



Global Camps Africa

Empowering Children For An AIDS-Free Tomorrow

Global Camps Africa was founded on a belief in the power of camp.

Veteran U.S. camp owner, Philip Lilienthal, brought together his belief in the transformational nature of camp and his passion for helping people around the globe to create a powerful force in the lives of South African children.

Lilienthal learned about camping first-hand as the owner and director of Camp Winnebago in Maine. Prior to taking over the camp, Lilienthal experienced the challenges and triumphs of Africa as a Peace Corps volunteer from 1965-1967. He established and directed Ethiopia's first residential summer camps. After 30 years of owning and directing a camp in the U.S., in 2003, Lilienthal drew on both experiences to pursue a new goal, to help children affected by the HIV/AIDS crisis in South Africa.

GCA was founded to create an enduring foundation and a prototype camp dedicated to changing attitudes and behaviors of South African children and youth about HIV/AIDS and their future. In January 2004, Global Camps Africa had established its first residential camp program in South Africa, Camp Sizanani.

Located in a mountain area outside of Johannesburg, Camp Sizanani provides education, HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention and crucial life skills all wrapped up in a spirit of fun and camaraderie. Multiple times a year, hundreds of children from some of South Africa's poorest townships hardest hit by the HIV/AIDS crisis come together for several magical days at camp to learn, to laugh, and to love again. The children are not left alone after camp: GCA provides biweekly followup programs in the form of Saturday Kids Clubs that enhance and expand the camp experience.

What began as belief in the power of camp has become a model for changing the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable children.

What You Can Do

- You can help change the lives of South Africa's vulnerable children and youth. Your generosity allows us to bring camp to more children and empower them for an AIDS-Free tomorrow. Learn more at <http://www.globalcampsafrika.org/donate>.
 - \$50 can cover the food costs for one child attending our biweekly Kids Clubs meetings for a year
 - \$250 can buy arts and craft supplies for 140 children attending a camp session
 - \$500 sponsors one child to attend camp and a year of Kids Clubs meetings
 - \$5,000 can cover the cost of a month of Kids Clubs meetings
 - \$70,000 underwrites one camp session for 140 children and 35 counselors
(includes: facility rental, food, transportation, supplies, activities, and staff)
- Sponsor a GCA DVD-screening or event that raises money for GCA.
- Sign-up for the GCA newsletter – go to www.GlobalCampsAfrica.org
- Follow GCA on Facebook and Twitter – go to www.GlobalCampsAfrica.org for links
- Volunteer to be a counselor for two weeks in South Africa!

Contact GCA

For more information, to discuss ways you can support GCA, or to request materials, please visit our website www.GlobalCampsAfrica.org or contact us at info@GlobalCampsAfrica.org or 703-437-0808.

Global Camps Africa changes the lives of South Africa's vulnerable children and youth by providing HIV/AIDS prevention education and training through high-impact residential camp and day camp experiences and continuing education. Thousands of vulnerable South African children participate in camp and Kids Clubs activities each year through generous contributions from donors from around the globe. Learn more about Global Camps Africa at www.GlobalCampsAfrica.org