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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I have been apart of Montlure Camp in a variety of ways since I was a child. I spent nine summers attending this camp. None of which were able to be held at the permanent camp in Greer due to the Wallow Fire, but that did not alter the mission of Montlure as they traveled from campsite to campsite. Even in the time of uncertainty in 2020 with the COVID-19 pandemic, Montlure Camp provided a safe space for connection online through virtual camp. I volunteered as a counselor at both day camps and overnight camps for five years. And for the last three years, I have had the fortunate opportunity to be apart of their summer staff and help put on camp for hundreds of campers. I have seen and experienced firsthand the lasting impact that Montlure Camp has on its campers and their families, its volunteers and staff, and the Presbyterian churches of Arizona. Being apart of Montlure Camp has left me with invaluable memories, friendships, and leadership skills. While Montlure was able to adapt and find temporary shelter, the renting of other sites has put a tremendous strain on the financial status of Montlure, a non-profit organization. I am asking you to support the mission of Montlure Camp as we work to rebuild after the devastating Wallow Fire 14 years ago. By allowing Montlure Camp to rebuild, you are allowing Montlure Camp to continue to serve Arizona's children and future generations by allowing them a safe and supportive environment. Thank you for your time and consideration.