



Volunteer Position Agreement Advisory Volunteers

PURPOSE:

Advisory volunteers work with council staff to provide development and guidance for volunteers and girls, as well as make recommendations on operational decisions. These volunteers provide a quality Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) for girls through service in an advisory capacity.

ADVISORY VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP:

- Advisory volunteer groups may be led by either staff or a volunteer committee chair
- Advisory volunteers collaborate across multiple geographic service units to gain support and resources
- Advisory volunteers collaborate with various staff for resources, support, and guidance

EXPECTATIONS OF ALL ADVISORY VOLUNTEERS:

- Be a registered member of Girl Scouts of the USA
- Comply with Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians Policies and Procedures
- Inclusive of diverse peoples and their cultures
- Desire to help girls and volunteers learn
- Collaborate with various volunteers and staff
- Believe in the positive intent of all volunteers and staff
- Participate in training for your role

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Demonstrate a passion for Girl Scouting
- Ability to work in a collaborative fashion
- Ability to be flexible
- Excellent communication skills (both written and oral)
- Basic computer skills with e-mail access are desired but not required

TERM:

Advisory volunteers are asked to serve for a defined term. Requests for continued service are made based on the volunteer's desire to continue, performance, and the needs of the council.

ADVISORY VOLUNTEER ROLES

- The following list is an overview of the roles and responsibilities commonly held by advisory volunteers
- Each role is followed by the general responsibilities for that role
- Depending on the number of volunteers participating in the group or committee:
 - Responsibilities within each role may be divided among multiple volunteers
 - Several volunteers may serve in the same role

ADVISORY VOLUNTEER ROLES (continued)

Please “check” each responsibility you are willing and able to carry out for Girl Scouting in this council.

Adult Learning Facilitator

- Deliver training to volunteers seeking Troop Leadership Certification
- Deliver training to volunteers seeking certification for outdoor activities
- Deliver enrichment opportunities to volunteers seeking information beyond their certifications

Girl Awards Facilitator

- Provide girl and adult learning opportunities to increase the knowledge of Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards

Gold Award Committee Member

- Participate in the Gold Award interview process and provide constructive feedback for girls
- Ensure Safety Activity Checkpoints are followed throughout the proposal and final reports.
- Ensure the budgetary needs and project timeline are feasible.

Gold Award Committee Chair

- Schedule and preside over committee meetings and committee chair meetings
- Add members to the committee and adjust members’ roles as needed to support the program
- Serve as the contact for girls who have questions about the award

Mentor (or “Green Angel”)

- Serve as a mentor for volunteers throughout the council’s jurisdiction

Troop SWAT Team Member

- Act as a “substitute” troop leader for troops whose leader has been released or resigned
- Encourage and support remaining adults in the troop to take responsibility for leadership

Volunteer Appreciation Task Force

- Advise staff in long-term goals for recognition and appreciation activities for volunteers
- Plan and carry-out recognition and appreciation activities for volunteers
- Review annual volunteer recognition nominations for approval and award

Volunteer Advisory Committee Member *(by nomination only)*

- Advise staff in planning for intake, support, development, and communication with volunteers

Volunteer Advisory Committee Chair *(by nomination only)*

- Advise staff in planning for intake, support, development, and communication with volunteers
- Plan for and preside over meetings of the Volunteer Advisory Committee

I agree to serve Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians to the best of my ability in the above selected role(s) for a term ending _____. I agree to the roles selected based on my interests and skills. I understand that failure to account for money and materials received will be considered misappropriation of funds and may result in civil and/or criminal prosecution for the amount owed plus reasonable attorney fees and court costs. At the end of my term I will return all materials, supplies, or resources supplied to me during my term to Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians staff.

Name _____ E-mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____