

 **THE VOLUNTEER OF EXCELLENCE AWARD**

**NOMINATION and OUTLINE FOR A LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT**

# Procedure

Submit nomination and two (2) letters of endorsement to the Recognition Committee no later than four (4) weeks before the presentation date. To be recognized at The Annual Meeting submit by April 1st.

Name of nominating person: Phone: Mailing address:

Street City State Zip

Email:

# Nominee Information:

Name Phone: Address

Street City State Zip

Position title being recognized: Years in position

### Two (2) letters of endorsement should include:

1. Description of service by nominee directly related to the award, and in what respect (include results) that service was beyond what is required. Please be objective, giving specific facts and dates/time period.
2. How the nominee has implemented the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) through use of the national program portfolio.
3. How the nominee contributed outstanding service in support of the council’s mission delivery to girl and adult members. Service has increased or retained membership.
4. Endorsement letters requested from:
	1. Name: Position
	2. Name: Position

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Criteria for Selection

1. The candidate is a registered Girl Scout adult.
2. The candidate has completed appropriate training, or demonstrated competence for the job, or both.
3. Contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway.
4. Candidate has implemented the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) through use of the national program portfolio.
5. The candidate has performed at a level that exceeds the expectations of the position.
6. The candidate has retained or increased membership.

## Nomination and Approval Procedures

1. An individual or group familiar with the service performed by the candidate completes the application form and sends to the Recognition Committee for review.
2. Two individuals or groups familiar with the service performed by the candidate submit letters of endorsement to accompany the application form to the Recognition Committee.
3. The Recognition Committee reviews the application and letters of endorsement and sends to the nominating group a recommendation to approve or deny the nomination.

Potential candidates for the volunteer of Excellence Award could be the following:

* A volunteer (i.e. service team member) who has retained or increased adult and girl membership in areas identified in service unit goals to support the council goals.
* A troop leader who uses the national program portfolio to provide a well rounded program experience for girls and increases and retains girls in the troop.
* A person who has significantly increased Girl Scouting's positive image within a community through a wide variety of methods and media.
* An event director who has managed several successful events with increased use of girl planning and involvement.

## Form of Recognition



The Volunteer of Excellence Award is a silver pin. It is worn on the right side of the uniform, below the personalized identification pin, or on either side of the Years of Service pin. If an adult has received more than one special recognition, e.g., Appreciation pin or Honor pin, the last one received is generally the one worn on the uniform.