

## Adult Recognitions in Girl Scouting

(GSUSA and GSRI Official Recognitions)

	Recognition	Criteria	Application Process	Approval Process
<b>EARNED RECOGNITIONS – varied approval process and presentation.</b>	Membership Numerals/ Milestones of Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of years (girl and adult) as a Girl Scout <u>member</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-nomination after you accrue 5 or more years as a Girl Scout <u>member</u>. (see March or April issue of <i>the flash</i>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-45 years notify your service team. 50 years and up, notify the Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Ruth Haslegrave Membership Milestones Award (special recognition <i>NEW</i> in 2004)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>75 years or more of service to Girl Scouting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-nomination or recommendation from volunteers or staff.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognition Committee and Board of Directors.</li> </ul>
	Volunteer Years of Service Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of years of <u>service</u> as a volunteer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-nomination after you accrue 5 or more years as a Girl Scout volunteer.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-10 years, notify your service team. 15 years and up, notify the Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Leadership Development Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed 1 year as leader, assistant or group leader;</li> <li>Completed Basic Leadership Training, First Aid training and Troop Camp training;</li> <li>Participated in two group meetings beyond the troop.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For application form, see below.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by the Training Dept. and notify Recognition Committee</li> </ul>
	Leadership Development Leaves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For recipients of the Leadership Development pin who have completed additional training of <u>ten hours or more in one subject area</u>. Training must benefit the nominee's skills and ability as a troop leader.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For application form, see below.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by the Training Dept. and notify Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
<b>EARNED RECOGNITIONS – approved by Training Department as indicated.</b>	Trainer's Pin (3 levels: Apprentice Experienced Master)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For the council-appointed adult who has completed specific training and actively participated in delivery of council training program.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Through the Training Department.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval from the Training Department.</li> </ul>
	Instructor of Trainers Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarded directly by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worn only by currently certified GSUSA instructors of trainers (a two-year education, practicum review process).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval from the Training Department of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.</li> </ul>
<b>EARNED RECOGNITION</b>	Outgoing President's Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarded to the council presidents.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upon the conclusion of her/his final term of office.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by the board of directors.</li> </ul>

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<b>HONORARY AWARDS – approved by the Recognitions Committee and presented in the service unit.</b>	Outstanding Leader Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service as a Girl Scout Leader.</li> <li>Full criteria listed on application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>Submit application.*</li> <li><u>2</u> individuals in troop or members of their families write endorsement statement and send to Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Outstanding Volunteer Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service as a Girl Scout adult volunteer (other than leader).</li> <li>Full criteria listed on application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>Submit application.*</li> <li><u>2</u> individuals or groups familiar with the candidate's performance write endorsement statements and send to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Kit Hammett Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service exceeds expectations in 2 or more positions for at least 2 years.</li> <li>Full criteria listed on application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>Submit application.*</li> <li><u>2</u> individuals or groups familiar with the candidate's performance write endorsement statements and send to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Military Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service by a military adult who has served as a volunteer for the Girl Scouts of Rhode Island.</li> <li>Full criteria listed on application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>Submit application by the service unit (service team/leader) to Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Green Angel Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service by a registered adult who has worked directly with the troop for at least two years (other than the leader or assistant leader).</li> <li>Full criteria listed on application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>Submit application by the leader or troop members.*</li> <li><u>2</u> individuals or groups familiar with the candidate's performance write endorsement statements and send to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
<b>HONORARY AWARDS – approved by the board of directors and presented at the council level.</b>	Appreciation Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service beyond the expectations of the position. Service benefits one or more service units and contributes to the council goals.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li><u>2</u> letters of endorsement and one nominating form submitted to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee and recommended to the board of directors for its final approval.</li> </ul>
	Honor Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service beyond the expectations of the position. Service benefits two or more service units or the entire council.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li><u>3</u> letters of endorsement and one nominating form must be submitted to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee and recommended to the board of directors for its final approval.</li> </ul>

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<b>HONORARY AWARDS cont. – approved by the board of directors and presented at the council level.</b>	Thanks Badge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For truly outstanding service which benefits the entire council or the Girl Scout organization as a whole. The service must be so significantly above and beyond the call of duty that no other award would be appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>4 letters of endorsement and one nomination form must be submitted to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee and recommended to the board of directors for its final approval.</li> </ul>
	Thanks Badge II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For recipients of the Thanks badge whose <u>continued</u> service merits further recognition. Service must meet all of the criteria for the Thanks Badge as outlined above.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application.*</li> <li>4 letters of endorsement and one nomination form must be submitted to the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by Recognition Committee and recommended to the board of directors for its final approval.</li> </ul>
<b>HONORARY AWARD</b>	Mira Hoffman Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding contributions to the work of the council and exemplifies the finest spirit of Girl Scouting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Preliminary Application to the council president via the Recognition Committee.*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by the council president.</li> </ul>
<b>Award approved by the board of directors &amp; presented at the council level.</b>	President's Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For outstanding service by the volunteers in a service unit in achieving their goals and objectives.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submitted by the field director and the service unit manager to the Recognition Committee. See field director for the proper form.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended by the Recognition Committee approved by the board of directors.</li> </ul>
<b>Episodic Volunteers</b>	Community Participation Thank You Letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A one-time or one-day service for the council or GSUSA. Completed required learning experiences.</li> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Written description of volunteer service.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by GSRI staff and notify Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Citizenship in Girl Scouting Certificate for each round of service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Returns for a second or third round of service. Provides support through two or three short-term assignments for the council or GSUSA.</li> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Written description of volunteer service.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by GSRI staff and notify Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Social Responsibility in Girl Scouting Volunteer Service Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides a fourth round of service to the council or GSUSA. After every four rounds of volunteering, volunteer receives a Volunteer Service Pin I, II or III.</li> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Written description of volunteer service.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by GSRI staff and notify Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>

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<b>Progressive Volunteers</b> - Cannot be grandfathered in, effective 2003. - Involved on continuous basis - Managed by Council President and/or CEO (or AED)	Stage 1: The Girl Scout Volunteer Achievement Award  Volunteer Development Pin with chain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> <li>First successful volunteer service completion on a board committee or on a task group assignment. First experience of troop or group leadership, service unit management or service to GSUSA for one year.</li> <li>All to have completed required training and have been appointed and have agreed to return for another year.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit application to Recognition Committee.*</li> <li>Requires signature by Council President or member of Executive Committee prior to approval.</li> <li>Submit by CEO or AED Girl &amp; Adult Services or designee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by President, CEO and/or AED.</li> <li>Authorized by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Stage 2: The Girl Scout Mentoring Award  White Key added to Development Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> <li>Gained sufficient skills/ experience.</li> <li>Become a coach or mentor for a new volunteer, provide ongoing support resulting in retention of a new volunteer. Protégé nominates mentor.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit application to Recognition Committee.*</li> <li>Requires signature by Council President or member of Executive Committee prior to approval.</li> <li>Submit by CEO or AED Girl &amp; Adult Services or designee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by President, CEO and/or AED.</li> <li>Authorized by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Stage 3: The Girl Scout Volunteer Executive Award  Black key added to Development Pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered Girl Scout adult.</li> <li>Council or national level leadership role. Made significant contributions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit application to Recognition Committee.*</li> <li>Requires signature by Council President or member of Executive Committee prior to approval.</li> <li>Submit by CEO or AED Girl &amp; Adult Services or designee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval by President, CEO and/or AED.</li> <li>Authorized by Recognition Committee.</li> </ul>
	Additional Stages to be developed			
<b>Other Girl Scout Adult Recognitions</b>	Special Supporter Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To honor a group or individual who has supported Girl Scouting in the community within the council jurisdiction.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended by a group or individual to the Recognition Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended by the committee to board of directors for final decision.</li> </ul>
	Award Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An all-purpose recognition suitable for "service of exceptional quality" from an individual or a group.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommended to the Recognition Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>same as the Special Support Certificate</li> </ul>
	Lifetime Membership pin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For any adult who is a lifetime member of GS of the U.S.A.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May be purchased by the member or given as a gift.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership card from GS of the USA.</li> </ul>
	Religious Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See "Girl Scouting and the Religious Community" or call the Religious Award Task Group.</li> </ul>		

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