

Girl Scouts Potential Dues Increase

FAQ

Why is GSUSA proposing dues increase?

GSUSA is proposing a dues increase to address rising costs that they have absorbed for councils over the past eight years, particularly around technology. After months of gathering input from local councils and delegates, the National Board determined that increasing dues is necessary to sustain and support for current and future members while continuing to invest in the Movement.

Is the Movement in danger?

In the proposal, GSUSA states that staying at our current \$25 membership dues will require dramatic cuts in services, passing technology costs on to councils, decreasing marketing investments, and delaying system upgrades. The dues opportunity that our National Council will consider is important because it will help us continue to deliver the quality programming Girl Scouts need, and families expect, at a national level.

Our movement is nearly 2 million Girl Scouts strong, including over 10,000 from USA Girl Scouts Overseas. We are all united in our commitment to attracting and retaining youth and adults, ensuring the public understands the value of Girl Scouting. Together, we're engaging and serving more girls, families, and volunteers who help make the world a better place.

How will delegates vote?

Delegates will cast their votes at the Special 57th National Council Session after extensive preparation, including proposal reviews and understanding parliamentary procedures. During the session, they will participate in informed and respectful debates, ensuring that decisions reflect the values of the Girl Scout Law and Promise while shaping the future of our movement.

Who are our NCS delegates?

National Council Session Delegates apply and are elected by USAGSO's Delegate Council and include older girls and adults from across our council. NCS Delegates are informed but not instructed on how to vote.

What financial resources are available to members and future members?

Our priority is to make sure every member—and future members— can participate fully in Girl Scouts. We currently offer a variety of financial resources and assistance programs to include financial assistance towards membership dues, uniform components, program supplies, and camperships.