

Troop Support Volunteer Position Description

Summary: Running a Girl Scout troop requires the involvement of parent/guardians, additional family members or other community members. Troop Support volunteers assist with the troop in various ways depending on the needs of the troop leadership team. Adults that attend three or more troop meetings or events should register as a Troop Support Volunteer and complete a criminal background check.

Expected Commitment: Varies, based on the role/activity the volunteer is assisting with. Typically one to two hours per month, one-year term of appointment (October–September) renewed annually online.

Training Required: Troop Support Volunteer Learning Path (self-paced on gsLearn). Other training including program level enrichments and event/task specific training is available and encouraged. Additional training may be required for troop travel, outdoor experiences, and/or product program participation.

Supported: This position reports to the Troop Leadership Team and receives support, guidance, and encouragement from GSCO Volunteer Support Specialist/Membership Specialist in collaboration with local service unit volunteers.

Responsibilities:

- Follow and model the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
- Embrace the Girl Scout mission through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.
- Conduct all troop activities safely by adhering to Girl Scout Safety Activity Checkpoints and Volunteer Essentials procedures.
- Help plan or coordinate troop meetings and activities as needed.
- Serve as a field trip chaperone.
- Support participation in Girl Scout Product Programs.
- Support other troop activities as determined by the troop leadership team.

Qualifications/ Core Competencies:

- Girl focus: Empower girls to lead activities, learn by doing, and cooperate with others on current issues that involve their interests and needs, while having fun.
- Personal integrity: Demonstrate dependability, honesty, and credibility.
- Adaptability: Adjust, modify own behavior, and remain flexible and tolerant in response to changing situations and environments.
- Communication: Convey both written and oral communication in a clear, understandable, and appropriate manner keeping in mind the intended audience.
- Fostering diversity: Understand, reflect, and embrace differences.

Other requirements include:

- Become a registered member of GSUSA and successfully complete the council's intake process, which includes a criminal background check.
- Complete required position-related training coursework as assigned and provided by GSCO.