LEIGHTON HINSHAW



Dear Friends and Family,

Many of you know that I have been involved with Young Life for the past couple years, and through my involvement I have had the opportunity to serve alongside some pretty incredible people. I have been impacted a great deal by the love and support everyone through Young Life has shown. My leaders have helped me grow in my faith and have impacted so many others. This is why I am pleased to announce that I have been given the opportunity to serve as a student staff with Arvada Young Life. My primary role will be to help take over a Wyldlife (middle school young life) club at Oberon Middle School. As I accept this new role my responsibilities will include spiritual development, leadership development, direct ministry, resource development, and ministry support. I will be involved in a Bible study/discipleship group, and attend regional trainings and retreats. Most importantly, my role at Oberon will be to lead a team of leaders by empowering them to take ownership and responsibility for their roles, to plan and organize our weekly club, doing contact work with leaders and students at least twice a week, taking kids to camp and attending all area events. I am extremely excited for this opportunity but none of it will be possible without your help. Many of you may know that Young Life is a nonprofit organization, so it is up to generous donors like yourself to help us grow our ministries. I would love your prayers and financial support as I move forward in this process. I need you to be a partner with me in order to make these goals happen. Thank you guys so much for the role you have played in my life and the willingness to walk alongside me in this new adventure.

How can you help?

In accepting this role, I am required to raise \$12,000 per year. This is where you come in. None of this would be possible without you. The biggest way you can help is by becoming a monthly financial donor to help me meet my goal. You can also give a one-time gift. These gifts are tax-deductible. Any donation moves me closer to my goal and your prayers are essential for this next step of my life. By your giving, it will help me grow as a leader and allow more lost kids to come to Jesus. With giving, I will send out monthly check-ins on the progress and what's going on in our program!

Why YL Staff?

When I was a highschool student and attended Young Life, I loved to see how many kids would come to the club and got to experience the light of Jesus shine on their face by relationships with leaders who showed them the love of Jesus. Then I got an opportunity to go to a missionary program called YWAM, where I got to learn how to spread and share the love of Jesus. Through this experience, my faith grew, and with that faith and passion I got to spread the gospel with people all over, from Pittsburgh, to Philadelphia to all the way to Brazil. That time gave me a heart and a passion for the lost ones that have never heard Jesus or those who want to grow in their faith. After this experience, I wasn't quite sure what I wanted to do for my occupation, but I felt like God made it clear that I have a heart for my community back in Colorado and that what was next for me would be there. Once I got home I had no idea where to start or how to start the calling God had on my life and that's when Young Life came back into my life and I started to volunteer as a leader for Arvada Wyldlife club. It was the best time of my life. Being able to hangout with kids at clubs and act like a kid again and show them the heart of Jesus and getting to show them that having a relationship with Jesus rocks! Now after a few months I got a chance to further my calling and step into a role where I can make a big impact and so can you! This is a time where I get to expand my faith but also expand the kingdom of God and there is nothing better than that! Thank you for being in my life and for the impact you have had on my life, I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for you. Thank you!

Love, Leighton Hinshaw

