



Most people have heard the saying, “It takes a village to raise a child.” *Elk Rapids Marina* is working hard to make sure that saying comes to life in the Elk Rapids community. They have partnered with *Right Tree*, a local charity, as it works to help teen girls discover their worth, their gifts, their voice and their future. For every daily boat rental, *Elk Rapids Marina* contributes \$25 to help *Right Tree* continue and expand their programs supporting local teens. Special events and their specially themed *Right Tree* pontoon provide additional

opportunities for patrons to support these programs.



Growing up has never been more challenging. On top of the "normal" issues in the lives of teenage girls, the negative, judgmental, predatory nature of social media coupled with the hyper-sexualized airbrushed fantasy world around them has girls struggling with identity, anxiety and depression as never before.

Since 2011 *Right Tree*, has been using outdoor recreation, adventure programming, and community service to speak positively into the lives of teenage girls. Their technology-free, face-to-face events help girls discover they are not alone in their struggles, they were created for a purpose, they bring something to this world no one else does, they are enough just the way they are, and they are

growing into someone even more amazing. Whether backpacking the *Porcupine Mountains*, renovating low-income housing, sailing Lake Michigan, surviving paintball battles on a remote island or enjoying s'mores around a campfire, *Right Tree* is committed to helping girls believe and live their motto: *Every Girl Matters!*



This partnership goes even further —while *Elk Rapids Marina* provides a wide range of water sport options, *Right Tree Adventure Rentals* (directly across the street), offers a full menu of outdoor recreational equipment (bikes, kayaks, SUP's) to the community on a donation basis. 100% of use donations flow back into *Right Tree* programming. *Fun stuff doing good stuff!*

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Find out more about *Right Tree* programs, rentals, and how you can help make a difference at www.righttree.org

