

Learn, Explore, and Move this



Milton Foster Children's Fund, a program of CASA of the Pikes Peak Region, wants every youth in foster care to have the best summer ever! We have partnered with local day and overnight camps to bring you the best deals around, including camps that are free.

This guide will help you identify opportunities for youth to try a variety of activities, make new friends, learn about the world around them, and create memories that build normalcy and resiliency.

- If you have a youth in foster care who is PLACED through El Paso or Teller County, they are eligible for funding through Milton Foster Children's Fund (MFCF). This fund provides **up to \$250 once per year, per youth**, to help pay for activities not covered by other agencies. MFCF applications can be filled out online at <https://www.casappr.org/programs/milton-foster-childrens-fund/mfcf-apply/>.
- If you have youth in foster care who have already used their MFCF funding for the year, we have worked out discounted rates for a limited number of kids and teens with some of the camps. **Please contact Jill C. at CASA before applying to the camps so that she can pass on the youth's name for the discount.** These are all first-come, first-served, with a limited number of spots at some of the camps, so get registered today!

There are camps all over Colorado; this is just a short list of the camps available. Feel free to submit an application for any camp your youth would like. If you don't see the camp you want, please check out these sites for more options:

<http://www.coloradospringskids.com/pages/summerCampDirectory.html>

<http://www.coloradospringssummercamps.com/>

Please contact Jill C. at jillc@casappr.org or 719.447.9898 x 1026 with questions or for more information. Thank you!

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OVERNIGHT CAMPS

Each overnight camp offers different activities, which can include swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, camp fires, outdoor adventures, and more! Check out the websites below to pick the best fit for your camper. If you do not see your preferred overnight camp below, please contact Jill C. with the camp information and we will try to work with them to make camp as affordable as possible.



Camp Shady Brook

Week-long Camp: Ages 8 to 16

Half-week Camp: Ages 6 to 8

Location: 70 minutes from Colorado Springs near Deckers, CO (North of Woodland Park)

Cost: FREE with MFCF Funding; May be able to help if used MFCF funding already

www.ppymca.org/camp-shady-brook



Eagle Lake Camp

Ages: 8 to 18

Cost: FREE with MFCF Funding

<http://eaglelakecamps.com/>

1 hour from Colorado Springs, southeast of Rampart Reservoir.

Weeks Available for MFCF Funding:

Week 1: June 4-9

Week 2: June 11-16 (fills up quickly!)

Week 9: July 30- Aug 4

Week 10: High School Week Aug 6-11



Royal Family Kids Camp

Ages: 8 to 18

Cost: \$25 per youth (MFCF funding not available)

Address: Various locations throughout Colorado.

royalfamilykids.org/colorado-2/

DAY CAMPS

Day camps are completely unique to the location they are held. Locations can be at an outdoor camp, at a school, at a YMCA, and more. With so many to choose from in our community, you can definitely find the perfect camp for your camper. Please check with your local school district, community center, place of worship, etc. for other day camps that may be near you. Many schools and community organizations offer their own.



Eagle Lake Camp

Ages: 7 to 12

Cost: FREE with MFCF Funding

Three local locations: Glen Eyrie, Springs Community Church, Peyton. Other locations available throughout Colorado.

eaglelakecamps.com/day-camps/



YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region

Ages: 5 to 12

Mini-Camps (half day):

Briargate, Tri-Lakes, Downtown, Southeast, and Garden Ranch

Day Camp:

Briargate, Downtown, Garden Ranch, Southeast, Monument, Meridian Ranch

www.ppymca.org/programs/youth/day-camp



CATAMOUNT
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Creepy Crawly Safari

Ages 6-8, half day camp - Free with MFCF Funding

Field Science Camp

Ages 10-12 - Free with MFCF Funding

Dirt Camp

Ages 10-12 - Free with MFCF Funding

Location: Camp drop-off is at Catamount Institute, 740 W. Caramillo St., 80907

Educational

Summer break is a great time to make sure your youth stay on top of what they have learned during the school year. Foster youth are likely to be behind in school due to different placements, which typically results in a change of schools.



Science Playhouse

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Ages: 1st through 8th grade

Address: Various locations, including Briargate, Monument, North C/S, The Classical Academy North, The Club at Flying Horse, Garden of the Gods, and Vanguard School South

Cost: Free with MFCF or \$50 special discount

<http://www.scienceplayhouse.com>

Game Programming, Robot Warz, 3D Design and Printing, Xtreme Engineering, and more.



Sylvan Learning of N. Colorado Springs

Ages: 1st through 8th grade

Address: 7862 N Academy Blvd, 80920

Cost: Free with MFCF funding or \$150 special price

<https://www.sylvanlearning.com/>

Coding, robot building, and science exploration.



PPCC – Teen College

Ages: 7th through 11th grade

Address: PPCC Centennial or Rampart Range

Cost: Free with MFCF Funding

<https://www.ppcc.edu/workforce-development/teen-college>

Choose from 25 different half-day programs, including zoo keeping, culinary arts, coding, digital music/radio, game design, graphic design and more!

* MFCF funding can be used for tutoring *

You can find a tutor on your own, including teachers who currently or formerly worked with the youth, or contact Jill C. for tutors that we work with. They typically charge a rate which will make the MFCF funding go further since, tutoring can be very expensive!

Art and Theater



Color Me Mine

Ages: K through 6th grade

Address: 1710 Briargate Blvd, STE 182, 80920

Cost: FREE with MFCF funding, 50% off for 2 youth per session

<http://www.colormemine.com>

Different art-themed weeks all summer



Fountain Arts Center/DanceArt Academy Studios

Ages: 3 and up

Address: 7049 Bandley Drive. Fountain, CO 80817

Cost: Free with MFCF funding, varies without

<http://fountainartscenter.com>

Come feel like a princess, troll, circus member, or Broadway star! Offering theater and classes in Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Acro, Broadway & more.



THEATREWORKS

Ages: 8 to 13

Address: 3955 Regent Cir, 80918

Cost: Free with MFCF Funding

<http://www.theatreworkscs.org/>

A variety of theater camps, including Theatre Sports, two different fun Shakespeare camps, Comic Book Capers, and Physical Theatre.



Academy of Children's Theatre (ACT)

Ages: K through 12th Grade

Address: 2314 Vickers Drive, 80918

Cost: Free with MFCF Funding

<https://actcolorado.net/>

A selection of musical, acting, Broadway, and combination camps from a variety of popular movies, books, and plays.

Sports and Dance



J and J Hip Hop Dance Company

Ages: 4 to Adult

Address: 4749 N. Carefree Cir, 80917

Cost: 6 months of lessons free with MFCF funding

www.jandjhiphopdance.com/

Every level of dancer welcome for hip hop, breakdance, voice ensemble, and tap



Flipshack

Ages: 6 through teens

Address: 1789 South 8th Street, 80905

Cost: Free with MFCF funding or \$179 special rate

www.flipshack.com/

Choose from Agility featuring Pure Bouldering, Urban Gym, and Tumbling



Soccer Buddies

Ages: 15 months to 12 years

Address: Various locations throughout Colorado Springs, Monument, Castle Rock, and Denver

Cost: Free with MFCF funding or 25% off special discounted rate

<http://www.coloradosoccerbuddies.com/>

Learn soccer and team-building skills, improve conditioning and stamina, and fitness fun!



US Taekwondo Centers

Ages: 5 and up

Address: Various locations in Colorado Springs, Monument, The Citadel, Lehman Drive, Stetson Hills, and Black Forest

Cost: Free with MFCF funding

<http://martialartscoloradosprings.com/camps/>

Full and half-day camps include uniforms, snacks, and each youth will break a board in half on their last day of camp!

Sports and Dance

Ninja Kid's Warrior Style Skills Training Camp

Ages: 7 to 14

Address: Springs Trampoline Park, 2512 Airport Rd, 80910

Cost: Free with MFCF funding

www.suzannehimka.com/ninja-warrior-camp

Warped wall, salmon ladder, hanging grips, ropes course, canon ball alley, rings, walls, balance drills, quintuple steps, trampolines, mini tramps, and kids compete against kids their own size.



Kids on Bikes

Ages: 2 years old through 8th grade

Address: Throughout Colorado Springs

Cost: Free with MFCF Funding, bikes also available with nomination form

<http://kidsonbikes.net/camps/>

From push bikes to mountain bikes, there is a camp for every skill level!

Miscellaneous



Kilroy's Workshop

Ages: 9 to 18

Address: Studio is in an airplane hangar in Falcon, Colorado (Meadowlake Airport)

Cost: Free with MFCF funding

<http://www.kilroysworkshop.com/classes/>

Blacksmithing, woodworking, and welding for kids! Based on four levels of skill-sets.



Peace Camp

Ages: 9 to 13

Address: Hillside Comm. Ctr., 925 S. Institute St.

Cost: Free with MFCF Funding

<http://www.ppipc.org/peace-camp/>

Daily crafts and projects to focus on Peace with Self, Neighbors, the Earth, the World, and Becoming Peace Builders.