

Person-Centered Campout

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September 16-20, 2026

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Number of people registered: 10

FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is the purpose of the Person-Centered Campout?

A. The Person-Centered Campout will be a multi-day workshop that provides opportunities for Person-Centered encounter groups in the Rogerian style. There will be a basic plan for unstructured community meetings over a span of five days. The purpose of the community meetings will be left for the groups to decide. Community meetings will be unfacilitated and all participants will be co-equal members of the groups.

“Attending the person-centered campout (two times now) has been one of the most rewarding, interesting, and memorable experiences I’ve had. It is a chance to have deep and emotionally transformative experiences in the supportive company of others, but it is also a chance to observe group process, to observe oneself in a group, to try new ways of

engaging with others socially, and to simply *be* with others. The group experience is both rewarding and challenging, but there is something particularly wholesome about the type of challenges experienced in a group of this kind. Specifically, the group is an encounter with others, but it is also a form of encounter with oneself that is very hard to come by in other contexts. I would highly recommend the group to anyone who is curious or who hungers for more authentic experiences of connection.” Jack Wheeler

Q. What are the dates of the 2026 Person-Centered Campout?

A. The 2026 Person-Centered Campout dates are: September 16 - 20, 2026

Check in opens: 3pm - Wednesday September 16, 2026

Check out closes: 2pm - Sunday September 20, 2026

Q. Where will the Person-Centered Campout take place?

A. The workshop will be located at Camp Reinberg - 1801 N. Quentin Rd, Palatine, IL 60074, USA
This is a public campground in the Chicagoland area, located in Cook County, Illinois

Q. What is the cost to attend the workshop?

A. **Mid Rate Registration:**

Workshop only (no overnight stays) - \$165.00

Workshop including overnight cabin stays (1 - 4 nights) - \$300.00

Mid Rate Registration: April 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

When payment is received, you will be emailed to confirm your cabin reservation and/or workshop reservation.

If you would like to rent a tent site (contact Camp Reinberg directly to do so) your fee to attend the workshop is \$165.00

Q. How can I register for the workshop?

A. Registration is currently open at the Mid Registration rate

Click [here](#) to register

Early Registration: Jan 1 - March 31, 2026

Mid Registration: April 1 - June 30, 2026

Late Registration: July 1 - Sept 15, 2026

The last day to reserve a cabin bed is September 1, 2026

The last day to register to attend community meetings is September 1, 2026

Q. How can I pay to attend the workshop?

A. -You can pay electronically through Zelle to personcenteredcampout@gmail.com

or

-You can mail a check. For more information to pay by check, email Laura at personcenteredcampout@gmail.com

Your workshop reservation will be filled once payment is received. When payment is received, you will be emailed to confirm your workshop reservation. If you are a first time attendee and would like to inquire about a scholarship, please send an email to Laura at personcenteredcampout@gmail.com

Monetary donations are currently being accepted through Zelle -
personcenteredcampout@gmail.com

Q. What is the workshop schedule?

A. Workshop Schedule:

Wednesday - Check-in 3-6pm - Community meeting 6-9pm

Thursday - Community Meetings - 9am-12pm, 2pm-5pm, 7pm-10pm

Friday - Community Meetings - 9am-12pm, 2pm-5pm, 7pm-10pm

Saturday - Community Meetings - 9am-12pm, 2pm-5pm, 7pm-10pm

Sunday - Community Meeting - 9am-12pm - Check out 12-2pm

Q. Is there a deadline to reserve a cabin bed?

A. Yes, the last day to reserve a cabin bed is September 1, 2026

Q. What are the cabins like?

A. Camp Reinberg offers Large cabins and Small cabins - we have some large cabins reserved to stay overnight for our workshop

The Large cabins have a toilet, wheelchair accessible shower, sinks, heat and A/C, electricity, and can sleep up to 10 people, with four bunk beds and two twin beds inside of a separate room - pillows and linens for bedding are not included

The Small cabins have electricity, with four bunk beds, and can sleep up to eight people - no plumbing, no heat or A/C - pillows and linens for bedding are not included - to reserve your own small cabin, please contact Camp Reinberg to complete your contract

Heaters are not allowed in any of the cabins as they could trigger the cabin sprinkler system
Check the weather closer to the workshop - warmer blankets may be needed in cooler weather

Q. Are linens included with reservations?

A. No, linens are not included with the campsite accommodations. Please bring your own with you. If you are not able to bring your own, indicate at the time of registration that you would like to include linens with your reservation, for a \$10 additional fee.

The linens bundle includes a flat sheet, a fitted sheet and one pillowcase (pillow not included)

Q. What is the fee for bed linens?

A. It costs \$10 for one twin sized linens bundle. The bundle includes a flat sheet, a fitted sheet and one pillowcase (pillow not included). You can pay for linens ahead of time or at check-in on the day you arrive (via cash or Zelle)

Q. How are cabin mates decided?

A. If you know who you would like to stay with in a cabin, please list their name(s) on the RSVP form. If you do not have enough people to fill an entire cabin, others will fill the spaces according to need and fit. Send an email to Laura at personcenteredcampout@gmail.com for more information.

Cabins will be filled with requests on a first come first served basis. Your cabin request will be considered once payment is received. When payment is received, you will be emailed to confirm your cabin reservation and/or workshop reservation.

Q. Can I attend the workshop for part of the time?

A. Yes, you can attend all or part of the workshop.

Q. Can I attend the workshop if I don't sleep over at the campsite?

A. Yes, you can attend the community meetings even if you choose not to stay over at the campsite.

Q. What is the Community Meeting space like?

A. There is a Dining Hall building that includes tables and folding chairs; the dining hall space is where we will have our community meetings. The hall can hold up to 80 people at once. It is available for us to rent for a per hour fee. This fee will be included with the registration fee for the workshop. The building will be available to us from 9am until 10pm. At 10pm, everyone will need to leave the Dining Hall building so that staff can clean the building for the next day. Unfortunately, there is no exception to this rule. Community meetings in the Dining Hall will have to end at 10pm each night.

There are restrooms in the Dining Hall building.

The Dining Hall includes a kitchen that can be used during the hours we have rented it (9am-10pm). The kitchen includes a refrigerator, stove, oven, microwave, and sink. Nothing else is included - no pots, pans, plates, bowls, utensils, soap, sponges, towels, etc. If you would like to use the kitchen, you may do so, but you must bring everything you need to use it. It is expected that those using the kitchen will clean up each time after using the kitchen.

We will have access to a hot water kettle and a coffee pot. Tea and coffee will be provided and prepared each morning. Please consider bringing a refillable hot cup - **no ceramic or glass**

Q. Can I rent a tent campsite at Camp Reinberg?

A. Yes. To do so, please contact Camp Reinberg directly (contact info above) and they will help you with reserving a campsite. Payment for your tent campsite will not be affiliated with the Person-Centered Campout. If you choose to rent a campsite, your fee to attend the workshop will be \$150 for workshop attendance only.

Q. Are there hotel accommodations near the campsite?

A. Yes, there are several hotels close to Camp Reinberg if you would prefer not to stay over at the campground. It is recommended to book your hotel accommodations sooner rather than later as hotel space could be unavailable as the workshop approaches.

Q. Are there restaurants near the campsite?

A. Yes, there are many restaurant options close to Camp Reinberg, which can be researched online.

Q. Can I make a monetary donation, separate from registration fees, to the Person-Centered Campout workshop?

A. Yes, you can make a monetary donation to the Person-Centered Campout, which will be used for costs associated with the workshop. To do so, please email Laura at personcenteredcampout@gmail.com for more information.

Q. How can I purchase shirts and hoodies for the workshop?

A. Click [here](#) to buy 2026 shirts and hoodies





Other things to know about the campground and attending the workshop

- Coffee and hot water will be available at the workshop each morning - please consider bringing your own refillable cup

- There is an additional separate building available for toilets and showers on the campsite grounds - all showers, in large cabins and in shower buildings, are wheelchair accessible.
- Water from all taps on the campground can be used for drinking water.
- Campsite quiet hours are from 10pm to 7am.
- Parking at Camp Reinberg is separated into two lots. Those who are staying over in a cabin are able to park in the main parking lot closest to the cabins. Those who will not be staying over at the campsite are able to park in the visitor's parking lot, just behind the main parking lot. The lots are marked with signage.
- Wagons are available at the campsite to help bring your belongings from the parking lot to the cabins.
- Alcohol is allowed but there is **NO GLASS** of any kind allowed anywhere on the campground premises. This includes non-alcoholic containers as well. Please do not bring glass bottles into the community meeting space, or into cabins.
- There is a fire pit at each cabin. One free bundle of firewood is included with each cabin. Each additional firewood bundle costs \$5.00 which can be purchased at the management building. It is not permitted to use any firewood other than what is provided by the campsite. In other words, you may not bring your own firewood or collect firewood from the surrounding area to use in the fire pits.
- There are tent campsites available for rent. These campsites will require you to bring your own tent and all the gear needed at a tent campsite. They are available on a first come first served basis. They are able to be reserved on your own with your own contract and payment directly to Camp Reinberg. Contact Camp Reinberg directly if you are interested in reserving a tent campsite.
- Please do not bring your dogs. Although we love them, it will be too much liability for the event organizers to take on.
- There are several trail systems right off of the campground for use by anyone who would like to use them. They are also open to the public.
- Based on weather conditions, it may be necessary to bring warmer blankets, etc for sleeping

Things you may want to bring

- Seat cushion for folding chairs - or your own folding chair
- Twin sized linens for bedding

- Pillow
- Warm blankets for sleeping/sleeping bag
- Shower shoes
- Reusable water bottle - **no glass**
- Refillable hot cup
- Flashlight/Headlamp
- Bug repellent
- Hiking/trail walking shoes
- Journal

