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THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

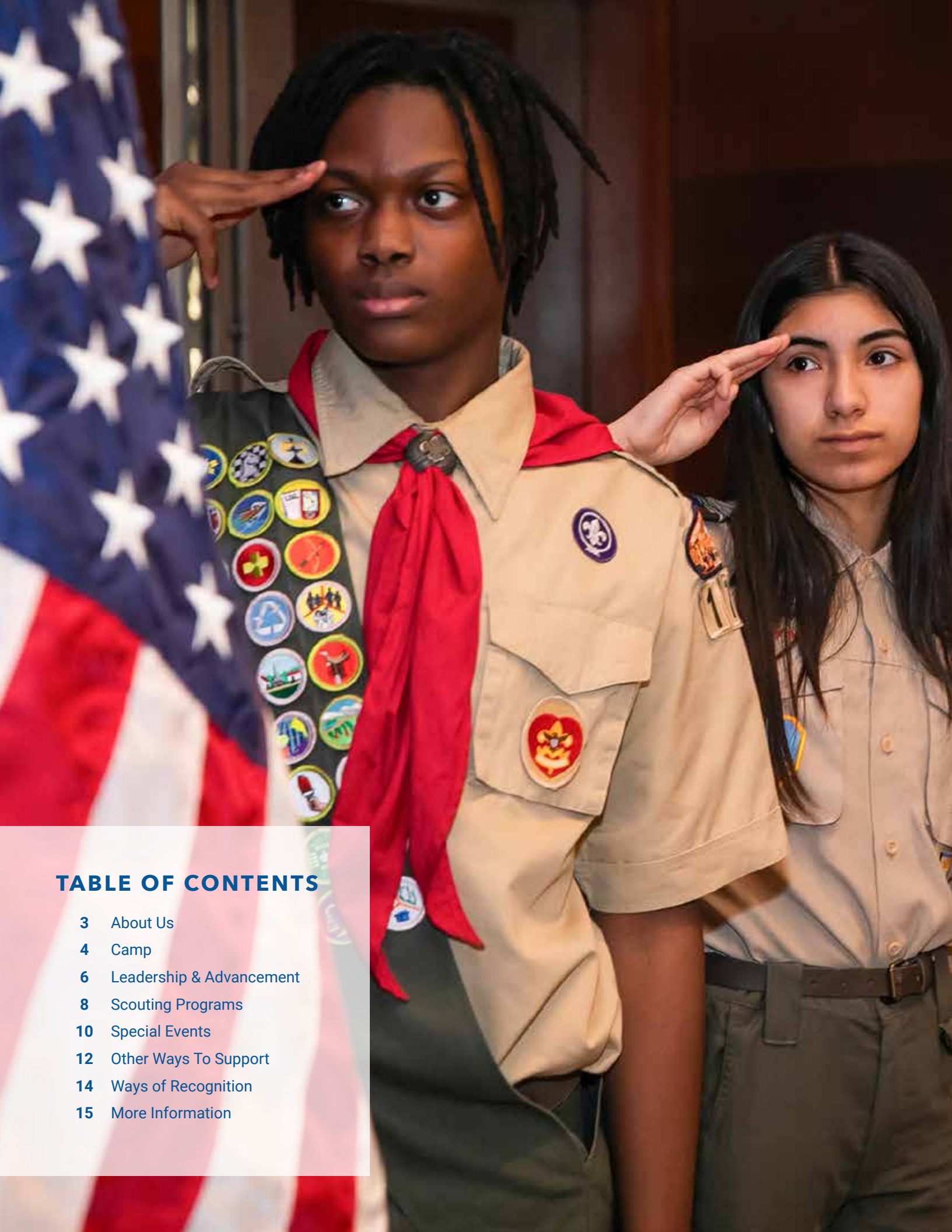


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ABOUT US

Pathway to Adventure Council provides the nation's foremost youth program for character development and values-based leadership training to more than 13,600 youth, from kindergarten through high school in Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana. Over 5,400 adult volunteers deliver Scouting's impactful programs to help young people be "Prepared. For Life.®"

Last year, local Scouts and adult volunteers provided 110,503 hours of community service valued at \$3,514,000.

Our programs include Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Exploring, Sea Scouts, Restoring the Village, STEM in Scouting, and Soccer in Scouting.

MISSION STATEMENT

To prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



13,603

Youth Served



5,400

Adult Volunteers



110,503

Hours of Community Service



3,198

New Cub Scout Families



383

Eagle Scouts



408

Explorers



3,567

Youth Attended PTAC Summer Camps



634

Soccer in Scouting Youth



75,800

Pieces Collected for Scouting for Food

Scouting Programs

Our Scouting programs are designed to provide youth with opportunities to grow, explore, and develop important life skills. From fostering leadership to encouraging community engagement, our diverse programs offer experiences that shape future leaders and empower young people to reach their full potential. Each program is carefully crafted to provide a safe, supportive environment where youth can build character, develop lasting friendships, and discover new passions.

Your generous support is essential in ensuring these programs continue to thrive and reach as many young people as possible. By sponsoring one of our programs, you help equip Scouts with the resources they need to succeed, from uniforms and program materials to training for leaders and scholarships for Scouts. Your donation directly impacts the lives of youth in our community, providing them with the tools, mentorship, and experiences that will help them build a brighter future.



SUPPORT SCOUTING PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS

By sponsoring one of our Scouting programs, you directly contribute to its success and impact. Your support ensures each program is equipped with the resources needed to thrive, some examples include:

- Program Materials
- Uniforms for Scouts
- Facility Rentals and Operation Costs
- Recruitment Materials
- Advertising and Promotion
- Training and Development for Leaders
- Equipment and Supplies
- Scholarships for Scouts



CUB SCOUTS

For grades K-5, Cub Scouts is a program where youth develop the foundations for leadership, citizenship, and personal fitness through fun activities. Activities include exploring the outdoors, building projects, making friends, and developing a lifelong love of learning!

SCOUTS BSA

For ages 11-17, Scouts BSA is where youth develop outdoor skills, self-confidence, and ethics through youth planned activities focused in service, community engagement, and leadership. Scouts earn merit badges and work towards Scouting's highest rank—Eagle Scout.

EXPLORING

For ages 10-20, Exploring connects youth with mentors, businesses, and agencies within their communities to help them discover future career paths. Explorers step out of the classroom and into real-world work environments to gain hands-on experience and learn more about potential career paths – like law enforcement, aviation, fire, and EMS.

STEM IN SCOUTING

For grades 3-12, our STEM in Scouting program partners with leaders in STEM education and local schools to provide a fun and interactive program focused in science, technology, engineering, math, and arts. The program continues through middle and high school.

RESTORING THE VILLAGE (RTV)

For ages 5-20, RTV is an initiative that extends Scouting access to underserved communities at no cost to families. Through partnerships between Scouting and community leaders, RTV gives youth the values, tools, opportunities, and mentors needed to build a brighter future.

SOCCER IN SCOUTING

For ages 5-18, Soccer in Scouting is a unique program that blends Scouting's benefits with the fun of soccer. The families that connect to the Soccer in Scouting program come together to have fun, bond with their community, and offer their children new opportunities.

Leadership & Advancement

Pathway to Adventure's leadership and advancement programs empower Scouts with the skills and experiences they need to succeed in all areas of life. These programs go beyond the basics, offering Scouts the chance to challenge themselves, explore new opportunities, and develop a sense of responsibility that extends far beyond the campsite.

Through engaging activities and immersive experiences, Scouts build confidence, learn to lead with integrity, and tackle challenges with resilience and creativity. Whether they are earning badges that open doors to future careers, participating in teamwork-driven adventures, or honing critical decision-making skills, these programs lay the foundation for lifelong growth.

Your support ensures that every Scout has access to these transformative opportunities, equipping them to thrive as leaders in their communities and beyond. By investing in these programs, you're helping shape tomorrow's problem-solvers and innovators.



SUPPORT LEADERSHIP & ADVANCEMENT

MERIT BADGE SPONSOR

Merit badges are a cornerstone of the Scouting program, offering youth the chance to learn new skills, explore careers, and work toward rank advancement. By sponsoring a merit badge, you support Scouts in their journey of discovery and development.

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EAGLE BADGE SPONSOR

Empower Scouts on the path to Scouting's highest honor by sponsoring an Eagle-required merit badge.

ELECTIVE BADGE SPONSOR

Encourage Scouts to explore new interests and passions by sponsoring an elective merit badge. Your sponsorship helps make these enriching educational experiences possible.

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

Merit Badge College is where Scouts can explore interests, develop skills, and work toward advancement in a focused classroom setting. Scouts can complete up to four different merit badges in one day!

SPONSOR A CLASS

Support a specific merit badge class and help cover materials and resources that make these hands-on learning experiences possible.

MB COLLEGE SPONSOR

Sponsor the event and ensure Scouts have access to a well-organized and impactful educational program. Your contribution supports facility costs, supplies, and program enhancements.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Support local food banks by participating in our food drive. Scouts come together to help those in need by canvassing their communities for donations.

EVENT SPONSOR

Help fund campaign costs and purchasing goods for donations. Your support will make a direct impact.

CORPORATE PARTICIPANT

Engage your business to raise food donations and support the campaign.

NYLT

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is 6-day leadership course designed to equip Scouts with essential skills in teamwork, problem-solving, and communication. Scouts tackle challenges, lead projects, and build confidence while forging lasting friendships.

NYLT SPONSOR

Support the entire NYLT program as an event sponsor. Your contribution helps cover the costs of materials, facilities, and resources, ensuring a high-quality experience for all participants.

HIGH ADVENTURE

Scouting's high adventure programs, like the National Jamboree and Philmont Scout Ranch, offer life-changing experiences. These journeys are more than trips—they are milestones in a Scout's growth and character development.

CONTINGENT SPONSOR

Support an entire group of Scouts by sponsoring our contingent. Your contribution will help fund transportation, gear, and resources, making these life-changing journeys possible for all Scouts.

PINEWOOD DERBY

The Pinewood Derby is a highlight for Cub Scouts. Scouts build and race their own cars, fostering creativity, teamwork, and sportsmanship. This beloved tradition encourages ingenuity and fun.

DERBY SPONSOR

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Camp

Pathway to Adventure's camps provide life-changing experiences that offer Scouts opportunities to build character, develop leadership skills, and create memories that last a lifetime.

Camp is more than just a place—it's an experience that empowers Scouts to step out of their comfort zones, connect with nature, and forge friendships that strengthen their sense of community. Whether it's learning essential outdoor skills, exploring STEM activities, working on merit badges, or tackling team challenges, Scouts gain the confidence and resilience they need to succeed in life.

By supporting our camps, you're investing in a program that teaches responsibility, problem-solving, leadership, and a love for nature. With your help, we can ensure that every Scout has the chance to discover their potential and embark on unforgettable adventures.



SUPPORT CAMP

SUMMER CAMP

Owasippe and Camp Betz are cornerstones of Scouting adventure, tradition, and growth. Your sponsorship will ensure our Scouts experience the best in outdoor leadership and personal development.

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SPONSOR A PROGRAM AREA

Have a passion for a particular skill building area of camp? Sponsor that area! Your support ensures these vital experiences continue to thrive.

SPONSOR A SESSION

Our camp operates in week-long sessions. By sponsoring a session, you'll support all aspects of camp operations.

SUMMER SPONSOR

Sponsor the entire summer at one of our camps and make a lasting impact on thousands of Scouts as they build leadership skills, explore the outdoors, and create lifelong memories.

CAMPOREE

Whether it's a Camporee or a Cuboree, these weekend-long camping events bring together the entire council for fun, teamwork, and camaraderie. Your support will help make these events memorable and impactful for everyone involved.

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SPONSOR A STATION

Support a specific activity station. Your support will ensure Scouts enjoy high-quality, well-equipped stations that will enhance their experience.

CAMPOREE SPONSOR

Become a key sponsor of the Camporee or Cuboree event and help fund the entire weekend. Your support will directly impact the success of these large-scale camping events, creating unforgettable experiences for Scouts of all ages.

DAY CAMP

Day Camp is a summer experience for Cub Scouts and their families. Held on Saturdays at various locations, Day Camp offers exciting activities like themed adventures, crafts, target sports, and games.

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SPONSOR A LOCATION

Help bring Day Camp to life by sponsoring a specific location. Your support ensures the success of Day Camp in your community!

DAY CAMP SPONSOR

Become a key supporter of Cub Scout Day Camp as the event sponsor. Your support will help create a fun and enriching summer for Scouts across multiple locations.



Special Events

Becoming a sponsor at one of our special fundraising events offers a meaningful way to support the future of Scouting while gaining valuable exposure for your organization.

As a sponsor, you'll enjoy exclusive benefits that extend far beyond your financial support. You'll have the opportunity to network with community leaders, influential businesses, and supporters who share your commitment to youth development. Additionally, your sponsorship provides access to prominent recognition in our print and digital media that highlights your organization's values and your investment in the community. Participation in exciting activities, such as golf tournaments and sporting clay events, will further elevate your visibility while offering a memorable and engaging experience.

By supporting our events, you not only strengthen the future of Scouting but also reinforce your organization's role in shaping the next generation of leaders.



SUPPORT SPECIAL EVENTS

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By becoming a sponsor at one of our events, you're not only providing vital financial support but also gaining access to a variety of exclusive benefits. These benefits may include:

- Admission to special events
- Exclusive sponsorship recognition
- Networking opportunities with community leaders, supporters, and businesses
- Participation in exciting activities like golf tournaments or sporting clay events
- Access to silent auctions, raffles, and giveaways

METALS INDUSTRY DINNER – SPRING

A premier event for metals professionals, this gathering brings executives from all over the nation together to network and celebrate Scouting's role in shaping future leaders.

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS INDUSTRY DINNER – SPRING

Celebrate leaders in the transportation and logistics industries who contribute to the community. This dinner honors those shaping the future of these vital sectors.

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GOLF CLASSIC – SUMMER

Enjoy a day of golf on a private course while networking and supporting Scouting programs in this exciting fundraiser.

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SPORTING CLAYS CLASSIC – SUMMER

A thrilling event for both experienced and novice shooters, the Sporting Clays Classic raises funds while providing fun competition in support of Scouting.

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LASALLE – FALL

Support STEM opportunities and leadership for young women at the iconic CBOT Building atrium in Chicago's financial district. This event brings together professionals dedicated to empowering the next generation of leaders.

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WHITNEY M. YOUNG, JR SERVICE AWARD DINNER – FALL

Honor individuals and organizations dedicated to serving disadvantaged youth in urban and rural areas through Scouting. Celebrate those making a lasting difference in young people's lives.

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CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY DINNER – FALL

Join over 1,000 construction executives to network and support the next generation of construction professionals. This event celebrates the industry's commitment to Scouting.

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MEDICAL COMMUNITY LUNCHEON – FALL

Celebrate civic and medical leaders who've positively impacted their communities. This luncheon honors those improving health and well-being across the region.

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DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN DINNER – FALL

Recognize local individuals making a positive impact in Northwest Indiana. This event celebrates their efforts and contributions to their communities.

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GEORGE MEANY SERVICE AWARD – FALL

Honor an outstanding individual for their dedication to unions and service to the community. This award celebrates those who have made a significant impact in supporting working families and advancing the labor movement.

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Other Ways To Support

Supporting Scouting is more than a contribution—it's a chance to change lives. Every act of generosity, no matter the form, helps open doors for young people to discover their potential, learn valuable life skills, and become leaders who will shape a brighter future.

Your support fuels transformative experiences that teach resilience, instill character, and inspire hope. It provides opportunities for youth to grow, connect, and thrive in ways that will leave a lasting impact on their lives and our communities.

Together, we can empower the next generation to dream bigger, aim higher, and make a difference in the world. Because when you support Scouting, you're building a legacy of leadership and opportunity that affects countless lives.



SUPPORT SCOUTING

COUNCIL DONATIONS

By investing in Scouting, you are investing in America's future leaders! Your donation will make a real difference in the lives of young people and will create a lasting impact across Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana.

GENERAL DONATION

Any monetary donation will stay with Pathway to Adventure Council and directly benefit the youth we serve and programs we provide. Your support will be used to fund various expenses associated with operating Scouting at a council level.

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DONATE IN MEMORY OF

Memorial and tribute contributions are a gratifying way for individuals, businesses, or groups to remember special friends. Tributes are suitable for special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays, or to recognize a youth who has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

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JAMES E. WEST

A James E. West Fellowship gift contributes to our council's permanent endowment trust fund. This fund strengthens Scouting and insures its long-term success by providing an ongoing source of revenue for re-investment into our council's camping properties and unit support structure.

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MATCHING GIFTS

An easy way to double your contribution to Scouting is through employee giving programs. Many corporations and businesses match employee donations to Pathway to Adventure Council.

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DISTRICT DONATIONS

Support Scouting right in your backyard! By donating to your local district, you directly impact the lives of young people directly in your community. Your contribution helps fund activities, events, and resources that develop leadership, character, and skills for the Scouts in your area.

GENERAL DONATION

Any monetary donation will stay within your chosen district and directly benefit the youth in that community. Your support will be used to fund various expenses associated with operating Scouting at a district level.

FAMILY IIC

The Invest in Character campaign is an annual ask that seeks financial support from families and alumni within the Council to sustain and enhance local Scouting programs. The funds raised through IIC are used to cover various expenses associated with operating Scouting at a council level.

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GIFT IN KIND

Gifts in kind are non-monetary donations of services that help us deliver the Scouting program. Some donations include:

- First aid kits & medical supplies
- Catering for events
- Printing supplies & services
- Photography & video services
- Cleaning supplies & services
- Carpentry & facility services
- Building supplies
- Landscaping services
- Tech equipment
- Promotional services
- Transportation services
- Warehouse space for popcorn distribution
- Portable restrooms

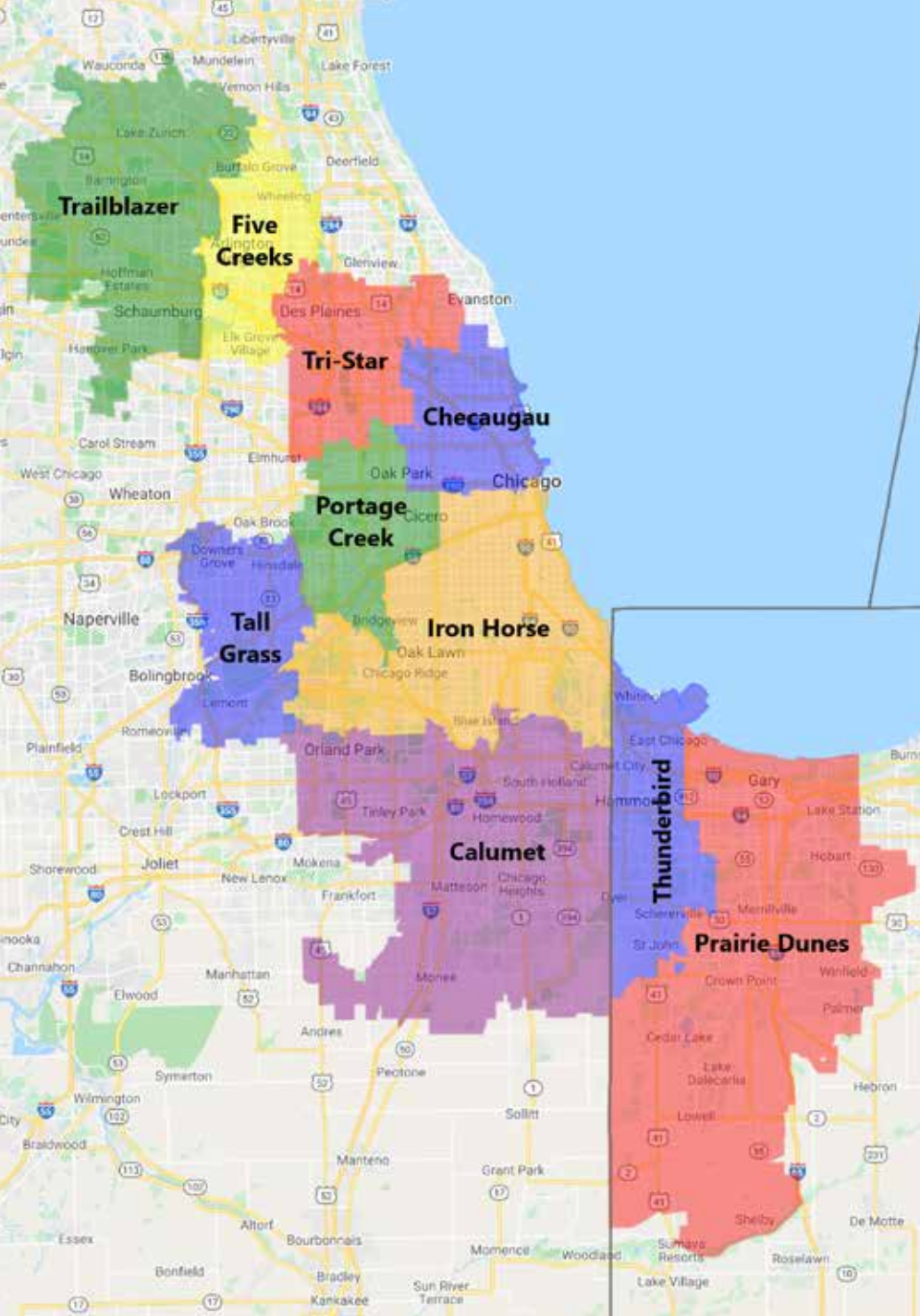
A Gift from Us to You



WAYS OF RECOGNITION

Your generosity plays a vital role in shaping the future of Scouting, and we believe such meaningful contributions deserve heartfelt recognition. Depending on the level of your support, we offer unique opportunities to celebrate your impact. Some examples include:

- **Public Acknowledgment:**
Your name or business recognized during events.
- **Personalized Recognition:**
Tokens of gratitude to display your support for Scouting.
- **Digital Acknowledgment:**
Your name or business recognized in our council newsletter, social, or our website.
- **Logo Recognition:**
Your logo displayed on event materials like t-shirts, banners, signage, or promotional materials.
- **Naming Opportunities:**
Recognition on specific projects or spaces, such as camp cabins, activity areas, buildings, or scholarships.
- **Networking Opportunities:**
Access to connect with community leaders, other sponsors, and Scouting alumni.
- **Print Acknowledgment:**
Logo or artwork representing your business in our event programs.
- **Specialized Event Experiences:**
Opportunities for you or your business to host a merit badge workshop or have a booth at our Camporee.



OUR LOCATIONS

Arlington Heights Center For Scouting

617 E. Golf Rd., Suite 101
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Chicago Center For Scouting

106 N. Aberdeen St., Suite 200
Chicago, IL 60607

La Grange Center For Scouting

27 Calendar Ave., 2nd Floor
La Grange, IL 60525

Robert J. Welsh Center For Scouting

8751 Calumet Ave.
Munster, IN 46321

OUR CAMPS

Owasippe

9900 Russell Rd.
Twin Lake, MI 49457

Camp Frank S. Betz

3858 E. Snow Rd.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Get Involved in Scouting

Want to do more for Scouting? Scan the QR code to explore volunteer opportunities for you or your business. Find out how you can inspire youth, strengthen communities, and support the future of Scouting.

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