



Campership Application Steps, FAQ and Checklist

Step 1: Read this document before beginning your application.

Step 2: [Register](#) for camp.

Step 3: Apply for a [One Happy Camper](#) grant, if eligible.

First-time campers attending GFC for a full 23-day session (Niviim-Avodah) may be eligible for a one-time need-blind grant of \$1,000 from One Happy Camper.

Campers who attend a Jewish Day School and Bonim (10-day session) campers are ineligible for One Happy Camper grants.

If you live in the San Antonio metro area and wish to apply for a One Happy Camper, contact the [Jewish Federation of San Antonio](#).

Step 4: Apply for a campership from GFC.

Our campership application will open on **September 15, 2025**. Please complete your application as soon as possible and submit it online, with all necessary information, by **December 31, 2025**. Campership applications submitted after this deadline are not guaranteed to receive funding.

NEW this year, we will offer an abbreviated application for families who applied for and received campership for Summer 2025. All applicants will use the same application link, which can be found here.

Step 5: Apply to at least two [funding partners](#)

Please be sure to apply to at least two funding partners, which may include your congregation and/or metro-area Jewish Federation.



Campership Application FAQs

When will my application be reviewed?

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until 12/31. Applications received after this date will be awarded on a funds-available basis.

What do I need to submit with my application?

You will be asked to submit a narrative. Narratives should be written and uploaded in the .docx or .doc format. Please use this opportunity to share information about your family's need for support and the impact this financial assistance would have on your camper. [Click here to view a sample narrative.](#)

You will be asked to submit self-reported information about your finances. You must submit this information for your application to be reviewed.

Are Camperships confidential?

Camperships are confidential. All applications are scrubbed of identifying data for your family's privacy before review.

How much Campership should I apply for?

GFC offers campership grants of up to \$1,800 per camper. We know this does not cover the entire cost of camp. We require Campership applicants apply to at least two funding partners, which may include your congregation and local Federation. We strive to make camp affordable for every family.

That said, please contribute as much as is realistically possible for your family.

For a list of GFC's Funding Partners, [click here.](#)



Campership Checklist

- ☐ Yes, I've registered my child(ren) to attend GFC this summer!
- ☐ Yes, I've applied for a \$1,000 incentive grant from One Happy Camper (if eligible)
- ☐ Yes, I've [applied](#) for a campership from GFC.
- ☐ Yes, I've applied to at least two funding partners

We hope this helps! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Business Manager Jakeem Ochilly at jochilly@urj.org. We are here to support you.

Thank you!