

HISTORY CORNER – CARL B. KERN FUND

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Thank you current Board Members for your support and guidance.

If you are interested in joining the YMCA Camp Kern Board or a Committee please get in touch with Chris Addison, Executive Director at 513-932-3756.

Since 1987 the Carl B. Kern Fund of the Dayton Foundation (www.kernfund.org) has been raising funds and making distributions to honor Carl. B Kern and advance 'organized camping' with YMCA Camp Kern being the sole beneficiary. A small but dedicated group of individuals have donated their time, talent and treasure over the years, soliciting donations and managing the fund with incredible results.

The fund has grown from an initial \$1,000 to more than \$530,000, with YMCA Camp Kern receiving annual distributions. The 2021 distribution of \$20,000 is helping complete the Circle K Ranch project, and providing scholarships for summer campers.

Below, is a copy a thank you letter from the Camp Executive Director to the CB Kern fund for the very first distribution, of \$201 in 1989. We are so lucky to be receiving 100 times that amount! Thank you to all involved for their support of Kern!



YMCA CAMP KERN

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Dr. Stuart Weinberg
Carl B. Kern Fund
1895 Kettering Tower
Dayton, Ohio 45423-1395

Dear Dr. Weinberg:

YMCA Camp Kern was most pleased with receiving a check for \$201.00 to support a youth participant in one of our camping experiences.

This years recipient of the funds was a sixteen year old young man by the name of Lloyd Alley. Lloyd matched the \$201.00 thus allowing him to take advantage of our first Voyager Trip. This trip was a "Boundary Water" canoe expedition of ten days in Northern Minnesota.

Once again, I want to thank the Carl B. Kern fund for their support.

Sincerely,

Larry Maxwell
Executive Director