

# Adult Awards & Recognitions



Every day, Girl Scout volunteers like you help give girls the tools to lead, break barriers and create positive change.

Thank  
You!

Without your commitment to unleashing the **G.I.R.L.** (**go-getter**, **innovator**, **risk-taker**, **leader**)™ in every girl, we would not be the largest girls' leadership organization in the world. But we are—thanks to you.

These awards and recognitions are a great way to pay tribute to our volunteers and community partners. Volunteers can be nominated for awards and recognitions by the council or by their peers.

*All candidates should be registered members and have completed the appropriate training. Requirements are listed in this publication.*




**Nominations are  
due online by  
June 1 each year.**

Awards and recognitions are reviewed by a volunteer committee and presented at the council's Annual Meeting in January.

If you have any questions about adult awards recognitions, contact [kellym@gsgcf.org](mailto:kellym@gsgcf.org).

# Thank You!

We encourage you to nominate council volunteers for their wonderful accomplishments and we thank you for those efforts ahead of time. All nominations are to be completed online at [www.gsgcf.org](http://www.gsgcf.org). Click on "Forms," then "Adult Awards." Then, choose the corresponding nomination form.

Recognition	Who to Consider	Criteria	Nomination Procedure
<b>Volunteer of Excellence</b> 	<p>The Volunteer of Excellence Award recognizes volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience through the use of the National Program Portfolio, or who have contributed outstanding service in support of the council's mission delivery to girl and adult members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominee is an active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing and has successfully completed a term of service and all requirements for the position.</li> <li>The nominee has performed beyond expectations for the position to deliver the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to girls using the National Program Portfolio or has gone beyond the expectations of the position and has supported the council's mission-delivery goals in one or more of the following functional areas: Membership Development/Community Cultivation, Volunteer Relations and Support, Program, Leadership and Governance, Fund Development, and Council Support Service.</li> <li>The nominee is a leader and serves in an additional volunteer role for the service unit or council.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>
<b>Appreciation Pin</b> 	<p>The Appreciation Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. This service, which has had measurable impact on at least one service unit, contributes to expanding the council reach and surpassing its mission-delivery goals for that area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominee is an active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing.</li> <li>The service performed by the nominee is above and beyond the expectations for the position held and has made an impact on at least <b>one service unit</b> within the council's jurisdiction.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>
<b>Honor Pin</b> 	<p>The Honor Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, which has had measurable impact on two or more service units, contributing to the goals of the council to reach and surpass its mission-delivery goals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominee is an active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing.</li> <li>The service performed by the nominee is above and beyond the expectations for the position held and has made an impact on <b>two or more service units</b> within the council's jurisdiction.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>

**Remember:** Recognition doesn't always have to be in the form of an award. Join us in saying "thank you" to as many volunteers as you can who deliver the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to girls and young women across Florida's Gulf Coast.

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<b>Thanks Badge</b> 	<p>The Thanks Badge honors an individual whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting the mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout Movement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominee is an active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing.</li> <li>The outstanding service performed by the nominee resulted in outcomes that benefited the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization and is so significantly above and beyond the call of duty that no other award would be appropriate.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>
<b>Thanks Badge II</b> 	<p>The Thanks Badge II honors a previous Thanks Badge recipient who has continued to provide exemplary service in a leadership role, resulting in a measurable impact that benefits the entire Girl Scout Movement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominee is an active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing.</li> <li>The nominee has received the Thanks Badge.</li> <li>The outstanding service performed by the nominee resulted in outcomes that benefited the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization and is so significantly above and beyond the call of duty that no other award would be appropriate.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>
<b>Membership Numerals and Years of Service Pins</b> 	<p>These two appreciation pins are earned recognitions by volunteers. These pins are available in five-year intervals. For those who receive a 20-year or higher pin, GSGCF will award these pins at the council's annual meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>membership numerals</b> recognize the individual for combined years of membership both as a girl and adult member.</li> <li>The <b>years of service pin</b> recognizes years of volunteer service given as a registered adult member only.</li> </ul>	<p>These recognitions do not require endorsement. The volunteer wishing to receive the pins contacts their service unit award chairperson, who submits the request form to council with others in the service unit.</p>
<b>Green Angel Award</b>	<p>The Green Angel Award recognizes a volunteer's consistent outstanding support to Girl Scouting, girls and the council. Recipients will receive a pin recognizing their contribution. This award is unique to Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The volunteer has given consistent support to girls and the council.</li> <li>Typically, one award is given for each of the council's service units.</li> <li>This individual is the "MVP" of the service unit who has been the backbone of the service unit during the membership year. If the individual within the service unit who embodies this role already has this award, then none are awarded for that service unit that year.</li> </ul>	<p>A nomination form is completed and submitted online, indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.</p>



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## Nominate a volunteer today!

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These awards are national awards for service to the council or organization overall. Volunteers who hold service unit or council volunteer positions typically meet these requirements. For information on troop leader awards, contact [customer care@gsgcf.org](mailto:customer care@gsgcf.org) to be connected to your troop's service unit awards chairperson.

## Nomination submissions should include:

- Name of nominee (award recipient) and their current position in Girl Scouting
- Title of adult award or recognition
- How the nominator knows the nominee
- An explanation of how the nominee has met the level of service required to receive the specific award
- Examples of the nominee's performance which explain how the service was beyond what others in the same position have done
- An explanation of how the nominee's contribution has benefited Girl Scouting
- Name of nominator (person submitting), phone, and email

## FAQs

### Who can nominate for an award?

Anyone can, including parents, girls, volunteers, council staff and members of the community. The person who nominates a volunteer needs to know the award criteria and how the volunteer has impacted Girl Scouts or the community.

### When and where are awards given to volunteers?

Volunteers are recognized in front of their peers at the council's Annual Meeting in January.

### Who can receive an award?

Any active, registered adult Girl Scout in good standing. Any volunteer receiving an award must be following the council's policies and guidelines. As an award recipient, they are being held up as a role model. Good standing status means that the volunteer has met all eligibility for being an appointed volunteer including being a registered member and having a current background check (if their role requires one).

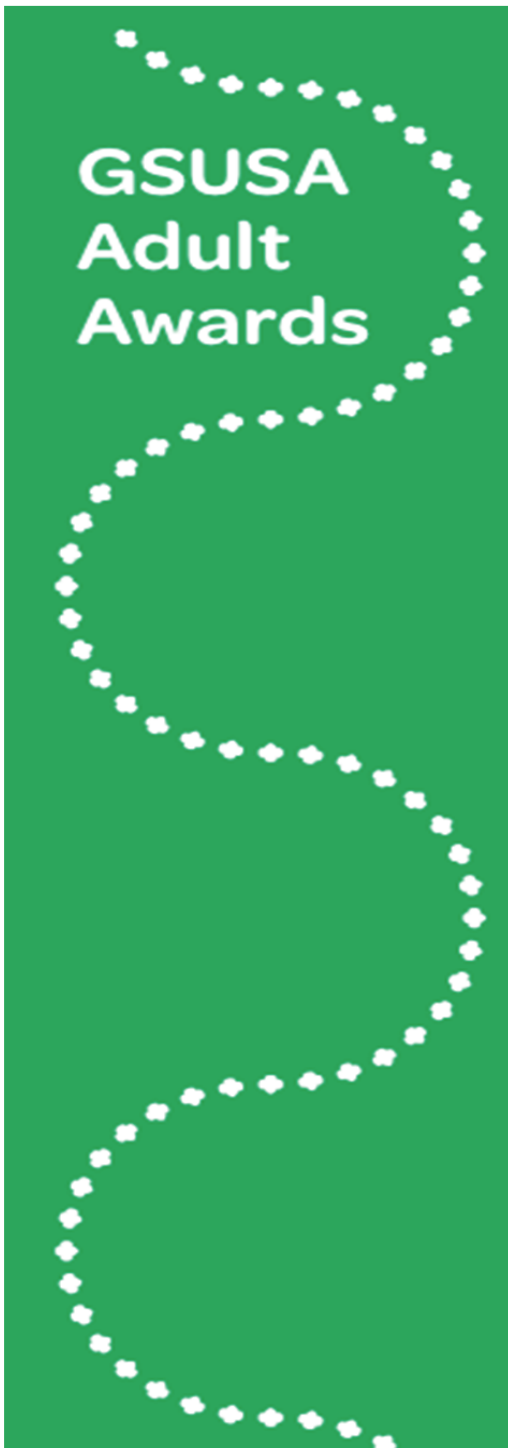
### Who reviews award nominations?

A volunteer selection committee with representation from across the council reviews the nominations and makes decisions based on how the information presented fits the criteria for the award. Volunteers who hold service unit or council volunteer positions typically meet these requirements. For information on troop leader awards, contact [customer care@gsgcf.org](mailto:customer care@gsgcf.org) to be connected to your troop's service unit awards chairperson.



# Presidents Award

## Nomination for President's Award



### Description:

The President's Award recognizes the efforts of a service-delivery team or committee whose exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience surpassed team goals and resulted in significant, measurable impact toward reaching the council's overall goals.

### Criteria:

- All service-team members are registered Girl Scouts.
- All service-team members have met all requirements and expectations of the positions held.
- The service-delivery team has contributed to meeting one or more of the council's mission-delivery goals.
- The service-delivery team reflects the diversity of the target audience or area it serves, in girl and adult membership, in all pathways offered.
- The service-delivery team actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior.

