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Mad Tree Foundation Volunteers Help Build Disc Golf Course for UGM Youth Camp

Volunteer effort brings disc golf to children attending Union Gospel Mission's camp near Ford, Washington

Ford, Wash. — August 18, 2026 — Volunteers from the **Mad Tree Foundation** recently traded a Saturday morning on the course for a day building one.

On Saturday, August 8, a team of Mad Tree Foundation volunteers helped install a new 18-hole pitch-and-putt disc golf course at the **Union Gospel Mission of the Inland Northwest (UGM) Youth Camp**, located outside Reardan, Washington. The new course will introduce disc golf to children attending the camp, many of whom come from underprivileged and low-income families throughout the Inland Northwest.

The project began with **David Willman of Let'em Fly Disc Golf**, who designed the course and donated his professional course design and installation services to UGM. Willman, who has worked at the camp as a counselor, saw an opportunity to bring another outdoor activity to a place where children can experience recreation, nature and community at no cost to their families.

When it came time to turn the course design into reality, Willman put out a last-minute call for volunteers.

Mad Tree Foundation answered.

Despite smoke-filled skies and challenging outdoor conditions, Mad Tree volunteers showed up and went to work. Volunteers cleared fairways, operated weed eaters, installed tee pads and signposts, assembled portable disc golf baskets, prepared and leveled basket locations, and completed the physical work necessary to transform the course plan into 18 playable holes.

The effort represented a true volunteer project from beginning to end. Let'em Fly Disc Golf donated the course design and installation expertise it would normally provide commercially, while Mad Tree Foundation donated a portion of the cost of the course baskets and most importantly the people and labor needed to get the course in the ground.

The course itself was only part of the gift.



Through the generous support of **Dip's Discs**, the youth disc golf program was also seeded with **25 putters**, giving campers the equipment they need to immediately begin learning and playing the sport.

With baskets in the ground and discs ready to fly, young people attending UGM's camp now have another opportunity to get outside, try something new and experience a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime.

The setting could hardly be more fitting. The new course winds through the natural landscape near the river corridor, where bald eagles regularly cruise overhead. Now, thanks to the organizations and volunteers behind the project, discs will be flying there too.

"This project is exactly what Mad Tree Foundation is about: using disc golf as a way to support our community," said Mad Tree Foundation board member, Jacob Andersen. "David and Let'em Fly created an incredible opportunity for these kids, and when the call went out for help, our volunteers were ready to get their hands dirty and make it happen. Knowing that kids will be throwing their first discs on a course we helped build makes every hour of work worth it."

The project demonstrates what can happen when members of the Inland Northwest disc golf community combine their skills, resources and willingness to serve. From Let'em Fly Disc Golf's donated professional design work, to Dip's Discs providing the equipment, to Mad Tree Foundation volunteers completing the installation, the 18-hole course was built around a shared goal: **giving more young people an opportunity to discover disc golf.**

About Mad Tree Foundation

[Mad Tree Foundation](#) is an Idaho-based nonprofit organization with a mission of **"Supporting the community through disc golf."** Through volunteer projects, youth initiatives, community partnerships, events and charitable giving, the foundation uses disc golf to make a positive impact throughout the Inland Northwest.

About Union Gospel Mission of the Inland Northwest

Union Gospel Mission of the Inland Northwest serves individuals, families and children throughout the region through programs focused on providing support, opportunity and hope. Its youth camp gives children the opportunity to experience outdoor activities, positive relationships and new experiences in a camp environment at no cost to their families.

About Let'em Fly Disc Golf

Let'em Fly Disc Golf, founded by David Willman, provides disc golf course design and installation services. For the UGM Youth Camp project, Willman donated his design and installation expertise, helping create a course specifically suited to introducing young players to the sport.



About Dip's Discs

Dip's Discs supported the new UGM youth disc golf program by donating 25 putters, helping ensure campers have the equipment needed to learn, practice and enjoy the new course from day one.

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