

Adult Recognitions At-A-Glance

An integral part of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience is the adult volunteer!

Please refer to www.gssne.org/en/members/adult-recognitions.html for all award criteria and online nomination forms.

All adult nominees MUST meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be an active, registered adult Girl Scout member in good standing with Council. **
- ✓ Completed all of the required training or the equivalent for their role.
- ✓ Service performed has been above and beyond expectations for their position.

** EXCEPTION: GSSNE Special Supporter Award

RECOGNITION	DESCRIPTION	REQUIREMENTS	HOW RECIPIENT IS RECOGNIZED
GSSNE's Special Supporter Award	Awarded to honor a group or individual who has shown outstanding support to Girl Scouts in a GSSNE community. The candidate need not be a registered member of GSSNE.	Length of Service: Any length Nominations: 1 No endorsements required	Service Unit Level
GSSNE's Rising Star Award	Recognizes a first- or second-year volunteer who hit the ground running and made an immediate and significant impact on Girl Scouts.	Length of Service: 6-18 months Nominations: 1 Endorsements: 1	Service Unit Level
GSSNE's Guiding Star Award	Recognizes a GSSNE volunteer who mentors other Girl Scout adults, supporting their growth and success.	Length of Service: 1-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 1	Service Unit Level
GSUSA's Appreciation Pin	Recognizes a volunteer for outstanding service in support of the GSLE to one service unit or geographic area and helps reach and surpass the mission-delivery goals of the area.	Length of Service: 1-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 2	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSUSA's Volunteer of Excellence Award	Recognizes volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in their troop or local community/service unit to deliver the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.	Length of Service: 1-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 2	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSSNE's Kit Hammett Award	Recognizes a volunteer who has held two or more positions with GSSNE for two or more years exceeding the expectations held, benefits one or more service units within council jurisdiction, and contributes to council goals and objectives.	Length of Service: 2-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 2	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSUSA's Honor Pin	Recognizes a volunteer's significant contributions to meeting one or more council goals in membership growth and retention, fund development, or increased community visibility in two or more geographic areas within council jurisdiction and supports the delivery of the Girl Scout Leadership experience (GSLE).	Length of Service: 3-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 3 Other: Previously received Appreciation Pin	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSSNE's Heritage Award	Recognizes a GSSNE volunteer's work to promote the history of Girl Scouts through artifact preservation, restoration, sharing and/or presenting the history of council and/or the entire Girl Scout movement.	Length of Service: 5-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 3	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSSNE's Mira Hoffman Award	Recognizes an unwavering commitment to the Girl Scout movement with a focus on the outdoor experience. The recipient has made outstanding contributions to the council's work and consistently displays the finest spirit of Girl Scouting.	Length of Service: 10-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 2	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSUSA's Thanks Badge	Recognizes a volunteer whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have had an exceptional measurable impact on meeting the mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout movement.	Length of Service: 5-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 4	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony

GSUSA's Thanks Badge II	Recognizes a volunteer who has previously received the Thanks Badge and has continued to contribute to the same high level for an extended period of time, or has increased their sphere of influence, or has used their skills to move into other fields of endeavor.	Length of Service: 8-year minimum Nomination: 1 Endorsements: 4	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSSNE's Hall of Fame Award	Award recipients are selected by GSSNE's CEO. The award recognizes a lifetime of commitment to the Girl Scout movement within the GSSNE Pathway. The recipient has supported GSSNE in a variety of ways including volunteering at the Service unit level, serving on a council board, task group or committee, and financially supporting GSSNE.	This award may be presented posthumously. Length of Service: 20-year minimum 1 nomination specifically by GSSNE's CEO	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony
GSUSA's Milestones of Membership	This pin recognizes the total number of girl and adult membership years; presented in 5-year increments.	Length of Service: 5-year minimum Nomination may be submitted by the candidate or a colleague, and qualification will be determined by the GSSNE Adult Recognition Committee.	5-45 years: Service Unit Level 50+ years: Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony
GSUSA's Years of Service Pin	This pin recognizes an adult volunteer for their years of active volunteer service to GSSNE; presented in 5-year increments.	Length of Service: 5-year minimum Nomination may be submitted by the candidate, or a colleague and qualification will be determined by the GSSNE Adult Recognition Committee.	5-15 years: Service Unit Level 20+ years: Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony
Ruth Haslegrave Award	The Ruth Haslegrave Milestones of Membership is a self-nominating award presented for 75 years of youth and adult membership with Girl Scouts of Southeastern New England.	Length of Service: 75-year minimum Nomination may be submitted by the candidate, or a colleague and qualification will be determined by the GSSNE Adult Recognition Committee.	Annual Meeting Dinner and Awards Ceremony

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