

FISHING FOR LIFE

Empowering Youth Through Fishing and Outdoor Programs

Reel Hope



THE REEL HOPE PROGRAM

This multi-phase program empowers youth by fostering trusted relationships, building confidence, and connecting them with the joy and peace of the great outdoors through fishing. The program consists of up to three interactive events which build upon one another to educate, equip, explore, and enhance skills for fishing, while also developing healthy strategies for navigating everyday life. Each thoughtfully planned event fits within a half-day to full-day format creating a supportive and enriching experience.

Sign Your Youth Groups Up Today!

*Fishing Licenses for those 16 and older will be paid for by Fishing For Life. **Participants MUST attend the first two events to be eligible for the third event.



WHO

- Youth Ages 11-17
- Male & Female

WHAT

- FREE one-day youth events with community engagement and adult mentorship.

WHEN

- Year-round*

WHERE

A location near you! Event locations are mobile and are chosen in partnership with group leaders to introduce your youth to the sport of fishing and related activities near them.

*Some parts of the program may be done year-round. The fishing components will be during the legal Minnesota fishing seasons.

FIRST EVENT - EDUCATE & EQUIP

Participants learn about fishing and how to restore rods, reels, and tackleboxes. All participants keep the equipment they restore. The rod, reel, and tacklebox restoration event can be done indoors or outdoors.

SECOND EVENT - EXPLORE

A guided fishing event from a pier or shore on a nearby lake with fishing instruction for the youth. This can also include ice fishing. *

THIRD EVENT - ENHANCE

All-expenses-paid fishing trip from a boat on one of Minnesota's larger fishing lakes. **



HOW TO PARTICIPATE

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