Descriptions of Adult Recognition Awards

Service Unit Adult Awards

Each Service Unit Awards Committee is charged with setting the deadline dates and presenting these awards at a Service Unit Event. Please use the appropriate forms and include letters of recommendation as required. Include as much information about the applicant to make the review of the application easier to process.

Trained Volunteer Pin

This pin is a recognition earned by an active registered adult volunteer who has completed the required training courses and participated in at least two meetings or events beyond the troop level.

Leaves for Volunteer Pin

Leaves can be earned for this pin when additional enrichments trainings are completed (see recognition of additional training on the guidelines for Trained Volunteer Pin page).

Years of Service Pin

This pin is given to adults in Girl Scouting in recognition of years of service at five-year intervals. Service Units recognize those individuals receiving 5, 10, 15, etc., year pins. Please submit the self-reporting form to your service unit manager. It can be found at the end of this booklet or on the GSMIDTN website.

Years of Membership Pin

The numerals show the total number of years of registered membership, both a as a girl and an adult, in any Girl Scout/Girl Guide organization. Numeral Guards are attached to the membership pins. The five-year numeral guard replaces five membership stars; a ten-year guard replaces ten membership stars, etc. Numeral Guards are available in increments of 5 years. Please submit the self-reporting form to your service unit manager. It can be found at the end of the Adult Awards Booklet or on the GSMIDTN website.



Green Angel or Green Knight Poem and Certificate

Presented to registered Girl Scout leaders, co-leaders, Fall Product/Cookie Chair Service Team members at the end of their first year of service.







Green Angel or Green Knight Pin

Presented to registered Girl Scout leaders, co-leaders, Fall Product/Cookie Chair Service Team members at the end of their second year of service.



Presented to registered Girl Scout leaders, co-leaders, Fall Product/Cookie Chair Service Team members at the end of their third year of service.

Outstanding Volunteer Award

This award is given only once to an adult in a position other than a troop leader for service to a geographic area or program delivery audience that is beyond the expectations for the position.

Outstanding Leader Award

This award is given only once to recognize outstanding troop leadership in the delivery of Girl Scout program to girls, meriting recognition by geographic/service team.

Volunteer of Excellence

The Volunteer of Excellence Award recognizes those volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience 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.

Rookie of the Year Certificate

The Rookie of the Year recognizes the time, effort, and dedication put forth by leaders and/or assistant leaders during their first year of service.











Council Awards

Appreciation Pin

This pin is given only once to recognize outstanding service to a geographic area or program delivery audience that furthers the council's goals. The Appreciation Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. This service, which has had measurable impact on one geographic area of service, helps reach and surpass the mission-delivery goals of the area.

Honor Pin

This award is given only once to recognize outstanding service to two or more geographic areas or program delivery audiences. The Honor Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, which has had measurable impact on two or more geographic areas of service, allowing the council to reach and surpass its mission-delivery goals.

Thanks Badge

This award is given only once per year to recognize exceptional service that benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout movement. The Thanks Badge honors an individual whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting the missiondelivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout Movement.

Thanks Badge II

The Thanks Badge II – for Continuing Service – is similar to the Thanks Badge, but recognizes continued outstanding service given by a Thanks Badge recipient that benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout movement. The Thanks Badge II honors a previous Thanks Badge award recipient who has continued to provide exemplary service in a leadership role, resulting in a measurable impact that benefits the entire Girl Scout Movement.

President's Award

The President's Award recognizes the efforts of a service-delivery team or committee whose exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience surpassed team goals and resulted in significant, measurable impact toward reaching the council's overall goals. Please complete the application found at gsmidtn.org (search President's Award).









Guidelines for Trained Volunteer Pin

Trained Volunteer Pin is a recognition earned by an active registered adult volunteer who has completed the following criteria:

- Completed these training courses: New Leader Training, Youth Protection and Online Camp Skills Trainings
- Participated in at least two meetings or events beyond the troop level (service unit meeting, service unit event, or Council event).

Procedure:

- Submit the Trained Volunteer Pin Application to the service team member who confirms the record.
- Service unit manager or service team member submits Recipient Award Form to Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee, 4522 Granny White Pike, Nashville, TN, 37204, Attn: Volunteer Resource Manager or volunteerresources@gsmidtn.org at least two weeks prior to presentation.

Description:

The trained Volunteer Pin shows a tree on a blue and white background with a trefoil at the base of the tree. Leaves may be attached in recognition of enrichment trainings.

Recognition of Additional Training:

Volunteers are encouraged to take additional training that will increase their skills in working with the girls. Completion of "in depth" training will be recognized in the form of small green leaves which can be attached to the trained Volunteer Pin. Camping Skills, Volunteer Enrichment Weekend (VEW), and Adult Adventure Weekend (AAW) trainings will each qualify for one Green Leaf.

Each green leaf represents one course of study with a minimum of at least 10 contact hours of training. The course may be given by Girl Scouts (completing one of the green leaf tracks offered by your local service unit) at the local or national level, a college, another organization, or a community adult education group. This in-depth training tends to apply to a small percentage of leaders, therefore making it a more meaningful recognition.

After receiving five green leaves (each leaf represents 10 hours of training), the recipient may replace them with one silver leaf; five silver leaves may be replaced with one gold leaf.

To receive a green, silver or gold leaves submit the Leaves for Trained Volunteer Pin Application to the service team member who confirms the record. The service unit manager or service team member submits the Recipient Award Form to Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee, 4522 Granny White Pike, Nashville, 37204. Attn: Volunteer Resource Manager.