

Creating generations of leaders through the wonders of Squam Lake

Vision: Camp Hale transforms youth into resilient leaders as they discover the wonders of nature, build a diverse community, and embrace challenging experiences.

Friends of Camp Hale

Resources. Relationships. Resilience.

For over a century Camp Hale and parent organization United South End Settlements (USES) have challenged youth by taking them out of their comfort zones and teaching them the skills and giving them the support needed to navigate camp and, ultimately, the world beyond. Time spent on Squam is designed to foster both a passion for nature and to develop leadership skills and resilience in these campers.

USES is reinstating the Friends of Camp Hale committee. Friends of Camp Hale is a group of year-round and summer residents from the Squam area, as well as from Greater Boston, who want to continue Camp Hale's goal in providing youth with a healthy, unique and never-to-be-forgotten experience on Squam Lake.

The committee will meet 4-6 times a year. Friends of Camp Hale can help in a variety of ways. They may act as liaisons with individuals and organizations around the lake; share their time and skills as volunteers at camp; support the camp with donations; and help identify a variety of funding sources. More specifically:

- Introduce people from surrounding communities to Camp Hale and USES
- Serve as ambassadors in spreading the word regarding Camp Hale's mission and goals in a consistent/unified voice
- Help the USES staff and Board of Directors understand the Squam community's culture and perspectives
- Come to camp as a volunteer – to support ongoing camp programs or to share a passion such as bird watching, fly fishing, creative endeavors, etc.
- Identify individuals and foundations who might support Camp Hale
- Help with fundraising, including personal notes on the annual appeal letter, hosting events, and/or supporting the USES staff
- Lend your name to campaign via a committee listing
- Participate in solicitations when appropriate

Friends of Camp Hale will be co-chaired by Mallory Hathaway and Victoria West. The committee currently includes Jillian and Ole Anderson, Patricia Carega, Jerrell Cox (Director of Camp Hale), Bill & Nancy Dailey, Tim and Audrey Fisher. Hon. Arthur (USES Board Member) & Melanie Gajarsa, Lisa Gruenberg & Martin Carmichael, Anne Lovett, Shepley Metcalf, Camille Preston (USES Board Member) & Mark Newhall, Becky & David Sinkler, and Maicharia Z. Weir Lytle (President & CEO of United South End Settlements).

For more information or to get involved, email Tory Stephens, Director of Individual Giving, at TStephens@uses.org.