

# Aransas Pass For Youth, Inc.

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Aransas Pass City Council  
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I am submitting a Sponsorship Request on behalf of the Aransas Pass for Youth Summer Camp Program. We are a 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit Charitable Organization which provides a Summer Camp Program in Aransas Pass. **Our mission** is to continue to provide a safe and supervised Latchkey and Summer Program for at risk youth of Aransas Pass and the surrounding areas. The APFY Latchkey and Summer Program provides opportunities for children to experience positive individual and group recreation activities that enhance social skills and provide lifelong benefits, including enjoyment of literacy, respect for the environment and social skills to remain drug and gang free. **We serve** approximately 225 children primarily from Aransas Pass as well as the surrounding communities within the Coastal Bend.

We offer a 7 week program from June 13, 2018 through July 27, 2018. We challenge the children not only physically, but mentally as well. We offer physical activities such as swimming, bowling, arts and crafts, kayaking and fishing. As well as educational activities that include guest speakers such as Mr. Kippy from the Public Library, Connections program focus on positive relationships, AYUDA teaches drug and gang prevention and the Corpus Christi food bank teaches our youth about nutrition and good eating habits.

**The average fee** per camper to attend summer camp is \$325. The average cost per camper is approximately \$1000. We award approx. 30 camp scholarships each year to **Aransas Pass youth**.

**I am requesting in-kind facility usage of the city Aquatic Center on Tuesdays from the hours of 10:00am – 3:00pm starting June 19<sup>th</sup> and ending July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Our program has been in existence since 1996 and we have received information from Juvenile Detention and the Police Department that during the months of June and July they do see a decrease in their juvenile cases. This is our goal, to keep our children off the streets, keep them active and mentor them to be better citizens and to not be involved in drug use and gang activities.

It has been proven that our program does work and we can't function without sponsorships and donations from business 'such as yours. On behalf of the children of Aransas Pass and the surrounding areas in which we serve, please take into consideration our request for funding.

Sincerely,

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