinary team of professionals ensures a creative and fun summer program designed to maximize a child’s potential and develop his/her strengths and abilities. Camp Sunshine campers are grouped by ability and age with a 1:3 counselor to camper ratio. Our camp provides fun enriching activities in a safe nurturing environment while building campers confidence, self-esteem, practical life skills and growth towards independence. The camp program facilitates physical and social growth through a wide variety of exciting activities which includes sports, music, games, art, drama, special events, and much more!

Conditions: Moderate to Severe Special Needs

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13130 Burbank Blvd
Sherman Oaks, CA 91401

Web: www.thehelpgroup.org
Email: campsunshine@thehelpgroup.org

CRAZZY’S WASEWAGAN CAMP & RETREAT

Traditional residential summer camp that can provide camp activities and programs to girls and boys with developmental disabilities, as staffing ratios permit. Camp Wasewagan is located in the Angeles Mountains.

Conditions: Developmental Disabilities

42121 Seven Oaks Rd.
Angeles Oaks, CA 92305
909-794-2910

Web: http://www.lazyranchcamp.com
Email: crazzycraig@earthlink.net

DOUGLAS FAMILY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Provides pre-school summer camp in an inclusive setting. Children with Autism/Aspergers will be interviewed before acceptance into the program. Ages 2-5 years.

Conditions: Disabilities

Sinai Temple
10400 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90024
310-481-3270
Contact: Judy

Web: www.sinai temple.org/temple/douglas_family.php

EARLY CHILDHOOD "CLUBHOUSE" INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

After-school program for children ages 2-6 with autism, Asperger's, developmental disabilities and/or behavioral disorders. Five days a week, 1-5 pm. Highly structured and integrated program includes various recreational activities.

Conditions: Autism, Developmental Disabilities

UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute and Hospital
760 Westwood Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90024
310-825-0367
Contact: Becki Cox, Ph.D.

Email: Bcox@mednet.ucla.edu

FROSTIG SCHOOL SUMMER ARTS PROGRAM: INSPIRING YOUR CHILD’S CREATIVITY

The Frostig School is offering two summer art programs for students, ranging in age from 11 to 18 years old. Due to the popularity of jewelry making, students will work
with beads, found objects and clay to create, package and market their unique collections. The second part of the class will focus on the art of silk-screening and will cover photo emulsion and screening processes as well as design elements. This class will begin on July 5 and meet twice a week (Tuesday/Thursday) for four weeks.

In the ceramics class, which starts July 6 and meets for four weeks (Monday/Wednesday), students will receive instruction in making ceramics and have access to indoor/outdoor facilities, pottery wheels and tools throughout the course. All artwork will be fired by instructors.

The class size is limited to 12 students with a low student-teacher ratio (6:1).

Dates: 07/05/2011 to 08/01/2011
Cost: $295 per class (cost for all material is included)

Conditions: Learning Disabilities

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971 N. Altadena Drive
Pasadena, CA 91107
(626) 791-1225
Contact: Gerrie Raven
Web: www.frostig.org/
Email: gerrie@Frostig.org

**GENE HURWIN & BIG FUN at Santa Monica Gymnastics Center**

Innovative method utilizing gymnastic “play” for kids with special needs. Recreational programs and therapy services available at various locations throughout Southern California.

Conditions: Special Needs

3710 S. Robertson Blvd. Suite 225
Culver City, CA 90232
310-837-7849
toll free: 877-244-3868
fax: 310-838-8454

Web: www.bigfungymnastics.com
Email: gene@bigfungymnastics.com

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**GREATER LOS ANGELES CROHN’S AND COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA**

**CCFA Camp Oasis**

Provides a week-long residential summer camp in July for children 7-16 years old. Also offers info, events and support groups year-round.

Conditions: Colitis, Crohn's Disease and Irritable Bowel Syndrome

1640 S. Sepulveda Blvd. #214
Los Angeles, CA 90025
310-478-4500

Web: www.ccfa.org/chapters/losangeles/
Email: losangeles@ccfa.org

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**GRIFFITH PARK BOYS CAMP**

A residential camp for boys, ages 6-17 years old. Call ahead for camps pertaining to child with special needs.

Conditions: Special Needs

4730 Crystal Springs Dr.
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323-664-0571

Web: www.laparks.org
Email: GP.boyscamp@lacity.org

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**KEN’S VHAP CAMP**

Designed for special needs boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 16. Offering age-appropriate, developmental, fun and engaging activities exclusively on site. Programs vary on a day-to-day basis, providing the children with a unique daily experience to meet individual and group needs.

Conditions: Developmental Delay diagnosis, genetic disability, mild to moderate retardation.
For children with physical / medical handicaps requiring limited specialized supervision. Vendored by the Regional Centers.
KIDS MUSIC N MOTION

We offer Summer Music Camps for children ages 3-12 and we always love to have special needs children participate. They are day camps in the Beach Cities, La Canada and Palos Verdes areas. Please feel free to look at our website.

Conditions: Special Needs

Contact:
Annette Gunderson
Music N’ Motion
P.O. Box 4332
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA. 90274
310-373-0280

Web: [http://www.kidsmusicnmotion.com](http://www.kidsmusicnmotion.com)
Email: kidsmusicnmotion@cox.net

LAZY J RANCH CAMP

Residential summer camp for children ages 5-15, including those with ADD. Located in Malibu.

Conditions: ADHD / ADD

Box 505 Route 2
Malibu, CA 90265
310-457-5572

Contact: “Crazzy” Craig Johnson

Web: [www.LazyJRanchCamp.com](http://www.LazyJRanchCamp.com)
Email: crazzy CRAIG@earthlink.net

SAY ’N’ PLAY SUMMER SPEECH CAMP

Summer day camp for ages 3 and above, to improve speech and language development.

Conditions: Autism, Learning disabilities, Articulation/phonological disorders

5761 Buckingham Parkway
Culver City, CA 90230
310-649-6199

Contact: Pamela Wiley

Email: laspeechandlang@earthlink.net

SPECIAL OLYMPICS/SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Provides information on Special Olympics sports programs throughout Southern California. Ages 8+.

Conditions: Mental, Developmental Disabilities

5875 Green Valley Circle, Suite 200
Culver City, CA 90230
800-832-6276

Web: [www.sosc.org](http://www.sosc.org)

TEENS ON THE GO

Teens on the Go is a unique social skills camp designed especially for teens, ages 13 to 18, with Asperger’s Disorder, High Functioning Autism, and related challenges. Our exciting camp program features daily trips, tours, activities and events throughout the greater Los Angeles area guaranteed to offer fun, skill building, and foster new friendships. Professional and highly trained staff ensure that social skills development is integrated into every aspect of this exciting camp program.

Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center.  5901 Green Valley Circle, Suite 320, Culver City, CA 90230.  (310) 258-4063.

[www.wfrec.org](http://www.wfrec.org)
Each day will begin and end with a short group activity designed to facilitate peer communications and interactions. Daily transportation via mini-vans will also foster social connections as campers travel in small groups and share common adventures throughout the week.

Conditions: Aspergers Disorder, High Functioning Autism and related challenges

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Sherman Oaks, CA 91401  

Web: www.thehelpgroup.org  
Email: teensonthego@thehelpgroup.org

TUMBLEWEED DAY CAMP

Traditional summer day camp that can accommodate children with asthma, behavior disorders and learning disabilities. Located in Brentwood.

Conditions: Disabilities

P.O. Box 49291  
Los Angeles, CA 90049  
310-472-7474  

Web: www.twforever.com  
Email: info@twforever.com

VILLAGE GLEN CAMP

Village Glen Camp is a highly specialized social skills camp designed to facilitate peer interaction, create fun social learning opportunities and foster meaningful friendships for children, ages 3 - 13, with Asperger's Disorder and High Functioning Autism. Village Glen Camp focuses on helping campers develop core strengths in the areas of: conversation, theory of mind, team building, non verbal communication, anger management, frustration tolerance, organization, emotional development and creativity. These skills are integrated into fun summer activities which include drama, music, games, arts and crafts, sports, contests, special events, outings, and much more.

Conditions: Aspergers Disorder, High Functioning Autism and related challenges

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Web: www.thehelpgroup.org  
Email: villageglen@thehelpgroup.org