

MEMBERSHIP CONNECTION COMMITTEE

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Membership Connections Committee (MCC). The details below provide an explanation of both the qualities we seek in our members as well as the commitment our members make in support of the Girl Scouting movement in Colorado. We provide feedback and insight from around the state on how to make it easy, meaningful and fun for girls and volunteers to grow as leaders.

What does the MCC do?

The MCC is the representative body for Girl Scouts of Colorado. Our role is to connect the members of Girl Scouts of Colorado with its decision-makers, the Board of Directors and senior staff. As the centerpiece of GSCO's democratic process, the MCC includes membership from across Colorado. We act as a conduit between GSCO membership and the Board of Directors and senior staff by accepting questions and input from members, passing on appropriate information, receiving reports from GSCO and, most importantly, sharing information with the membership. Lastly we share insight on nominees to the Board of Directors. Our goal is to ensure that all volunteers have a proactive role in influencing the direction of Girl Scouting in Colorado. The MCC meets twice per year in person and has monthly conference calls to ensure regular opportunities for two way communication.

Qualifications and Core Competencies:

- Present a positive image of Girl Scouting to girls, volunteers and community members
- Strategic thinker with an open mind and positive, forward-thinking attitude
- Appreciation of an ability to work with diverse people across the state for the benefit of the council as a whole
- The MCC's membership should include diversity of age, experience, geographic orientation (rural, suburban, and urban), race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, physical and developmental abilities, and personal and family characteristics
- Values volunteerism
- Honest and clear communication style
- Collaboration skills
- Commitment to advancing the Girl Scout mission
- Be an active Colorado Girl Scout 14 years of age or older with a minimum of 4 years of Girl Scout experience, or an adult with previous MCC membership or a minimum of one year of adult Girl Scout experience in Colorado.

Expectations:

- Accept the principles, beliefs, and mission of Girl Scouting, and its statements of values found in the Girl Scout Promise and Law
- Register as a member of Girl Scouts of the USA annually
- Make a sincere effort to understand cultural, social, and economic diversity within our state and your community that might affect Girl Scouting and its mission
- Participate in at least 75% of MCC meetings (in person and monthly conference calls)
- Participate in at least one MCC subcommittee and attend 75% of the sessions each year
- Participate in annual Council sponsored training events (ie Fallapalooza or mini-paloozas)
- Attend local Council sponsored events such as award events, service unit events and fundraiser activities in addition to MCC meetings

- Act as a communication conduit between the membership, including membership in your local community, and the Board of Directors
- Be willing to make an annual financial contribution to the Girl Scouts of Colorado at a level that is comfortable for the MCC member. *Note: MCC is a board level committee. 100% annual giving by board members is a prerequisite for consideration of a gift by many donors, including foundations and corporations.*
- Annually complete the GSCO and MCC policies, as appropriate, including background check, conflict of interest and annual commitment