

GSGEC Adult Awards Guidelines 2008

Individual volunteers can be nominated for the Girl Scouts of the USA awards listed below. (See the nomination form in the forms section.) Anyone can nominate any adult for the following awards. The deadline for recognition nominations is Friday, February 29, 2008.

	Presented To	Criteria	Procedure
Outstanding Volunteer Award (GSUSA)	An adult in a position other than leader or co-leader or in addition to troop leader whose service benefits one geographic or program delivery unit in a way that is beyond the expectations for the position.	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult <input type="checkbox"/> Completed appropriate courses <input type="checkbox"/> Performance exceeds expectations for the position	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 1 letter of endorsement from girls in the troop/group or their family members <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for approval
Outstanding Leader Award (GSUSA)	A troop/group leader, co-leader or group coordinator whose performance in working with girls is outstanding.	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult <input type="checkbox"/> Completed appropriate courses <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates competence in girl-adult partnership, communication, membership development, pluralism and program delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Work with girls exceeds expectations	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 2 letters of endorsement from girls in the troop/group or their family members <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for approval
Appreciation Pin (GSUSA)	An adult who has delivered outstanding service to at least one geographic area, service unit, or program delivery audience.	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult <input type="checkbox"/> Provided outstanding service to a geographic area or program delivery audience in a way that furthers the council goals <input type="checkbox"/> Service goes beyond the expectations for the position	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 2 letters of endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for review <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors approval
Honor Pin (GSUSA)	An adult member who has delivered outstanding service to two or more geographic areas or program delivery audiences.	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult <input type="checkbox"/> Provided outstanding service to two or more geographic areas or program delivery audiences in a way that furthers the council goals <input type="checkbox"/> Service beyond the expectations for the position	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 2 letters of endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for review <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors approval
Thanks Badge (GSUSA)	An adult member whose performance is truly outstanding and benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout Movement	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Provided outstanding service that benefits the total council jurisdiction or the entire Girl Scout Movement <input type="checkbox"/> Service is significantly beyond expectations so that no other award is appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 3 letters of endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for review <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors approval

Thanks Badge II for Continuing Service (GSUSA)	An adult member who has already received the Thanks Badge but continues to contribute in extraordinary ways to benefit the entire council	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Girl Scout adult <input type="checkbox"/> Has received the Thanks Badge <input type="checkbox"/> Continues to perform at the same high level <input type="checkbox"/> Increased range of influence <input type="checkbox"/> Used skills and talent to move to another field of endeavor <input type="checkbox"/> Service benefits the entire council <input type="checkbox"/> Service is outstanding and beyond expectations	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 4 letters of endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to Adult Recognition Committee for review <input type="checkbox"/> Board of directors approval
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Progressive Volunteer Award (GSUSA)	An award designed to celebrate the new volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/> All nominees must be registered Girl Scout adults and:	For all stages: <input type="checkbox"/> Complete nomination form <input type="checkbox"/> 1 letter of endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Submit to the Adult Recognitions Committee for review
Stage 1 – Achievement Award	Stage 1 – Individual must have completed first experience in troop or group leadership, first experience as service unit volunteer or task group volunteer, or first year of service as board member. Must have completed one year of volunteerism, have completed required courses for position, and have agreed to return for another year.	Stage 1 – Award is Volunteer Development Pin with chain	
Stage 2 – Mentoring Award	Stage 2 – Individual has become a coach or mentor for a new volunteer or has provided ongoing support resulting in the retention of a new volunteer. Must be nominated by protégé.	Stage 2 – Award is a white key to attach to Volunteer Development Pin.	
Stage 3 – Girl Scout Volunteer Executive Award	Stage 3 – Individual has completed a council or national leadership role, making significant contributions to the Girl Scout Movement.	Stage 3 – Award is black key to attach to Volunteer Development Pin.	

2007 Adult Recognition Nomination/Endorsement Forms are available in the *Essentials of Girl Scouting*, or on the GSSEC website at www.gssec.org.