

# Girl Scouts: Serving Families Where They Serve

For families on the move, Girl Scouts is a constant, allowing her to pick up right where she left off: benefiting from the **single best leadership development experience** for girls in the world.

As a military family, you may be no stranger to relocating—and you can rest assured **Girl Scouts** is along for the ride, every time. No matter where in the country or world your service takes you, we're at the ready with tried-and-true programming and a supportive sisterhood that allows girls to continue their unique leadership journeys, build new friendships, and enjoy a reliable, safe space of their own.

Based on time-tested methods and research-backed programming, our second-to-none Girl Scout Leadership Experience helps girls take the lead in their own lives and in the world as they:

-  **Develop a strong sense of self.**
-  **Display positive values.**
-  **Seek challenges and learn from setbacks.**
-  **Form and maintain healthy relationships.**
-  **Identify and solve problems in the community.**

Guided by supportive adult volunteers—including at military outposts from Brazil to Beijing—Girl Scouts try new things, hone a range of skills, and are free to just be themselves. They develop and unleash their full leadership potential through age-appropriate experiences that enable them to discover their passions, connect with others in a multicultural environment, and take action to help others.

## Did you know?

Girl Scouts fuels the female leadership pipeline.



**50%**  
OF FEMALE  
BUSINESS LEADERS



**72%**  
OF FEMALE  
U.S. SENATORS



**100%**  
OF FEMALE  
U.S. SECRETARIES  
OF STATE

...WERE GIRL SCOUTS.

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# Girl Scouts takes the potential of girls, combines it with robust skill-building programming, and adds caring adult mentors and strong female role models.

## Our Program

Everything a Girl Scout does centers around STEM, the outdoors, development of life skills, and entrepreneurship, and is designed to meet her where she is now and to grow along with her.



**STEM** Computer science, engineering, robotics, outdoor STEM, and more



**OUTDOORS** Adventure and skill building, including through camping experiences for all age levels, from the backyard to the backcountry



**LIFE SKILLS** Civic engagement, healthy living, global citizenship, and communication skills, to name a few



**ENTREPRENEURSHIP** The Girl Scout Cookie Program—the largest girl-led business in the world—teaches girls goal setting, decision making, money management, business ethics, and people skills.

## USA Girl Scouts Overseas (Girl Scouts moves with her!)

Is your family's service taking you outside the U.S.? Through [USA Girl Scouts Overseas](#), Girl Scouting is available to girls in military, foreign service, and American expat families and to girls at international schools around the world. An operating unit of Girl Scouts of the USA, USA Girl Scouts Overseas provides a sense of security and stability as families transition to new locations, allowing members to continue their Girl Scout journeys as they build new friendships and learn about other cultures—wherever they go.

## The Volunteer Value

No matter your location, [volunteering with Girl Scouts](#) is a great way to connect with your community and make a meaningful difference in girls' lives—and to support girls as they make a difference in the world! From leading a Girl Scout troop to helping out with cookie sales and events, volunteers have many opportunities to join in the fun of Girl Scouting. Whether you can give a few hours, weeks, months, or more (participation is flexible!), as a Girl Scout volunteer you'll strengthen your leadership skills, earn community service hours, and set girls up for a lifetime of leadership, adventure, and success.



The [Girl Scout Gold Award](#) is the most highly regarded award for girls. It's the mark of the truly remarkable, presenting older Girl Scouts around the world with a one-of-a-kind opportunity to put their leadership skills to the test as they tackle community issues they feel passionately about. It's a distinction that can open their worlds up to scholarships, preferred admission tracks for college, and amazing career opportunities. Another bonus: Gold Award Girl Scouts are entitled to enlist at a higher pay grade if they join the military.

Gold Award Girl Scouts at (non-federally funded) military campuses are invited to wear the Gold Award Girl Scout Military Recognition Ribbon on their uniforms in acknowledgment of their impact: meaningful, sustainable solutions to challenges in their communities and world.

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