
Girl Scouts of Western Washington PRESIDENT'S AWARD - Southwest

The **PRESIDENT'S AWARD** recognizes the efforts of a geographic area team or program delivery team in moving its assigned area or audience toward achievement of the council's goals during a fiscal or membership year.

Application must be sent to:

Adult Recognition Committee
Girl Scouts of Western Washington
PO Box 300304
Seattle, WA 98103-9704

Application must be **postmarked by January 15** in order to be considered in that calendar year.

Criteria

1. Team members are registered adult Girl Scouts.
2. All team members have completed appropriate training, demonstrated competence, or both, for the positions they hold.
3. Delivery of Girl Scout program to the area or audience is effective, resulting in the continuity of 75 % of troops/groups or retention of troop/group leadership.
4. Overall girl membership for the area or audience has reached or surpassed the membership goal agreed upon by the team and the council.
5. The composition of the team reflects the diversity of the area or audience.
6. Team members cultivate contact in the community, such as through scheduled talks to civic groups, sponsorship agreements, or community profile updates.

7. Council-required reports are submitted on time.
8. The team maintains ongoing communications with each troop/group and with leaders utilizing a variety of methods (meetings, mail, telephone) that serve the needs of area adults.
9. The team maintains ongoing communication with girls registered individually in the area.
10. The team encourages adult participation in fund development and has increased annual giving support to the council.

Nomination: Members of the geographic area team or program delivery team submit an application for the award to the council's Adult Recognition Committee documenting completion of the criteria and their results.

Approval: The council's Adult Recognition Committee reviews the application and recommends approval or denial to the council Board of Directors. The council Board of Directors approves or denies the award and notifies the Adult Recognition Committee and geographic area team or program delivery team.

Form of Recognition: The recognition is a plaque that is presented to the manager or representative of any service unit receiving the award. The manager accepts it on behalf of the entire team. On the plaque is a space for the service unit name to appear. Each year, nameplates are awarded and added to the plaque, which is displayed in a place of honor in the council. A certificate is then given to the service unit.

Procedures

1. The members of the Service Unit complete the requirements, document the activities and/or results, and submit an application (see attached) for the award to the Adult Recognition Committee.
2. The information is received and reviewed by the Adult Recognition Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. Within six weeks of receipt of the completed application, a decision will be made and the nominating individual or group will be notified of the decision.
3. If the Service Unit is not to be recognized, the Adult Recognition Committee will send a report of the reason to the individual or group making the application. The nominating individual or group may respond with an appeal to the Adult Recognition Committee by mail within 30 days. The Adult Recognition Committee will review the appeal and the rationale for the decision will be forwarded to the Board of Directors. The decision on the appeal made by the Board of Directors will be final.
4. The **PRESIDENT'S AWARD** is presented at the Annual Council Meeting.

Complete the information below to document the Service Unit activities or results. (You may use additional paper if necessary.)

Service Unit # _____ Membership Year October 1, 20 _____ to September 30, 20 _____

Name of Service Unit Manager or Representative _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip + 4

Telephone (day): _____ Telephone (eve): _____

Date completed _____

	<i>Council Verification (Council Use Only)</i>
1. How many adult members are there is the Service Unit?	
2. How many received job orientation?	
3. How many received training?	
4. How many troops/groups were in the Service Unit?	
5. How many troop/groups continued from the previous year?	
6. How many troops/groups retained the same the leadership from the previous year?	
7. What was the overall girl membership goal?	
8. What was the girl membership?	
9. What was the population diversity in your area?	
10. How was that diversity reflected in the Service Unit administration support personnel?	
11. Indicate how the Service Unit maintained community contacts.	
12. Indicate how the Service Unit administrative personnel maintained communication with troops and girls registered individually.	
13. Indicate how the Service Unit contacts representatives from troops that are unable to attend Service Unit meetings.	
Did the Service Unit have all council required reports in on time? ___ June 15 (Annual Troop Financial Reports from 80% of troops in the Service Unit) ___ August 31 (Service Team Roster) ___ October 31 (Service Unit Leader Roster) ___ November 15 (Waiting List for the Service Unit) ___ November 15 (Troop Meeting Site Review Forms for new troops and troops changing meeting sites) ___ December 10 (Service Unit Financial Report)	