

Dunsmuir Recreation and Parks District

PO Box 636 - Dunsmuir, CA 96025-0636

Spring, 2018

Dear Friend of Dunsmuir's Children,

When we last spoke with you, we told you about Melissa and her brothers. These are real Dunsmuir kids – but we changed Melissa's name for this letter. Although they've all gotten older, Melissa still shoulders responsibility for caring for her younger brothers while her single mom works two, sometimes three, jobs. In the summer, with daytime temperatures hovering around 95° and higher, nothing feels better than a dip in our Community Dunsmuir Pool. The only problem for these and other kids? Families often don't have enough money to pay for safe, supervised fun at the Pool.

If it weren't for your generosity—and the generosity of caring folks like you—Melissa, her brothers, and many other Dunsmuir children would have to give up safe and refreshing days of play in the pool. But caring people like you have stepped up to give them affordable access to the Pool thanks to the Dunsmuir Pool Bucks Program.

This blessing has been repeated well over 24,000 times over the past seven years! Think of that. Dunsmuir Pool Bucks have *subsidized our children over 24,000 times*. And easily double that over the entire life of the program.

We've appealed to you in the past to help the children of Dunsmuir swim for only \$1...instead of having to pay the full \$2 admission to the Pool. Thank you so much for your support. We're appealing to you once again this year for your help. The need is as urgent as it's ever been. The "economic recovery" is slow in Siskiyou County. Unemployment in the county still runs nearly twice the national average. And 95% of our children still get free and reduced lunches at school.

Our families still have less money to spend on healthy, wholesome recreation like swimming in the Dunsmuir Pool. With your help, they won't have to give up supervised fun in the sun. They'll be able to play safely with friends and family under the watchful eyes of trained, fully certified staff. And, as in the past, some Pool Bucks donations will subsidize swim lessons for children who otherwise couldn't afford them. We don't need to tell you how crucial knowing how to swim is for our children who live so close to the Upper Sacramento River with its magical appeal and hidden dangers.

Every dollar you donate means one child swims safely for just one dollar. Please fill out the attached Donation Form today. Check your donation level and send it with a check made out to "Pool Bucks" to the address at bottom of the page.

Thank you for your continued support. You *are* making a huge difference in the lives of our children.

Gratefully yours,



Stephen Cutting
Board Chairman



Mike Rodriguez
District Administrator

PS: Please stop by the pool during the summer to see how much impact your donation has on the lives of our children. And, if it's easier for you to drop your Pool Bucks donation by the office, please feel free to do so.

YES! I WANT DUNSMUIR CHILDREN TO SWIM FOR A BUCK THIS SUMMER!

Enclosed is my contribution for Pool Bucks. A donation in any amount is greatly appreciated.

- \$10 – 10 Kids Swim! \$25 – 25 Kids Swim! \$50 – 50 Kids Swim!
- \$100 – 100 Kids Swim! \$30 – Swim Lessons for 1 Child

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