

The Neighborhood Hotel NOLS Scholarship Awarded to Student from Rockford, Michigan

Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast at The Neighborhood Hotel Grand Beach, MI, with Zingermans Cornman Farm to Raise Funds for Scholars

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, USA, May 6, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Neighborhood Hotel team is



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comprised of outdoor enthusiasts. We love adventure and want to do whatever we can to support others who crave exploration. [The National Outdoor Leadership School](#) [NOLS] is one of our favorite organizations [you can find a few NOLS books in our Grand Beach suites] as they teach kids leadership, teamwork, and wilderness skills through expeditions into our nation’s most inspiring places. During college, The Neighborhood Hotel Founder Jonathan Gordon was fortunate to complete a NOLS Wyoming Wind River Wilderness course, which led to his lifelong love of the outdoors. “NOLS firmly communicated crucial values like always be prepared, how personal and group goals can

be achieved together, and how those lessons taught in the wilderness translate into the front country,” Gordon says.

A few years ago, The Neighborhood Hotel Grand Beach hosted a Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast with Zingerman’s Cornman Farms. This breakfast raised enough money to create The Neighborhood Hotel Scholarship for NOLS, awarded to Addison, 19, from Rockford, Michigan. Addison completed the Rockies to Baja Year Course, where they actively engaged in wilderness education, environmental stewardship, and leadership development. The experiences gained during this course are invaluable and will undoubtedly be carried forward into their future endeavors and life experiences. This unique NOLS course includes Backpacking in the Wind River Range of Wyoming, Wilderness First Aid, Rock Climbing in Colorado, Exploring the Canyons of Utah, Sailing, and Sea Kayaking in Baja, Mexico.

The Neighborhood Hotel Grand Beach is offering the Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast again this year on Sunday, May 12th, from 9:30 am – 11:30 am EST. Add a \$50 donation to NOLS when booking a Mother’s Day weekend room at The Neighborhood Hotel New Buffalo or Grand Beach. The Neighborhood Hotel team is excited to raise money for a second NOLS scholarship and

looks forward to designing our own NOLS Company Trip one day.

NOLS scholarships exist to provide financial support to deserving students in their pursuit of growing their wilderness and leadership skills. By offering these generous need-based scholarships, NOLS continues demonstrating their commitment to leadership, safety, community and excellence. Each student who completes a NOLS course has incredible potential to use the skills they learn in deeply impactful ways. The journey from learning wilderness medicine to fostering risk management, developing an environmental ethic, and igniting a passion for exploration represents the diverse skill set acquired through NOLS courses. Throughout the 2023 fiscal year, NOLS awarded over \$1.1 Million in scholarships to 694 individuals throughout 42 states and 12 countries.

Scholarship recipients participated in the following programs:

- Access Partners: By partnering with youth mentoring organizations nationwide, this program empowers students from communities under-represented and under-resourced outdoors.
- Expeditions: Introduce novice explorers to the outdoors and provide veteran explorers opportunities to hone their skills.
- Instructor Courses: Ensure passionate outdoor educators are equipped to pursue a fulfilling career with NOLS teaching and leading on Expeditions.
- Wilderness Medicine: Students learn potentially life-saving skills, from initial training for outdoor enthusiasts to highly skilled certificates for outdoor professionals.

I came to NOLS through a scholarship opportunity. My NOLS Course to this day is one of the most transformative things I have ever done – it inspired me to return and build a career with NOLS. It has helped me witness life's joys and bear death's burdens. It has taught me to stay calm in the face of hardship, and that practice and perseverance is a valuable disciplines. It has taught me to be kind and curious, to be compassionate to myself, and to love others. Now, here I am, with an abundance of gratitude for the person who supported me – from the bottom of my heart, I say thank you.

-Amy Tillotson, 2023 NOLS Instructor



The next generation of NOLS grads doing some bedtime reading @ TNBHD Grand Beach.

I was mentally and physically challenged but left with an immense feeling of self-confidence. I find myself appreciating the small things much more, and I can now live with much less.”

–Sasha, NOLS Participant

Not only did I gain practical and physical skills that will help me be a more effective leader and educator, but I also developed a deep sense of personal trust and confidence, which is invaluable.

-Allison, NOLS Participant

About The Neighborhood Hotel

The Neighborhood Hotel was founded by travel enthusiasts who enjoy spaces that inspire comfort and fuel. Each suite is well equipped for short and long-term stays (i.e., kitchenettes, laundry, etc.). The Neighborhood Hotel aims to transform old buildings with incredible history into well-outfitted apartment-style hotels that honor the old while representing the now. The vibe is fresh + fun, with rooms that are stocked to support everyone from the homebody to the adventurer. The Neighborhood Hotel serves as a basecamp for the explorer and a sanctuary for the traveler who needs to recharge, reset or chill. The suites are simple + clean, punctuated by accents that bring the right amount of pop. The Neighborhood Hotel has locations in Lincoln Park, Little Italy, West Loop (2025 opening), New Buffalo, MI, and Grand Beach, MI.

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