



## HOST A COACH

Today, I want to invite you to participate in one of the most unique and exciting opportunities that the Challenger camps provide. Namely the ability to host one of the trainers for the week. The Challenger trainers are typically 18 to 23 year old college students or academy coaches from somewhere within the United Kingdom. They typically have played soccer at high levels and may still be. Their college major is usually in a related field such as coaching, training, physical fitness and etc. They have been extensively trained in 'the Challenger Way' and are spending their Summer in the US making some money but also learning about the USA and Canada. They are usually assigned to a region and then spend their Summer training at camps around that region. Each Sunday, they move to a new camp and live for a week with the family of a camper.

A host family provides a trainer with a place to sleep, shower and do laundry. The host family provides the trainer three meals a day - one of which is a sack lunch during the week. If the family is able to provide internet access, it is most welcome as the trainer can keep in touch with their family and friends but it is not necessary.



The trainers will work at the camp at least three hours every week day. They have their own transportation, insurance, phone and spending money. When they are not working, they will most likely want to hang out with the family but may go out with the other trainers once during the week. Family soccer matches in the back yard are typically a daily occurrence. If the family is doing something like attending a movie, going to a ball game or out for ice cream, they usually invite their trainer to go along but they do not have to. The trainer may or may not go along but they usually do.

Most of the trainers are already spoken for - having been placed with host families that volunteered when they submitted their registration. However, the opportunity still exists to host the remaining trainers. There is an \$80 rebate for each host family on their camp fee or simply a check that can be credited after the camp ends. The trainers will arrive around dinner time on Sunday, and leave either the following Saturday or Sunday.

If you are interested in being a host family, please reply to this email at your earliest convenience. I will get in touch with potential host families and answer their questions in the order that I receive the replies. When I have placed all of the trainers, I will notified the remaining families that they will have to wait until next year to be a host.

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