IMPACT
The cumulating result will be rewarding outcomes that allow the YMCA in Utah to continually provide value, to be relevant, and grow to serve communities in the ways they need most.

VISION
To be the leader in understanding and meeting our communities’ needs by developing and adapting high quality programs and experiences that provides value to children, adults and families.

VALUES
We are dedicated to the values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility in which ALL are welcome with an engaging, stimulating, and secure environment and results in meaningful and rewarding work experience for our staff.

MISSION
To provide our communities with experiences that enhance healthy mind, body, and spirit in which we strive to build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities.

CAMP ROGER
62 YEARS OF TRADITION
Originally a CCC camp in the 1930s, Camp Roger began on July 5th, 1948 beginning a long history of what generations have come to love as – YMCA Camp Roger – named in honor of Roger Freund, who was a pioneer in finding a place for youth to grow and experience Utah’s great outdoors. The first summer saw a month of hosting boys 9 – 15 years old who slept in Army tents at night and during the day hiked, fished, swam, made crafts and performed skits. The 1950’s introduced the Camp Roger icon, the totem pole. Girls began attending YMCA Camp in 1954 and the first co-ed session was held in 1971. It didn’t take long for camp to become the place for Utah’s youth to experience nature and in is now becoming Utah’s premier youth camping experience staying true to its rich 60 year history. 2006 Camp Roger begins a new transformation with a generous $1,000,000 investment from the late James L. Sorenson Sr. 2011, Campers get to explore fishing, horseback riding, arts and crafts, ropes course, swimming, archery, mountain biking, hiking, Sports and Games, specialty camps and so much more. Camp Roger is full of action including nightly themed dinners, campfires, games, a disco party and a carnival.

YMCA CAMP ROGER
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Caring | Honesty | Respect | Responsibility | Friendship

Over the past sixty years, YMCA Camp Roger has introduced many children (ages 7-17) to Utah’s amazing mountain landscape while, engaging them in wilderness exploration and adventures, environmental stewardship and leadership development.
INSPIRING CAMPERS
Youth who participate in the YMCA Camp Roger programs improve significantly in self confidence, helping campers get to know others who are different from them, make new friends, feel good about themselves, and try things they may have been afraid to try at first.

CORE – VALUES
YMCA Camp Roger is based upon the mission of the YMCA, Y-USA Camping Program goals, research and best practices in the field. Our Camp program includes four Core Components: Arts, Fitness, Environmental Stewardship, and Leadership Development - that provide a broad variety for daily activities, projects, and games.

Caring, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility are the values that Camp Roger instills in their campers and staff.

SUCCESSES
“Gordon and Kailey want to come back every year. They can’t wait to come back and want to come for longer”-Camp Parent

“I was really impressed. The staff took great care of Jacob, and campers got to experience some very neat things. Bunk1 notes were a great service too. He really enjoyed the week and had nothing negative to say about it. Great job!” –Camp Parent

94% of campers said YES they want to come back to Camp Roger

VOLUNTEERS
Groups and individuals completed a total of 1,941 volunteer hours, special thanks to the groups from University of Utah Ward and the United Way Day of Caring whose volunteers completed 995 hours of volunteering at camp!

ACHIEVING GREAT HEIGHTS
We believe all youth deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve. Camp Roger, nestled amongst the beautiful and majestic Uinta Mountains in northern Utah, allows campers to discover the world of wilderness, adventure and the magic of overnight camping.

CAMP PROGRAMS
Traditional Camp (Ages 8-14)
Mini Camp (Ages 7-8)
Teen Camp (Ages 15-16)
Horse Camps (Ages 8-15)
- Junior Wrangler Camp
- Wrangler Camp
- Junior Ranch Camp
- Ranch Camp
- Ranch Management
- Rodeo Camp
- Horse Explorer

Specialty Camps (Ages 9-14)
- Adventure Camp
- Extreme Camp
- Paddling Camp
- Creative Arts Camp

Leadership Camps (Ages 15-17)
- Leaders-in-Training (L.I.T)
- Wranglers-in-Training (W.I.T)
- Counselor-in-Training (C.I.T)

Youth experience archery, arts & crafts, mountain biking, outdoor education, orienteering, horseback riding, leadership training, and community living. Activities are developed with consideration for the age and developmental needs of youth.

SAFETY
Staff participate in an extensive week-long training where they are trained on First Aid, CPR, child abuse prevention, diversity, conflict resolution, and programming areas.

SUPPORT
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THE Y FOR ALL
In 2010, 250 campers received financial assistance and subsidies to participate in Camp Roger. Last year, donations received from the community enabled the Y to offer $54,000 in direct financial assistance.

To donate to the Camp Roger scholarship program or the Nissalke Camp Endowment 801.466.6299 | ymcautah.org

YOUTH SERVED
The Y welcomed 606 campers to Camp Roger in 2010! Camp Roger takes pride in the diversity of their Staff and Campers this year. Campers traveled from 10 states outside of Utah, as far as Florida and Virginia, we also had campers and staff representing 6 different countries.

STAFF LEADERSHIP
The relationship between campers and counselors is the heart of YMCA camping. All Camp Roger staff are carefully selected for their maturity, patience, commitment to working with youth and their desire to be a positive role model. Counselors and program specialists are college aged or older; many enrolled in education, recreation or social work programs.