



*Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.* Martin Luther King Jr.

January 21, 2019

Dear friends and supporters of Quaker Oaks Farm and Spring Camp,

I write to you on Martin Luther King Jr day and in thinking about Spring Camp at Quaker Oaks Farm the “network of mutuality” King referenced is much on my mind. At Quaker Oaks Farm we embrace that mutuality in our agricultural and habitat restoration practices from the microbes to the plants, animals and people. That mutuality of all Beings is also central to the world view of the Wukchumni Yokuts, the original people of this land. Together we seek to understand and address the injustices of our history including violence, loss of land, and culture losses suffered by Native people of California.

**Together we are finding a new way forward on this shared land.**

**Spring Camp is central to this effort.** As our young people grow up together, some now having attended 5 years of camp, we see their friendships deepen as they learn together and develop trust despite differing social circumstances. As their leadership skills develop, they step up in new ways to give back to the land and the community.

**We can't do this work without them.**

**Mutuality also includes you, our community of support. Without your encouragement and generous financial support, we simply could not offer a camp that serves these young people.** Many of our campers attend only with significant financial support from people like you.

**Thank you for your past generosity. Please give generously this year so we can continue to serve all the youth that wish to attend.** If your employer offers a matching program, please consider asking for a match. We are certified with Benevity (Apple and others) to accept matching funds. Donations can be made at [QuakerOaksFarm.org](http://QuakerOaksFarm.org) or a check can be mailed to Quaker Oaks Farm, 17216 Ave 296, Visalia CA 93292 with a notation in the memo line “Camp”.

This year's theme at camp will be FIRE, building on past themes of Water and Earth and the interrelatedness of all Beings. Please see the flyer and our website [QuakerOaksFarm.org](http://QuakerOaksFarm.org) for more details. A service project building a Peace Garden on the Land and a field trip will be included. Be sure to let families with youth in grades 6-12 know about Camp and invite them to apply on the website. We welcome all who wish to come regardless of ability to pay.

With gratitude,  
Melissa Lovett-Adair, Chair  
Quaker Oaks Farm board of directors