

Scoutreach is the outreach division of the local Boy Scouts of America Council, Golden Gate Area Council (GGAC) (ggacbsa.org). The BSA's mission is to prepare every youth in America to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader who is guided by the Scout Oath and Law. That said, we recognize that participating in traditional Scouting units is not financially feasible for all families, nor are traditional units geographically accessible to all families.

At GGAC, we wish to increase that accessibility through free-to-join units set up in accessible locations, such as After-School Programs. These units can be led by volunteers or by paid/trained **Scoutreach** Professionals.

There is no cost to start a Scoutreach unit, but it costs \$30 for each youth and adult to register. Depending on circumstances, these fees could be paid for by the families, the charter organization, a sponsor, or FOS dollars raised by GGAC. Costs to run a unit will increase with uniforms, activity T-shirts, materials for meetings, awards, extra activities, and the need for a paid Leader.

Our funding goal this year is \$210,000. This would allow us to continue serving our 600 youth across 15 **Scoutreach** units. Click **Scoutreach** to learn more about our program.

SCOUTING AIMS: Character Development, Leadership Development, Citizenship in the Community, Physical and Mental Fitness.



SCOUTING METHODS: Living the Ideals (Oath/Law), Belonging to a Den, Advancement and Recognition, Family Involvement, Activities, Serving the Neighborhood, Uniform

Scoutreach units are REAL UNITS! They have the same accessibility to local district, council, and national adventures and activities. Scoutreach Members are welcome to participate in local unit activities, such as hikes or day trips, with the host units' permission, of course. Scoutreach Professionals can assist in contacting other local traditional units to share activities. Additionally, GGAC will do its best to reduce registration costs for larger activities like Day Camp for Cubs and Summer Camp for Troops.

If you would like to start a unit, please email <u>Alyssa Padia</u>, or call 925-674-6129 Golden Gate Area Council | Director of Scoutreach