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LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

California Assembly Bill 506 became law on September 16, 2021. AB 506 requires administrators, employees, and regular volunteers of youth service organizations to:

- Complete training in child abuse and neglect identification and reporting
- Undergo a background check to identify and exclude any persons with a history of child abuse
- Ensure mandatory reporting of suspected incidents of child abuse to persons or entities outside of the organization
- Require two mandatory reporters whenever in contact or in the supervision of children

The BSA's Youth Protection Training standards required of all registered adults, our two deep leadership policy, and the criminal background check performed with an adult volunteer's registration appear to meet most of the requirements of this law. The BSA's routine criminal background check does not meet this standard, thus a background check with finger print scan will be required soon.

We have previously updated you on our council's YPT policy, which requires that all registered adults 18 and over maintain YPT compliance for their entire registration period.

Golden Gate Area Council leadership is working with National Service Territory 3 to develop a consistent plan for all California BSA councils to fulfill the law's requirements. As with all major news and changes to our local policies, look for upcoming news releases and information on our website at [GGAC Youth Protection](#) for more details in the coming weeks.

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