

Suggested Topics for Monthly Service Unit Meetings

Suggestions only. Service Unit Managers may adjust at their discretion.

September

Encourage troops to participate in on-time renewal, continuing in September.
Discuss the importance of being registered before October 1.

Get the service unit excited about the Outstanding Service Unit Award (formerly known as The President's Award)!

Encourage troops to host or join recruitment events in their community.

Ensure all Girl Scouts and leaders have completed registration.

Provide training on the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) and encourage troops to use it to create a year plan.

Encourage troops to celebrate cultural richness and explore multi-cultural diversity by completing the Hispanic Heritage Month Fun Patch.

Discuss the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts, and how to achieve them.

October

Welcome new troop leaders.

Hold an investiture/rededication for troop leaders.

Ask Girl Scouts to come and discuss their Highest Awards projects.

Remind troop leaders that if their troop wants to participate in a money-earning activity, they only have until the start of the Cookie Program.

Invite troop leaders to discuss their inclusive troop practices and how they enriched all troop members' experiences.

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November

Talk about the roles of the Service Unit team, and any team vacancies.

Remind leaders they must have a bank account to participate in the Cookie Program. Provide guidance on how to open a bank account.

Host a recognition training and set a recognition goal for the Service Unit.

Encourage troops to celebrate cultural richness and explore multi-cultural diversity by completing the Native American Heritage Month Fun Patch. Complete an activity during the Service Unit meeting.

Discuss the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts, and how to achieve them.

December

Inform/remind troops of the upcoming Cookie Season. Remind them that Girl Scouts must be registered to participate.

Remind troop leaders that all troops need a Troop Cookie Manager (TCM)

Remind troop leaders all troops must turn in their ACH Form

Plan a Cookie Rally, Cookie Kick-off, or Cookie Badge-earning event

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

January

Inform volunteers about the Cookie Rally, Cookie Kick-off, badge-earning event.

Remind troop leaders all troops must turn in their ACH Form

Host a special welcome event for new troop leaders.

Hold a training on troop finances and strategies for talking to Girl Scouts about money.

Plan a World Thinking Day Event. View the requirements in the Volunteer Toolkit.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

February

Encourage troops to celebrate cultural richness and explore multi-cultural diversity by completing the Black History Month Fun Patch. Complete an activity during the Service Unit meeting.

Talk about best practices in planning to spend troop funds.

Inquire about any planned Girl Scout Week, Sunday, Sabbath, or Shabbat activities that leaders have planned.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

March

Host a troop leader training about the Annual Troop Finance Report.

Celebrate Girl Scouts' birthday and Girl Scout Week!

Ask troop co-leaders and Girl Scouts to discuss their experiences at camp.

Encourage troops to participate in early renewal, beginning on April 1.

Discuss the perks of renewing early.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

April

Celebrate Leaders Day!

Encourage troops to host a recruitment table at school open houses

Plan a service unit leaders' hike

Encourage troops to participate in early renewal, beginning on April 1.

Discuss the perks of renewing early.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

May

Encourage troops to celebrate cultural richness and explore multi-cultural diversity by completing the Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month Fun Patch. Complete an activity during the Service Unit meeting.

Invite an informed guest to your meeting to speak about Food Allergy Awareness Week.

Encourage troops to participate in early renewal, continuing through June 30. Discuss the perks of renewing early.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

Remind troops that their Annual Troop Finance Report is due by June 30.

June

Celebrate leaders with a special end of the year event.

Encourage troops to celebrate cultural richness and explore multi-cultural diversity by completing the LGBTQ+ Pride Month Fun Patch; complete an activity during the Service Unit meeting.

Encourage troops to participate in early renewal, ending on June 30. Discuss the perks of renewing early.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

Remind troops that their Annual Troop Finance Report is due by June 30.

July

Encourage troops to participate in on-time renewal, beginning on July 1. Discuss the importance of being registered on time.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.

August

Encourage troops to participate in on-time renewal, continuing in August. Discuss the importance of being registered before October 1.

Report about the Service Unit goals around new/retained youth and new/retained adult Girl Scouts.