

Camp Potlatch: Subsidy FAQ

What is BGC subsidy program, how is it funded?

Camp Potlatch would like to ensure that all children who wish to attend are offered that opportunity, and not left out due to financial constraints. For this reason, we work hard all year long to raise funds from community partners and individual donors to be able to provide financial assistance to families who simply cannot afford the camper fees. It is important to note that the need for support is increasing every year, so we ask that families contribute just as much as they can. Boys and Girls Clubs puts in hard work to raise money to support our subsidy program, and we ask families to match our efforts.

How much does Camp cost?

1 Week Main Camp = \$515 (subsidized 48% of actual cost)

The actual cost for a week of Main Camp at Camp Potlatch is over \$1,000 per camper. Due to the generosity of our donors and funders, our Camp fees are posted at a partially subsidized rate to ensure we are accessible to as many families as possible. If you require *additional* subsidy, please call our office at 604-324-2267 to complete registration.

Who is eligible to apply for subsidy/financial assistance?

Financial assistance is provided to all families who are unable to pay the full camp fee.

To be eligible to receive a subsidy, campers must be a permanent resident of South Coast BC. *This includes: Abbotsford, Burnaby, Chilliwack, Coquitlam, Delta, Langley, Maple Ridge, New Westminster, North Vancouver, Pitt Meadows, Port Moody, Richmond, Surrey, Squamish, Vancouver, West Vancouver, and Whistler.*

Please Note: Only one subsidized session is available per camper, per summer.

How does Camp Potlatch determine how much I pay?

If you are requiring financial assistance, please contact the Camp Office. We would love to get to know your family, and work to find a payment plan that will best suit your financial means. It only takes a few minutes, can be completed over the phone, and is strictly confidential.

If I have received subsidy from BGC in the past, can I request assistance again?

Unlike many other Camps who only grant subsidy once, Camp Potlatch loves when campers return year after year! However, it is our goal that, if possible, families continue to contribute more towards the camp fee each year so we can continue to offer our support to as many families as possible. The amount families are asked to contribute may vary from year to year.

What is the application process?

No formal application is required. Please feel free to visit our Camp office, or contact us by phone to apply for subsidy and complete registration. Here at Boys and Girls Clubs we like to have an open discussion to get to know your family and individual situation. No lengthy forms, just a friendly conversation to help us serve you best.

Income Assistance/ Disability

If you are on Income Assistance or Disability you are eligible to apply for a \$200 Child Summer Camp Subsidy through the Ministry. Please contact your Assistance office location for more information. If funding is awarded, this will be your contribution towards Camp (plus deposit).