

2025

ANNUAL REPORT





ABOUT US

Pathway to Adventure Council, Scouting America delivers the nation's leading youth program for character development and values-based leadership training, serving more than **12,300 youth** from kindergarten through high school across Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana, spanning **1,600 square miles**. Over **5,000 adult volunteers** deliver Scouting's impactful programs to help young people be "Prepared. For Life.®" Last year, local Scouts and adult volunteers provided **109,873 hours of community service valued at \$3,514,000**. Our programs include Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Exploring, Sea Scouts, Restoring the Village, STEM in Scouting, and Soccer in Scouting.

MISSION STATEMENT - To prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

SCOUT OATH - On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

SCOUT LAW - A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



12,321
Youth Served



5,000
Adult Volunteers



109,873
Community
Service Hours



12,623
Merit Badges
Completed



2,773
New Cub Scouts



2,478
Girls in Scouting



314
Eagle Scouts



\$47,588
Provided in
Campership Aid



874
Exploring Youth



814
Soccer in Scouting
Youth



1,635
STEM in
Scouting Youth

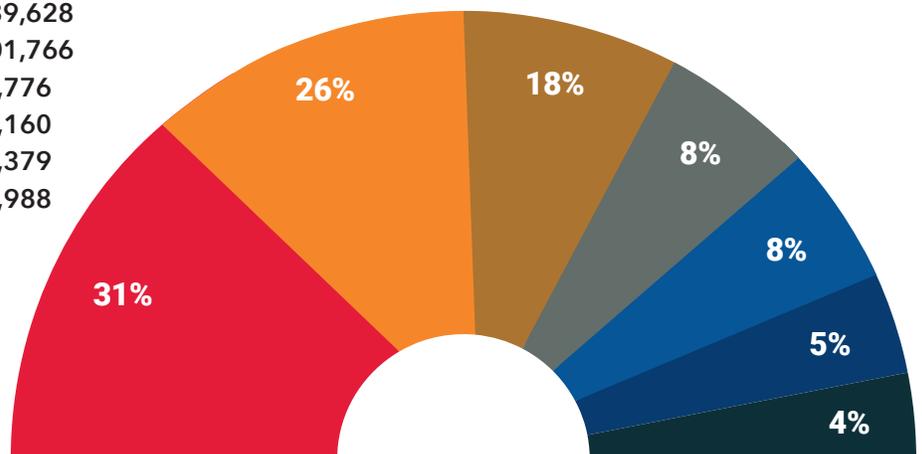


3,779
Youth Attended
PTAC Camps

HOW WE ARE FUNDED

*UNAUDITED DATA FROM 2025

31%	Camping & Activities	\$2,090,157
26%	Investment Income	\$1,739,628
18%	Special Events	\$1,201,766
8%	Popcorn	\$549,776
8%	Foundations & Trusts	\$506,160
5%	Other Revenue	\$375,379
4%	Invest in Character	\$247,988



ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS



CUB SCOUTS For grades K-5, Cub Scouts is a program where youth develop the foundations for leadership, citizenship, and personal fitness through fun activities. Activities include exploring the outdoors, service projects, making friends, and developing a love of learning!



SCOUTS BSA For ages 11-17, Scouts BSA is where youth develop outdoor skills, self-confidence, and ethics through youth-planned activities focused in service, community engagement, and leadership. Scouts earn merit badges and work towards Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout.



VENTURING For ages 14-20, Venturing is a youth-led program where Scouts experience positive mentorship and develop leadership skills like decision-making, communication, and organization by choosing activities that interest them the most.



SEA SCOUTS For ages 14-20, Sea Scouts is a maritime program that offers activities including paddle-boarding, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, and even SCUBA. Scouts earn certifications in SCUBA, boating safety, lifesaving, and CPR—credentials that mark their growth through the program.



RESTORING THE VILLAGE (RTV) For ages 5-20, RTV is an initiative that extends Scouting access to underserved communities at no cost to families. Through partnerships between Scouting and community leaders, RTV provides youth with the values, tools, opportunities, and mentors needed to build a brighter future.



STEM IN SCOUTING For grades 3-12, our STEM in Scouting program partners with leaders in STEM education and local schools to provide a fun and interactive program focused on science, technology, engineering, math, and arts.



SOCCER IN SCOUTING For ages 5-18, Soccer in Scouting is the only program of its kind in the U.S. This unique program blends Scouting's benefits, such as leadership cultivation and character development, with the fun and excitement of soccer.



EXPLORING For ages 10-20, Exploring is a unique and dynamic relationship between youth and organizations in their communities. Businesses and community organizations initiate a career-specific Exploring post or club by matching their people and organizational resources to the career interests of youth in the community.

OUR LOCATIONS

Arlington Heights Center For Scouting

617 E. Golf Rd., Suite 101
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Chicago Center For Scouting

106 N. Aberdeen St., Suite 200
Chicago, IL 60607

La Grange Center For Scouting

27 Calendar Ave., 2nd Floor
La Grange, IL 60525

Robert J. Welsh Center For Scouting

8751 Calumet Ave.
Munster, IN 46321

OUR CAMPS

Owasippe

9900 Russell Rd.
Twin Lake, MI 49457

Camp Frank S. Betz

3858 E. Snow Rd.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

FOLLOW US



@PathwayToAdventure



Pathway To Adventure Council



Get Involved in Scouting

Want to do more for Scouting? Scan the QR code to explore volunteer opportunities for you or your business. Find out how you can inspire youth, strengthen communities, and support the future of Scouting.

PathwayToAdventure.org/GetInvolved