



2022

# ANNUAL REPORT



**SUMMIT GROVE**

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**"CREATING SPACE FOR PEOPLE TO ENCOUNTER GOD SINCE 1875"**



# FROM THE DIRECTOR

## **New Beginnings.**

This has been a major theme across the 2022 year at Summit Grove. As I'm writing this, the bulldozers are rumbling around as water pipes are being laid (hurray for strong infrastructure!) and dying trees are being pulled down -- making way for new trees being planted this Spring. The maintenance pole barn construction will be complete by the end of March, and our 15 brand new RV sites will be ready for visitors by late Spring. The Youth Barn now has water access, and the blueprints are being completed this month to add a kitchen and bathroom to it. It's all very exciting!

Throughout this past year, we were able to connect with 17 local churches who hosted their church services throughout the summer here for Summit Grove Sundays. We saw over 400 children spend their week enjoying the outdoors and growing in their faith during the 10 weeks of summer camp. Dozens of church retreat groups, youth conferences, worship events, and community gatherings were held here, in alignment with our mission to "create space for people to encounter God, connect with others, and enjoy life."

One of my favorite memories from 2022 was seeing dozens of individuals make the choice to become baptized, with sounds of erupting joy from those witnessing as they emerged from the water. My prayer for this year is that this land will be baptized once again under the Lord's glory and power, and that anything not intended to move forward into this next season of new beginnings would fall away.

Thank you for taking this journey with us. May God be glorified by new beginnings.

Dustin Kunkle, Executive Director



# 2022 AT A GLANCE

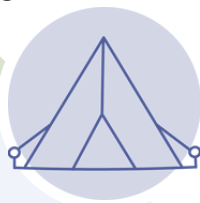


**110** Groups Served

Overnight retreat groups and day rental groups

**418** Summer Campers

17 camps over 10 weeks



**4,750+** Lives Impacted Spiritually

Including 20 salvations and 55 baptisms

**33** Programs and Events

Summit Grove led events including Family Camp, Summit Grove Sundays, Volunteer Work Days, and family-oriented events!



**320** Volunteers and Donors

Over 4,200 volunteer hours and \$193k raised from generous givers!

## Additional Highlights:

- \* Construction began on new water/sewer/electric for half of camp plus 15 RV sites
- \* \$4k given to Camper Scholarship Fund
- \* Implemented new mgmt software (for easier booking & camp registration!)



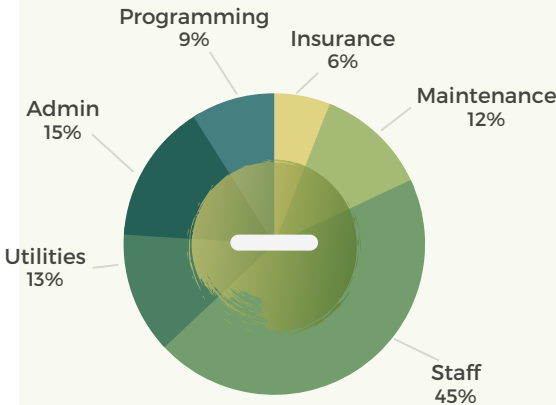
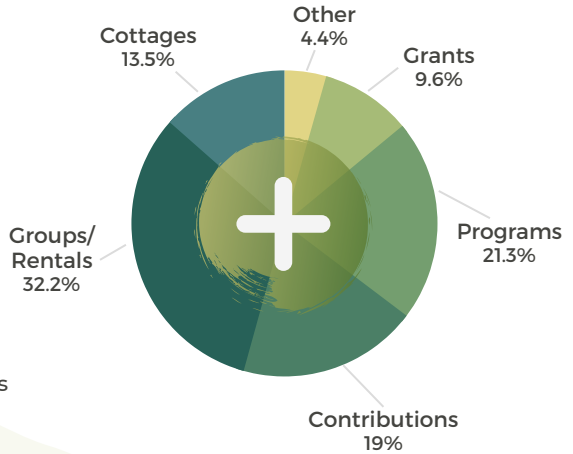
# FINANCIALS

**OPERATING  
INCOME**  
**\$494,660**

**\$193k**

in donations/grants

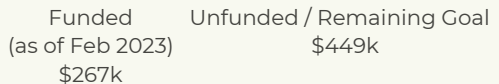
- \$93k in general donations
- \$25k in general grants
- \$53k in capital campaign donations
- \$22k in capital campaign grants



**OPERATING  
EXPENSES**  
**\$503,878**

**PHASE 1  
RENOVATIONS**

Total Phase 1 Scope - \$716k

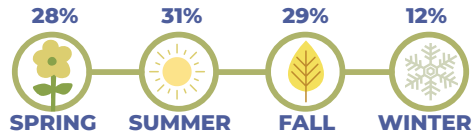


# CREATING SPACES

## ...and co-creating opportunities!

**Year-round.** Summit Grove offers overnight lodging, meeting spaces, activities, and meals to ministries, church groups, and community organizations looking to host conferences, events, or retreats.

### BOOKINGS BY SEASON

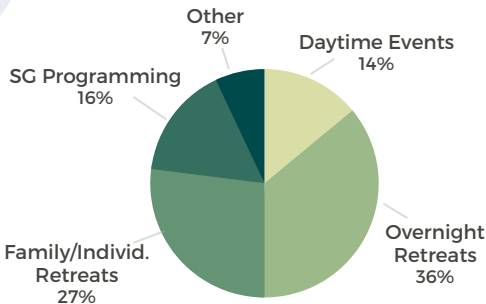


**7** Free Pastor's Retreats

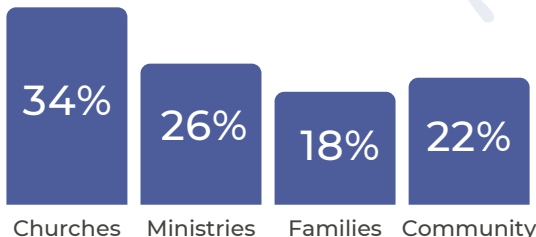
**35** Overnight Retreats

**120+** Christ-Centered Events

### BOOKING TYPES



### GROUP TYPES



**+** From feedback garnered through online surveys, we found the following experiences to be the most common takeaways from guest retreats at Summit Grove:

- > MEANINGFUL CONNECTION W/OTHERS
- > REST
- > FUN
- > GROWTH IN FAITH
- > PRAYER
- > WORSHIP
- > LISTENING TO THE LORD
- > CLARITY OF THOUGHT/MINIMIZED DISTRACTIONS



# SUMMER CAMPS

**17** SPECIALTY CAMPS  
( 6 Partner-Led / 11 Summit Grove-Led )

**CAMPERS**  
( Up 33% since 2021 ) **418**



Almost equal ratio of male to female campers ( 49.6% male vs. 50.4% female )



Camper ages ranged from 6 to 14, with an average age of 9 years old

Summit Grove offers a great variety of summer day camps for kids in York County, PA and the surrounding region all summer long! Hundreds of campers enjoy a fun outdoor experience in a safe, spiritually-uplifting environment!

**MOST POPULAR CAMPS**

- Art Camp
- Adventure Camp
- Animal & Nature Camp

**6** COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS  
( Including Lacrosse, Field Hockey, Drama, Football, and other camps )

**CAMPER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS** ( Up 130% since 2021 )

**23**

**10 Weeks of Fun!**



# CAMP IMPROVEMENTS

## Phase 1 / RV Site Update

Phase 1 renovations continue to go well. The water, sewer, and electric installs are about 80% complete! The construction crew is focused on outlining the RV sites, and getting them ready for curbing when the weather is warm enough. We are working on some blueprints for adding a kitchen area to the Youth Barn, a project which a church from North Carolina has graciously offered to lead for us! Construction is scheduled to start February 2023 on a Maintenance Pole Barn, which should be done by Spring 2023. We will also be planting 350 new small trees around the campground! Although the rain in Fall 2022 delayed this project timeline, the warmer weather during the winter is allowing the construction crew to still work consistently in order to bring our RV sites online, hopefully by May 2023!



## Women's Bathhouse Renovation



## Lodge Conference Room Ceiling Replaced



# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR 2023 EVENTS AT SUMMIT GROVE!

<b>APR</b>	<p><b>15th:</b> Spring Volunteer Work Day</p> <p><b>22nd:</b> Day Camp Open House</p> <p><b>24th-28th:</b> Mason Dixon Awakening</p>
<b>MAY</b>	<p><b>4th:</b> National Day of Prayer</p> <p><b>11th:</b> Rail Trail Towns Summit</p> <p><b>19th:</b> Regional Worship Night</p> <p><b>28th:</b> "The Itzels" Live in Concert</p>
<b>JUN</b>	<p><b>19th-23rd:</b> WEEK 1: Explorers Day Camp</p> <p><b>26th-30th:</b> WEEK 2: Arts &amp; Crafts Day Camp</p>
<b>JUL</b>	<p><b>2nd:</b> Fireworks Show &amp; Community Family Night</p> <p><b>10th-14th:</b> WEEK 3: Animal &amp; Nature Day Camp</p> <p><b>16th:</b> New Freedom Sesquicentennial Celebration (Date TBD)</p> <p><b>17th-21st:</b> WEEK 4: Adventure Camp / Lacrosse</p> <p><b>22nd-29th:</b> Family Camp</p>
<b>SEPT</b>	<p><b>29th-Oct 1st:</b> Tabernacle Gathering 2023 + Encounter Night of Worship</p>
<b>OCT</b>	<p><b>6th:</b> Regional Worship Night</p> <p><b>14th-15th:</b> Cowboy Weekend + Comedy Show</p>
<b>NOV</b>	<p><b>18th:</b> Fall Volunteer Work Day</p>
<b>(Ongoing)</b>	<p><b>Jun-Sept:</b> Summit Grove Sundays</p>



Children at Summit Grove circa the 1940s



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