

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries (LOM) is the organization of camps and retreat centers affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). LOM provides quality resources and services for our mission of encouraging, educating, equipping and empowering the leaders of Lutheran outdoor ministry organizations.

# Why Your Support of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries is Important

## **LOM Equips Camps to Inspire Lives of Faith**

- Provide excellent leadership training events for outdoor ministry professionals
- Encourage and support the development of innovative programs
- Annually create a theologically sound and culturally relevant curriculum

## LOM is an Essential Network of Support

- Provide opportunities for collaboration among camps
- Host the annual conference of outdoor ministry leaders for deeper learning and networking
- Encourage peer support and empowerment for colleagues
- Offer training for the Boards of Directors of outdoor ministry organizations
- Convene consultation teams the lead camp staffs and Boards to excellence

#### **LOM Empowers Sustainability**

- Provide financial support and guidance for camps in crisis situations
- Build competency in best practices for camp and retreat operations
- Conduct research that documents the impact of outdoor ministry
- Empower an executive staff to advocate for all LOM camps and develop collaborative partnerships with other organizations
- Provide resources for camps and retreat centers to be places of welcome and inclusion for all people, especially the marginalized
- Train experienced camp directors to be available to organizations that are in executive director transition



