

Special Needs Summer Camps/Activities 2023

If the links below show old information keep checking back.

Here is some great information on disability specific summer programs available locally.

Try googling your city's parks & rec department and local libraries to see if they are offering any special needs programs. **Remember, many local programs for typical children will accommodate special needs** when they can; do not assume your child can't take part. If it sounds like something your child will enjoy, always **ASK!** Many places want to offer inclusive environments but may not think to advertise it.

Utah Parent Center Summer Guide

<https://utahparentcenter.org/> in the search bar put "summer resources". Then click Summer Resources and Activities to download Guide.

Medical Home Portal Summer List

<https://ut.medicalhomeportal.org/services/category/413>

Camp Kostopulos- for people with all types of needs, under programs click on summer camps

<http://www.campk.org/>

National Ability Center- for people with all types of needs

<https://www.discovernac.org/programs/camps>

Goat Hollow Ranch- emotional support animal ranch, connect through messenger to schedule a visit

<https://www.facebook.com/Goat-Hollow-Ranch-104340185474330/>

The Utah Mountain Bike Elevate Program- <https://www.utahmtb.org/elevate-program>

Ogden Valley Adaptive Sports- <https://ogdenvalleyadaptivesports.org/>

Wasatch Adaptive Sports- <http://wasatchadaptivesports.org/>

Un-Limb-ited Amputee Camp- <https://www.unlimbitedcamp.org/>

South Davis Recreation Center- Adaptive Aquatics- special needs swimming

<https://southdavisrecreation.com/swimming-lessons/> Keep scrolling to locate

Douglas Science Center – An organization offering many sciences related activities for those of all abilities.

<https://www.facebook.com/douglasspaceandscience/>

The C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation- for people with all types of needs

<https://castforkids.org/>

Click on Calendar, then put Utah in the search box. They do fishing activities for special needs.

Team UNIF Summer Camp- for children with Autism & their peers

<https://healthcare.utah.edu/hmhi/programs/autism-adventure-camp/>

Camp Hobe- a special summer camp designed for children with cancer and their siblings

<https://www.camphobekids.org/>

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Common Ground Outdoor Adventures- an outdoor recreation program for those with special needs.
<http://www.cgadventures.org/>

Sky's Old School Martial Arts- <https://www.facebook.com/skysoldschoolmartialarts> or call 801-686-1607

Camp Kesem- free summer camps for children who have been touched by a parent's cancer
<https://www.campkesem.org>

Camp Nah Nah Mah- this five-day, four-night camp introduces children to the burn survivor world
<https://healthcare.utah.edu/burncenter/burn-camp/nah-nah-mah.php>

MDA Summer Camp- for children with Muscular Dystrophy
<https://www.mda.org/services/mda-summer-camp>

TURN Community Services- offers various activities through their summer day camps. Scroll under "Services" <http://turncommunityservices.org/> Call for details on camps 801-359-8876

RISE- <https://riseservicesincut.org/after-school-summer-programs/> 801-373-1197

Camp Valor- children with a confirmed bleeding disorder, as well as carriers as well as siblings and youth of affected parents. <https://hemophiliautah.org/new-events>

Courage Reins- <https://couragereins.org/> horseback riding, equestrian/hippotherapy

Roads to Independence- offers different programs through the year- call 801-612-3215
<https://rticil.org/recreation-and-community-integration/>

Best Special Needs Camps.com Directory- click search, scroll down and choose your state
<https://bestspecialneedscamps.com/best-utah-special-needs-camps.html>

National Park Service- <https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/passes.htm> **(Not just Utah!)**
Scroll down to "America the Beautiful – National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass – **Military Pass** (Free)" it's in purple. This pass is **available to U.S. military members and dependents**. The pass must be obtained in person at a Federal recreation site by showing Military ID. There is also a lifetime pass for U.S. citizens or permanent residents with permanent **disabilities**. This is called the "**Access Pass**" and is in blue on the same page.

Blue Star Museums- <https://www.arts.gov/initiatives/blue-star-museums>
(Not just Utah! Use this info for your vacation!)

Blue Star Museums is a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and more than 2,000 museums across America to offer free admission to the nation's active-duty military personnel and their families, including National Guard and Reserve, from Memorial Day through Labor Day.