

Adult Awards

KNOW AN **OUTSTANDING** Girl Scout Volunteer?
 We have an **award** for that!

Among our volunteers, we have many that not only excel at their volunteer role, but go above and beyond the call of duty in service to Girl Scouts—Dakota Horizons. For these volunteers, there is a special award process for their outstanding service. Volunteers can be nominated by their girls, parents, staff or fellow volunteers for a variety of awards offered through Girl Scouting.

Nomination Deadline
February 1

District Awards

District Awards recognize outstanding service in Girl Scouting at the regional level. These award are given based on performance, as well as peer and staff feedback.

<p>Leading the Way Award</p> <p>To recognize a volunteer whose outstanding service is inspiring to those around them and an example of an ideal Girl Scout volunteer.</p> <p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times YES</p>	<p>The “Do-Dad” Award</p> <p>To recognize dads who have provided outstanding service to Girl Scouts.</p> <p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times YES</p>
<p>Rising Star Award</p> <p>To recognize a first year volunteer who has fully embraced the Girl Scouting movement with energy and passion and has performed outstanding work their first year.</p> <p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>	<p>The Unsung Hero Award</p> <p>To recognize an indirect volunteer who provides excellent service and makes things happen for Girl Scouts behind the scenes.</p> <p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>
<p>The Trefoil Award</p> <p>To recognize a group or organization in the community that has been consistently supportive of Girl Scouting.</p> <p>Number Available 1 PER DISTRICT</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>	

Requirements for District Awards include a nomination form and 2 letters of endorsement from fellow volunteers, parents, girls or GSDH staff.

There's more! 

Council Awards

Council Awards have increased requirements compared to District Awards and require a higher level of service. These awards are also available to all adult volunteers through the council and are not based on a region.

<p>Global Voice Award</p> <p>To recognize a volunteer who has gone above and beyond to include diverse members of their community in Girl Scouting.</p>	<p>Number Available 1</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>	<p>The Heritage Award</p> <p>To recognize a volunteer who honors Girl Scout traditions and history while embracing the interests of girls today.</p>	<p>Number Available 1</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>
<p>The Firestarter Award</p> <p>To recognize a first year volunteer who has fully embraced the Girl Scouting movement with energy and passion and has performed outstanding work their first year.</p>	<p>Number Available 1</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>	<p>The Centennial Award</p> <p>To recognize a lifetime of achievement by a Girl Scout volunteer. This award demonstrates a volunteer who has gone above and beyond the call of duty for an extended period of time.</p>	<p>Number Available 1</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>

Requirements for Council Awards include a nomination form and 2 letters of endorsement from fellow volunteers, parents, or girls and 1 letter of endorsement from GSDH staff. Years of service are also required and vary by award. Council Awards require GSDH Board approval.

GSUSA Awards

GSUSA National Awards are the highest Adult Awards that can be earned in Girl Scouting. The criteria is set by GSUSA and are awarded for service that is above and beyond the expected position of a volunteer and no other award would be appropriate.

<p>Volunteer of Excellence</p> <p>Recognizes volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) through 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>	<p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times YES</p>	<p>Appreciation Pin</p> <p>Recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE). This service, which had measurable impact on one service area, helps the council reach and surpass its mission-delivery goals for that area.</p>	<p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times YES</p>
<p>Honor Pin</p> <p>Recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE), which has had measurable impact on two or more service areas, allowing the council to reach and surpass its mission delivery goals.</p>	<p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times YES</p>	<p>Thanks Badge*</p> <p>Honors an individual whose ongoing commitment, leadership and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout movement.</p>	<p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>
<p>Thanks Badge II*</p> <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>	<p>Number Available UNLIMITED</p> <p>Awarded Multiple Times NO</p>		

Requirements for GSUSA Awards include a nomination form and 2-4 letters of endorsement from fellow volunteers, parents, or girls and 1-2 letters of endorsement from GSDH staff. Years of service are also required and vary by award.