Discovery Cove/Dream Village Trip Dream Information [updated 1/12/18]

Eligible covered persons: dream child, guardians/parents, children living in home with dream child who are 18 or younger at time of dream child’s approval and living in home at time of trip, dream child’s nurse/aide if required (doctor must indicate nurse/aide is required). Airline tickets and theme park tickets are covered for nurse/aide. Salary is not covered.

Trip duration: 6 days/5 nights (normally Wednesday to Monday, but subject to airline schedule)

All trip arrangements are made by us working with the parents to make the trip a dream come true

Included

- Round-trip airline tickets or funds for round-trip driving expenses provided up to $1,000.00. **WE DO NOT** arrange ground transportation to/from your home airport
- A rental vehicle (through either Enterprise or a Wheelchair accessible van company) for your use while in Florida. Driver must be at least 25 years old. They will need to show proof of insurance, and a valid driver’s license **Also note:** if the driver has **any** outstanding debt, past accidents, rental issues or any other incidents with the rental company, they will **not** release the rental until the debt, incident or issue is satisfied.
- Lodging accommodations at the Sunshine Foundation’s Dream Village Resort. The Dream Village is located approximately 20 minutes from Disney World, has a wheelchair accessible heated pool, a handicapped-equipped playground, and a putt-putt golf course. You will have your own private uniquely-themed two-bedroom cottage that sleeps between 6 and 8 people. Each cottage has one queen size bed, four twin-size beds (except for the Space Cottage which has 2 twin beds and a spaceship bed that sleeps 1), a stroller, hairdryer, mini-fridge, microwave, coffee maker, toaster, blender, iron, ironing board, linens, towels, plates, cups, utensils, Wi-Fi, CD and DVD players, Xbox 360 gaming system, and a color cable TV. A sleeper sofa is available in select cottages (cottages that sleep 8). Pack & play cribs are available by request. There are **no** cooking facilities in the cottage. **MEALS ARE NOT INCLUDED.** If your child has specific dietary requirements that require cooking facilities, please notify me as soon as possible.
- Pictures of the Dream Village can be seen at http://sunshinefoundation.org/dream-programs/dream-village/
- Each person covered on the trip will receive a one-day admission to Discovery Cove. The dream child is upgraded to a dolphin interaction experience (child must be 6 years of age). Children between 6 and 12 must have a parent accompany them in the water during the dolphin interaction experience (costs covered by Sunshine for one parent only). Discovery Cove gives each guest a 7-day complimentary pass to Sea World and Aquatica (Sea World’s waterpark).
- More information can be found at https://discoverycove.com/
- Funds one month prior to the trip and additional funds upon arrival at the Dream Village to assist with your trip and travel expenses.

We notify families AT LEAST 3 MONTHS before the trip can be scheduled to allow ample time to make all arrangements. Currently the estimated waiting list for this dream request is over 5 years from the child’s approval date (the date of your child’s approval letter). Your child’s approval date is the date of the acceptance letter you received after your child was approved. The waiting list is subject to change. It is imperative that you inform us of any contact information changes or changes to your child’s condition. If we cannot reach you to schedule your child’s trip, it may result in the loss of opportunity and removal from the waiting list.

Thank you for your understanding. Any questions can be directed to me by phone or email. I am in the office from 10 am to 2 pm (ET) Monday through Friday. Maryanne Snyder, Program Services Assistant 1-800-767-1976/215-396-4770 (extension 107) or maryanne@sunshinefoundation.org