Safe Families

....a special camp for special kids...

A unique camp for children and their families who have survived domestic violence...

Positive healing process diminishes self blame and alienation...

Typical camp activities along with a counseling component...

Week-long, free program at the Ronald McDonald Camp in Eagle Lake, CA...

Provides fun, education, and fosters self-esteem....

Professional, licensed counselors and dedicated community volunteers as staff....



"Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of overcoming it." Hellen Keller

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Safe Families Camp

A healing camp for kids impacted by domestic violence





Safe Families Summer Treatment Camp is a camp that helps youth recover from the detrimental effects of exposure to parental domestic violence Children and teens exposed to domestic violence are at high risk of repeating damaging cycles of violence, have feelings of anxiety and depression and isolate. Many don't get to experience a "typical" childhood, and may feel responsible for their families. The goal of this camp is to provide a healing environment to kids, and a safe family adult, if applicable, while also allowing them to experience the joys of childhood camping. Kids sleep in cabins, sing camp songs, engage in activities like arts and crafts, archery, hiking, biking and swimming. For a week, kids who attend the Safe Families camp can break their isolation, be with peers who have experienced similar circumstances, talk with professional counselors and engage in counseling under the blue sky of Northern California.

Advice from a Tree By Ilan Shamir

Dear Friend. Stand Tall and Proud Sink your roots deeply into the Earth Reflect the light of a greater source Think long term Go out on a limb Remember your place among all living beings Embrace with joy the changing seasons For each yields its own abundance The Energy and Birth of Spring The Growth and Contentment of Summer The Wisdom to let go of leaves in the Fall The Rest and Quiet Renewal of Winter Feel the wind and the sun And delight in their presence Look up at the moon that shines down upon you And the mystery of the stars at night. Seek nourishment from the good things in life Simple pleasures *Earth, fresh air, light* Be content with your natural beauty Drink plenty of water Let your limbs sway and dance in the breezes *Be flexible* Remember your roots Enjoy the view!

Healthy families must build strong roots



Dates: July 3rd-9th, 2016

<u>Place</u>: Ronald McDonald Camp, Eagle Lake, California

Cost: Free to qualifying children

<u>Ages:</u> 8 to 17 years old, male and female, and a safe adult family member

To sign up a child:

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