

## PEACE RIVER OUTWARD BOUND

Desoto County, Circuit 12  
8806 S.W. Start Center Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266  
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**Director  
David Rodgers**



**Low  
Risk  
Male**

**Staff Secure**

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Outward Bound was originally a term used to describe the moment a ship left its moorings and committed itself to the open sea, bound for the unknown with all its hazards and adventures. Participants in Outward Bound programs are challenged in three directions; physical performance in athletic events, the exercise of patience in a task of craftsmanship and cooperation and endurance in an expedition on land or water. This wilderness expedition based experiential program is located on the Peace River. The program uses river-canoeing trips to teach social skills. Group and individual counseling are also provided. Education is provided by the programs teachers both in camp and while on the river trips. Program contracts with Charlotte County Mental Health for overlay mental health services. AA provides substance abuse groups on site. Youth must bring own clothing. Youth must be physically fit to participate in program. Average length of stay is 6 months.

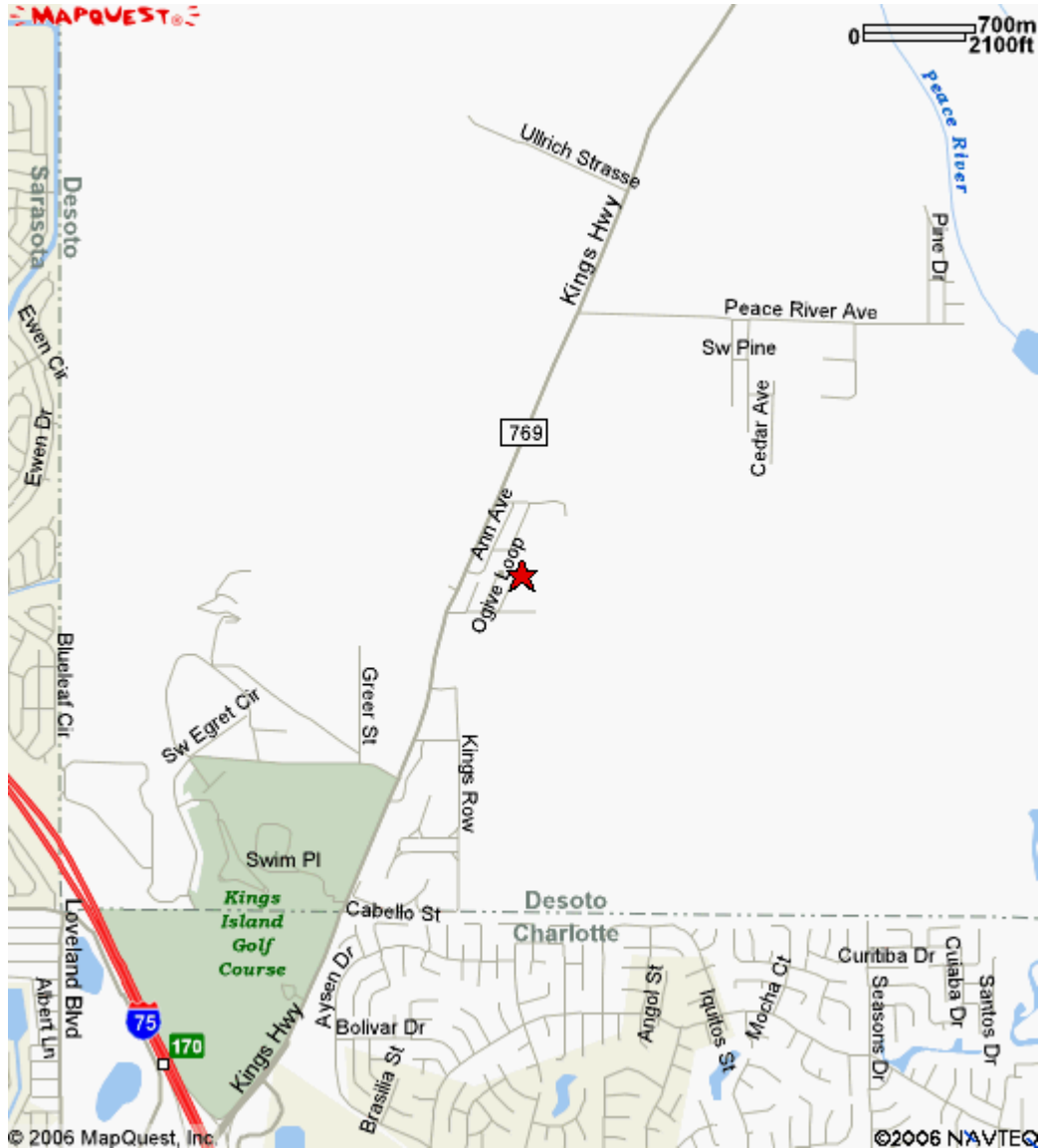
**For questions, please contact the facility directly using the phone number at the top of the page.**

**Contract Provider: Hurricane Island Outward Bound  
Operating Capacity: 35      Serves Ages 14 – 18**

### DJJ DIRECT SUPPORT STAFF

**Program Monitor: Rick Patton  
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**Directions To Program**

**From Ft. Myers, proceed north on I-75 to Kings Hwy. (Exit 31). Exit and turn right (east). Proceed on Kings Hwy. for approximately 7 1/2 miles to Start Center Street. Turn right on to Start Center Street. Program is located at the end of the dirt road.**