

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Champ Camp counselor! This year the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation is excited to provide the 26<sup>th</sup> year of fun for burn-injured children who have been treated in California.

Volunteers serve as role models and make camp a safe and fun experience through their energy and guidance. Prior experience working with burn-injured children is not required. This rewarding experience is an opportunity to make an impact on the lives of burn survivors in many different ways. This commitment of being a counselor is one of the most satisfying volunteer experiences available.

### Time Commitment

One of the most important aspects of volunteering to be a counselor at Champ Camp is the time commitment required. Below are the dates of interviews, training and camp.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
Information/Interview	April 16 or 17, 2011	Regional Locations
New Counselor Training	May 7 & 8, 2011	Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA
Training	June 9-11, 2011	Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA
Camp	June 11-18, 2011	Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA

### Information/Interview Session

**April 16 or 17, 2011**

*Regional Locations: San Francisco, Fresno, Burbank*

- Based on need, interviews are typically conducted in each region. When your application is received you will be sent an invitation with all of the details for the session.
- All new applicants are **REQUIRED TO ATTEND ONE** "Informational/Interview Session". This session will allow us to provide you with additional information regarding the camp experience and answer any questions you may have. Plus, this will help us get to know you better.

### New Counselor Training

**May 7-8, 2011**

### Camp Training

**June 9-11, 2011**

### Champ Camp

**June 11-18, 2011**

*All of these events take place at Wonder Valley Ranch in Sanger, CA. ([www.wondervalley.com](http://www.wondervalley.com))*

- Please account for personal travel time required to and from when scheduling time off
- You are **REQUIRED TO ATTEND** the entire time (see training and camp dates above). No exceptions. This is important because of the impact on the child and overall camp program. Consistency is priceless, as well as building a solid bond with the kids and fellow counselors.

### Application Information and Selection Process

- **The application deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011**
- The number of new counselors selected is based on the number of returning counselors from past Champ Camps and the anticipated number of campers attending this year.
- Once you are accepted as a counselor a LiveScan background check will be required. This is a simple process. More information will be provided at the appropriate time.
- If accepted as a counselor you will be asked to sign the "Champ Camp Counselor Contract." To view the contract please visit [www.aarbf.org/services/champcamp.htm](http://www.aarbf.org/services/champcamp.htm)

### To begin the application process, PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Submit an application and two professional reference letters to: Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation, Attn: Apollo, 911 H Street, Fresno, CA 93721
2. Make the necessary arrangements for the required dates listed above
3. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call or email  
Apollo at 559-621-4012 or e-mail [camp@aarbf.org](mailto:camp@aarbf.org).



Please mail all information to the Central Region Office:

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**C H A M P C A M P N E W V O L U N T E E R A P P L I C A T I O N**

Check here if you DO NOT want your address/ phone information distributed to other camp volunteers (Ex: Carpool list)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (required): \_\_\_\_\_ Please contact me via (*circle one*): E-mail Home Cell Work

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

- I have participated in past AARBF events and have completed a Live Scan Background check for AARBF
- I am a new volunteer and will be getting a Live Scan Background check. Please send me information.

**S E C T I O N A - B A S I C I N F O R M A T I O N**

Have you ever had a warrant for your arrest? \_\_\_\_\_ Been accused or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you on probation? \_\_\_\_\_ Parole? \_\_\_\_\_ Out on bail? \_\_\_\_\_ Please, explain if you answered yes to any of the questions:

Are you fluent in any other language besides English? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please indicate: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently certified in: First Aid? \_\_\_\_\_ CPR? \_\_\_\_\_ Lifeguard? \_\_\_\_\_ WSI Instructor? \_\_\_\_\_

Class B Drivers License w/ passenger endorsement? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you know how to swim? \_\_\_\_\_ Other? \_\_\_\_\_

What age group do you feel you would be most comfortable working with? Please indicate by placing numbers 1,2,3,4,5 in order of importance:

Ages 5-7/Buckaroos \_\_\_\_\_ Ages 8-10/Rancheros \_\_\_\_\_ Ages 11-13/Wranglers \_\_\_\_\_ Ages 14-16/Seniors \_\_\_\_\_ Special Needs Cabin \_\_\_\_\_

Your T-Shirt Size (circle one): S M L XL XXL XXXL IF there is a choice , would you prefer a T-Shirt or Tank Top? \_\_\_\_\_

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY**

Whom should we notify?	NAME	PHONE NUMBER	RELATION
		( )	
		( )	

Name of Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be taking any medications at the time of camp? If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any health concerns that we should know about while you are at camp? (Asthma, allergies, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_



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Describe your experience working with children: \_\_\_\_\_

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Can you play a musical instrument, such as a guitar, or do you have a talent for singing, dancing, magic or any other type of entertainment children would enjoy? \_\_\_\_ If so, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever worked with the burn-injured population? \_\_\_\_ Are you a burn survivor? \_\_\_\_

Please share your experience: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How did you become interested in Champ Camp?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What are your expectations or desires in becoming a counselor for burn-injured children?

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Have you been involved in Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation activities/functions before? If yes, briefly explain:

\_\_\_\_\_

Are there other non-profit organizations or affiliations you have been involved with?

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Is there any additional information about yourself that you would like us to know?

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Every volunteer uses a nickname while at camp. (Examples: Chipper, Bubbles, Cowboy, Peanut, Speedy, Trip, Smiley, Baker)

**If selected as a volunteer, you would like your nickname to be:** 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Choosing two names is important in case one is already being used by another volunteer)*

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## S E C T I O N C - S I G N A T U R E S

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Enclosed are two letters of recommendation. I understand that if accepted to be a Champ Camp Volunteer Counselor that I will need to attend New Counselor Training May 9-11, 2011 and be at camp for its entirety from June 11-18, 2011. Following the training, I am willing to sign the counselor contract and comply with the terms stated in the Champ Camp Handbook.

I certify that the information provided to me in this Champ Camp Volunteer Application is true, correct and as complete as possible.

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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