



TEAM: Together We Can (TWC)

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**COMMUNITY PARTNER: CAMP KOREY**

**PROJECT: On Stage with CAMP KOREY**

Our team had the desire to work with Camp Korey after visiting with them on their 200-acre property in Mt. Vernon, which was recently purchased in 2016. Camp Korey is one of only nine recognized Paul Newman's 'Serious Fun Camps' in the United States. The camp relies heavily on the community for support in order to provide **free** camp sessions as well as programs to children who are diagnosed with over 30 major medical conditions. After touring the camp, we found that their Amphitheater was in serious disrepair and needed some 'TWC' (not a misspelling). Our main goals were to: renovate seating area to make it ADA Compliant and safe; upgrade the stage by making it larger with a roof for all weather, add safety railing and ensure it is ADA compliant; rebuild the entire bridge due to having rotten wood; provide a new equipment shed for storage; and to create awareness in our community for Camp Korey. Due to our amazing Skagit County community and our team's dedication, the renovation was triumphant! In order to continue to promote Camp Korey and to thank our sponsors for their support, we helped in throwing a 'Raise the Curtain' unveiling of our project. Our phenomenal event had the camp's founder as well as a Camp Korey family share their stories. Many of our prominent sponsors attended and enjoyed the location, meeting each other and having a delicious dinner provided by the camp. Our Mission had two goals that were driving factors in our projects success; provide service to others and develop our collaboration skills. Together we created a sustainable area that is one of the best experiences a child at camp can have, to let a kid be a kid.