



## **Girl Scouts of the USA Adult Recognition Thanks Badge Award Nomination Guidelines**

### **Description**

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.

### **Criteria**

The nominee is an active, registered Girl Scout volunteer.

The outstanding service performed by the nominee resulted in outcomes that benefitted 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.

The service has been done during the time frame of: March 2023 – March 1, 2024

### **Nomination**

A nomination form is completed online by March 15. Forms should detail measurable, supporting documentation indicating how the nominee meets criteria. The GSCI recognition committee sends notification of all award recipients to service unit manager and campaign manager by April 6. While the service unit will recognize all award honorees at their volunteer celebration, Thanks Badge honorees will be invited to the GSCI United We Lead event, held in the summer.

### **Example of nominee**

A volunteer saw an opportunity to use Journeys to increase membership in one of the council's target markets through the camp pathway. She helped the council partner with local companies and groups to provide in-kind, financial, and volunteer support to build a Take-Action Tree House at each camp. She led a task group of girls to design and develop progressive programming, based on girl-led processes and Journey content, which culminated in take-action projects. The three-year project brought in 300 new Girl Scouts, a 5 percent overall increase in camp registrations the following year, 90 new volunteers, and new partnerships with 11 local organizations.

Nominations link:

**Questions?** Contact [Meg Booth](#), Sr. Director of Volunteer Experience or 317.924.6839

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