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## Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee Welcoming Girls for 2023 Membership Year

Nashville, TENN. – Nearly 2,000 girls in Davidson County have joined the network of more than 7,000 Girl Scouts in Middle Tennessee on a mission to make new friends, explore the outdoors, and build a better world.

"You can't teach character. You can't teach confidence. You can't teach courage. Those are things that happen from experience," said Agenia Clark, President and CEO of Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee. "Girl Scouts is an experience."

The Girl Scout experience in Middle Tennessee has multiple camp properties for troops to visit throughout the year and gives girls the opportunity to try outdoor adventure activities like archery, rock climbing, and zipline. Other times, Girl Scouts look toward their futures by mentoring younger girls, exploring career options, and gaining financial literacy skills through the Girl Scout Cookie Program.

"Whether it's building robots, discovering a new hiking trail, or planting a community garden, Girl Scouts are able to try new things and find their passions. Girl Scouts offers a space where they can be themselves and help their community," Regional Executive Sydney Finchum shares. "I am constantly in awe of the creativity and leadership skills of our members and volunteers."

"We are always looking for more adult volunteers to help Girl Scouts in exploring new interest, gaining leadership skills, and discovering the world around them," Regional Executive Taylor Hayes adds.

Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee is currently welcoming girls in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade to join, and financial assistance is available. If you are interested in joining, contact Sydney Finchum or Taylor Hayes at <a href="mailto:sydney8midtn.org">sydney8midtn.org</a>.

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Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee (GSMIDTN) serves more than 10,000 girls and 5,000 adults in 39 counties across Middle Tennessee. Together we are empowering girls and changing the world.

For more information on how you can be involved in Girl Scouts, visit <u>www.gsmidtn.org</u>.