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Dear Friends and Family of CBOBS,

Our annual Cornerstone Celebration scheduled for May 28 has been canceled. However, we know that your dedication to our mission, our crew, and our students extends far beyond one night under the tent. It's for that reason the crew at Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound School is confidently ready to face whatever is next with *your* support!

And we need your support now more than ever. During this unprecedented time, there are consequential downsides if we don't raise the funds we originally planned through the Cornerstone event. With school closures across the region, we suspended our spring programs, and now our summer programming is at risk. These closures mean a significant loss of income to CBOBS and threaten our ability to maintain future programming. And the most significant impact -- more than 7,000 students could lose access to our high quality, evidence-based character education program...lose seeing a true starry sky for the first time or learning just how resilient they can be.

We can get through this challenging time if we do it *together*. To show our commitment and to lead the way, **the entire CBOBS Board has made a financial pledge to Cornerstone – please join us and make a donation today.** You are the Cornerstones of our community and the Cornerstones of our school. We won't be celebrating a single honoree this year, instead we'll be celebrating all of you — our trusted crew of supporters.

With many needs in the region, we sincerely appreciate your continued support of Cornerstone. Though the next few months will be challenging, we are determined to come out of this with renewed vigor to serve our students, staff, and community. Thank you for modeling the way. Get more info about our new virtual sponsorship benefits or give online at outwardboundchesapeake.org/cornerstone2020.

To serve, to strive, and not to yield.

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