Costs of Girl Scouts

Every Girl Should Have the Girl Scout Opportunity.
Financial Assistance is Available.
888.350.5090 Call to learn more.

A Great Value!
Girl Scouts is a great value! Talk to your troop leader now about the expenses you can anticipate for the coming year.

Membership Fee ($25/year)
Every girl and volunteer who participates in Girl Scouts is required to become a member of the organization. The Membership Fee, which is sent to our national organization, covers the cost of fundamental services that help support the Girl Scout Movement as well as accident insurance for members participating in approved Girl Scout activities.

Troop Dues ($20-60/year)
Troops may charge moderate dues to pay for supplies and badges.

Uniform ($33 - $46/year)
Uniforms are recommended but not required, and many girls enjoy wearing them to display their badges. There is a uniform for each grade level, and one uniform can be used for up to two years.

Girl Scout Books ($7 - $22/year)
A variety of books are available to support programming in troops.

Special Programs (Varies)
When not covered by the troop, special programs, such as field trips or workshops, are generally paid for individually. Examples include camping trip supplies or fees to go to a Girl Scout program event.

Cookie Program
The Girl Scout Cookie Program not only gives girls funds for the troop, but it also supports all of our services to volunteers, parents, and girls.

We believe in the Power of G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader™). We know there are no limits to a girl’s success, and we create unique opportunities that help girls see that. As a Girl Scout member, you will discover the fun, friendships, and power of girls working together through a variety of enriching experiences, including field trips, skill-building, community service projects, and cultural exchanges. You’ll see her practicing grit like a go-getter, problem solving like an innovator, embracing new things like a risk-taker, and demonstrating empathy like a leader, all while reaching her fullest potential in a safe, positive environment!

Let the Fun Begin!

Mission
Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Promise
On my honor, I will try:

To serve God and my country,

To help people at all times, and

to live by the Girl Scout Law.

Law
I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

Endless Opportunities
Girl Scouts engage in innovative and fun, age-appropriate activities that are girl-led, cooperative, and hands-on.

Badges & Petals
Badges offer girls the chance to try new things and develop specific skills, from inventing to hiking to camping to managing money.

Leadership Journeys
Girl Scouts gain leadership skills and dive deeper into topics that are relevant to them, through project-based, multidisciplinary learning adventures that help them team up to identify and solve problems in their communities.

Program Events
With hundreds of program events offered throughout the year, girls have many opportunities to engage their passions and try new things.

Camping
Camping is a great way for girls to explore leadership, build skills, and develop a deep appreciation for nature. Exciting resident, day, and troop adventure camp options are available for all ages.

Troop Money Earning
Trots and individual Girl Scouts participate in the fall nuts and candy sale and the Girl Scout Cookie Program to build key business skills and help offset costs for membership, program supplies, uniforms, activities, and travel trips.

Community Service
Girl Scouts strive to change their communities and the world in meaningful ways through short-term community service projects and longer-term take action projects.

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What to Expect
Girl Scouts do a LOT!
Girl Scout activities are easy to participate in and teach skills that will benefit your daughter throughout her lifetime. Graded by supportive adults and peers, she will participate in the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, a collection of programs and activities designed to help her Discover who she is and what she cares about, Connect who she is and what she values to things outside of herself, and Take Action to make the world a better place.

Welcome Families
Roni Luckenbill, CEO

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Daisies K-1
Brownies 2-3
Cadettes 6-8
Seniors 9-10
Ambassadors 11-12

Girls typically participate in Girl Scout activities in their own age group. There are six program levels in Girl Scouts, and girls can participate in all levels through high school!
Welcome to the Girl Scout Family

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G - Go-Getter
I - Innovator
R - Risk-Taker
L - Leader

With more than 2.5 million Girl Scouts—50,000 of these girls and volunteers—participating within our 32-county area in western Ohio and southeastern Indiana, there’s no shortage of opportunities to get involved! Whether you’re interested in Troop Leadership, volunteering, or simply wanting to make a difference in your community, Girl Scouting provides a platform for Girls to explore their passions and achieve their goals.

FAMILY PARTICIPATION

Participate in Girl Scouting with your daughter. Whether you take on the role of troop leader, plan activities, drive girls on outings, supply meeting snacks, or share information about your profession during a troop meeting, your contribution is valued and vital. Your involvement will ensure she maximizes the benefits of being a Girl Scout... and you'll have fun, too!

Support Your Girl Scout

• Spend time with her and enjoy fun Girl Scout events and activities together.
• Encourage her to take risks and try new things.
• Ask about her experiences, and see how she’s responding to the wonderful opportunities for personal growth and success.
• Attend meetings, group activities, and special ceremonies together.
• Stay connected through our social media channels, email newsletters, and website.

Support the Girl Scout Council

• Volunteer! Do you have a particular skill like archery or sewing that you’re willing to share with all of Girl Scouts? Would you be interested in mentoring older girls through their prestigious Gold Award projects?

There are many volunteer opportunities beyond your girl’s troop. Let us know how you’d like to help out, and we’ll help you find a role that matches your interests. Contact customerservice@gswo.org or visit gswo.org to learn more.

• Donate! Family Giving provides the financial resources for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio to invest in our girls’ futures. Your gift is important, and telling us how your contribution supports the work of Girl Scouts of Western Ohio will help us to communicate that in our local communities. Change the World. Donor Index at growing/donor.

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Hancock-Putnam
Paulding
Wood-Henry
Defiance
Ottawa
Lucas-Fulton-Williams
Van Wert
Allen-Hardin
Mercer-Auglaize
Logan-Shelby
Darke-Miami
Champaign-Clark
Preble-Montgomery
Greene-Clinton-Warren-Butler
Brown-Clermont
Hamilton-Dearborn
Ohio

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Special Dates in Girl Scouting 2019–20

October 31
Founder Juliette Gordon Low’s birthday

November 13
Spring Program Event Registration opens

January 3
Girl Scout Cookie Program order-taking begins

January 22
Summer Camp Registration opens

February 22
World Thinking Day—Celebrate and learn about girls from other countries

March 12
National Girl Scout Day

March 15
Girl Scout Cookie Program ends

April 22
Volunteer Appreciation Day

May 1
Early Bird Registration opens—Register for the 2020-21 Membership Year