

Girl Scouts of Western Washington

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARD - Southwest

The **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARD** recognizes an adult in a position other than leader or in addition to leader whose service benefits a geographic or program delivery unit in a way that is beyond the expectations for the position. For example: a recruiter who has retained or increased adult or girl membership in an area beyond the goals; a delegate who successfully uses the democratic process to incorporate the membership's opinions; a consultant who consistently provides high quality programs to girls; a person who has significantly increased Girl Scouting's positive image; an event director who has managed several successful events; the troop/group chair for the family partnership campaign who has increased support from the local community and families.

Applications should be turned into your Service Team, Service Unit Manager or Area Manager

Use the standard Awards Nomination Form, filling in appropriate sections.

Criteria for Selection:

1. The candidate is a registered Girl Scout adult.
2. The candidate has completed appropriate training and/or has demonstrated competence for the job.
3. The candidate has performed at a level that exceeds the expectation for the

position as outlined in the position description or volunteer agreement.

Nomination: An individual or group familiar with the candidate's performance submits a nomination form and a narrative account of the candidate's accomplishments to the Service Team, Service Unit Manager or Area Manager

Approval: The Service Team, Service Unit Manager or Area Manager reviews the information, suggests changes if needed, and notifies the nominating individual or group to proceed.

Form of Recognition: The Outstanding Volunteer Award is a pin depicting a white chain and gold trefoil against a red background. It is worn on the right side of the uniform, below the personalized identification pin, or on either side of the years of Service pin. If an adult has received more than one special recognition, e.g., Appreciation pin or Honor pin, the last one received is generally the one worn on the uniform.

Note: The Outstanding Volunteer Award differs significantly from the Appreciation pin only in the level of approval required. This encourages increased recognition of volunteers at the area level and provides greater flexibility in the council's adult recognition system.

