

2024 Camp Arrah Wanna, Inc. Maintenance Shop Fire

In the early hours of Sunday morning, July 14th, a fire broke out in Camp Arrah Wanna's Maintenance Shop, which is centrally located on our facility. Our Summer Interns discovered the fire at approximately 1:15 am, and emergency services were promptly called. Despite their swift response, the fire had already consumed the building, resulting in a complete loss. Large and small equipment, tools, and nearly off of Camp's operational and maintenance supplies were also destroyed. The cause of the fire remains unknown even after an extensive 3rd party investigation.

The initial estimate of damages and replacement cost is around \$800,000, and we have reason to believe our insurance policy will barely cover HALF of this. The precarious nature of Oregon's overall property insurance atmosphere will most likely lead to an exponential increase of premium costs for Camp moving forward, if affordable coverage is available to us at all.

We are heartened by the outpouring of well-wishes and offers of assistance from our supporters, community members, and even strangers. While this tragedy feels like another setback in our 2024 journey of service, and our broader recovery from pandemic-related shutdowns, we are beyond grateful that no one was injured. The Hoodland Fire Department's efficient containment efforts also prevented what could have been a catastrophic event.

Despite the challenges posed by the loss of this integral facility, Camp Arrah Wanna has continued to welcome guests and remains committed to providing services and programs while we recover and rebuild. We love our community and eagerly anticipate many more years of service together!

A comprehensive "wish-list" of needed maintenance items is now posted on our website and social media. Please take a look to see what you might be able to contribute as we rebuild. All in-kind donations will be tax-deductible.

Financial donations to support our recovery efforts are welcome at any time and are also tax-deductible. Please visit our donation page to GIVE NOW!



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