



## Audubon Sharon Summer Camp Program Scholarship Information

### Where does Audubon Sharon receive funding for scholarships?

Audubon Sharon is very fortunate to offer limited scholarships for children who wish to attend our summer camp programs, but wouldn't normally be able to participate due to financial reasons.

We receive a small amount of funding through a scholarship program created by the partnership of Wild Birds Unlimited and National Audubon Society. Additional funds are generated from donations given by other Audubon Sharon camp registrants. The total amount of scholarship money available depends on the number and dollar amount of sponsorship donations received.

### How do I apply for a camp scholarship for my child?

Scholarship applications can be downloaded off the Summer Camp page of the Audubon Sharon website [www.sharon.audubon.org](http://www.sharon.audubon.org). You can also call the Center to have one mailed to your address or you can stop by the Center during regular business hours to pick up an application.

### Who qualifies for a Scholarship?

Audubon Sharon Staff decides who receives scholarship funding based on the information on the scholarship application and any current out-of-the-ordinary circumstances (loss of job, etc.) Because funding is very limited, scholarships will only be granted for one session per student. We prefer to award partial scholarships, so *please be honest* in requesting how much assistance you really need. (In other words, please don't ask for a full scholarship if you can afford to pay for part of the session. This way, we can supply financial assistance to *more* students in need!) We will *not* grant scholarships at the non-member price, so if you are asking for financial assistance, please be prepared to pay the one-time \$35 family membership fee if you are not already a member.

Those (children) receiving financial assistance will be asked to write a short essay telling us why they would like to attend Audubon Sharon's Summer Nature Camp and also complete a short pre and post-camp survey, given at the beginning and end of the camp session. We must receive all completed paperwork in order to receive funding from Wild Birds Unlimited.

### How do I know if I have been granted a scholarship?

A confirmation letter will be sent by mail stating the amount of the scholarship granted once it has been approved by Audubon Staff.