



Royal Family KIDS Sioux Empire

Providing life-changing moments for children of abuse so they can once again DREAM, BELIEVE, and FIND NEW HOPE for their FUTURE. A one-week summer camp for abused and neglected children in foster care in Minnehaha County, South Dakota, operating under the oversight of Royal Family KIDS, Inc., a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public charity, based out of Santa Barbara, California.

Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire 2015 Statistics

Camp Dates	July 25-31, 2015	Number of Staff	70
Number of Campers	52	Staff from BVAG	28
26 Male	26 Female	Special Event Volunteers	62
Number of Guides	26	Special Event Volunteers from BVAG	7
12 Male	14 Female		

Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire Financial Summary

Each Royal Family KIDS Camp is essentially a franchise, operating under an existing non-profit and under the oversight of Royal Family KIDS, Inc. and hosted by a local church, in this case, Brandon Valley Assembly of God. As such, each camp is responsible for its own fundraising. Because the camp is operated by a volunteer staff, all funds raised go directly to the camp. The average Royal Family KIDS Camp budget for a camp serving 28 campers is \$35,000-\$45,000.

This year for our camp of 52 campers, we raised \$58,733.99 through fundraisers, private donations and grants. Our expenditures totaled \$57,099.56 as broken down below.

Expense Category	
Staff Training and Background Checks	\$8,309.86
Promotion	\$1,213.38
Facility Cost	\$11,720.08
Recreation Supplies	\$4,578.32
Camp Supplies	\$10,335.70
Meals	\$6,340.77
Special Camp Events	\$5,725.72
Bussing	\$1,413.71
National Office Distribution & Donations	\$7,462.02
Total	\$57,099.56

Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire 2016 Outlook

Our 2016 Camp is scheduled for July 23-29, 2016 (with campers present July 25-29). We are planning to host 48-52 campers this year with a budget of \$50,000. This year's fundraising efforts include personal asks, mission contribution by volunteers, a Royal Tea Event on February 20, 2016 and our 3rd Annual Charity Golf Fundraiser on June 2, 2016. We would like to schedule two recruiting Sundays at Brandon Valley Assembly of God the last two weeks in January or first two weeks in February and also plan to promote at other Brandon churches.

The 2016 leadership team is made up of Amanda Barton, Director; Carol Beldin, Assistant Director; and Advisory Board of Russ and Pam Vermulm, Amy Lawrence, Jim Harris, CathiJo McGee, Ginger Nelson, Ginnie Kull, Mary Konvalin, Brian Roth, and an Activities Director yet to be assigned.

Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire Plan for Growth

During our 2014 Camp, our 12-year-olds told us, "Don't you dare drop us. You have to do something!" And we are! Together with Fostering Hope, we are transitioning our graduates (campers 12 years and up) to a new program called BOOMERANG where adults continue to invest in these teens and tweens as they discover their potential and develop life skills for continued success. Fostering Hope now also oversees the one-day JUMP events which provide respite for foster families and the opportunity for campers to reconnect with each other and the love of Jesus through the hands and feet of caring and trained volunteers.

Royal Family KIDS, Inc., has a unique, but proven philosophy when it comes to growth. Set up as a franchise, Royal Family KIDS, Inc, is able to duplicate its impact as non-profits, typically churches, launch and sustain an annual week of camp. We have laid the groundwork with the state of South Dakota, and the Department of Social Services is excited for us to provide the opportunity for more children.

We are advancing on our goal of seeing four additional camps to serve foster children in Minnehaha and Lincoln Counties started by July 2018. The Ransom Church in Sioux Falls is in the developing stage to host a camp in 2016 and Sioux Falls First and Embrace are also entertaining the possibility of serving as launch churches over the next few years. With the growth of the Sioux Empire camps, we foresee the orchestration of fundraising and fund distribution becoming more centralized and are working with Fostering Hope in developing effective accounting practices. Huron First Assembly of God is also preparing to host a camp in 2016 and Fostering Hope continues in conversation with Watertown, Mitchell, Aberdeen and Yankton exploring the launching of camps in their communities.

Making an Impact That Will Last

In three years, Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire has hosted 135 campers - 69 unique children in foster care, extending the impact to their foster parents, birth families and case workers – not to mention our camp staff, donors and friends of Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire. What joy it brings us to see young fruit in our campers begin to grow as they return each year with new peace, courage and confidence growing from the seeds of God's love planted in them. Royal Family KIDS Camp is preparing the soil and planting the seeds for them to DREAM, BELIEVE and FIND NEW HOPE for their FUTURE.

Preparing for a great Harvest,



Amanda Barton, Director
Royal Family KIDS Camp Sioux Empire