



October 2026 Newsletter



**Key Dates 2026 - 2027
is now available!**



2026/2027 Key Dates

October 2026

- October 1: Membership Year 2027 begins
- October 2 - 4: She & Me at Camp Mitre Peak
- October 5: Adult Award nominations due
- October 15: Gluten Free order due to Council
- October 17: Outdoor Training in Midland
- October 19 - 23: Product delivery to service units
- October 30 - November 1: Archery Camp at Camp Mitre Peak
- October 31: Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday

November 2026

- November 7: Chuck Wagon Fundraiser at Camp Mitre Peak
- November 13 - 15: He & Me at Camp Mitre Peak
- November 15: Outdoor Training in Hobbs
- November 19: Fall Product ACH
- November 25 - 26: Thanksgiving (offices closed)

December 2026

- December 8 - 9: Staff Retreat (offices closed)
- December 12: Ceremony of Honors in El Paso and Odessa
- December 15: Troop initial cookies order due in ABC Smart Cookies
- December 24 - 31: Winter Break (offices closed)

January 2027

- January 1 - 3: Winter Break (offices closed)
- January 16: Cookie booth selections begin
- January 17: Outdoor Training in El Paso
- January 19: Delivery of cookies to cupboards/home deliveries begin
- January 23: Cookie Mega Drop in El Paso and Odessa
- January 24: Cookie Program begins

February 2027

- February 11: Cookie Program ACH #1
- February 15: President's Day (offices closed)
- February 22: World Thinking Day

March 2027

- March 4: Cookie Program ACH #2
- March 7 - 12: Girl Scout Week
- March 12: Girl Scout Birthday
- March 21: Cookie Program ends
- March 25: Girl Delinquent Report due

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August 27, 2026

Your GSDSW Updates

- Gluten-free cookie orders due to info@gsdsw.org by Thursday, Oct. 15 at 5:00 PM MDT
- The Outdoor Training in Midland, TX (Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026) and in Hobbs, NM (Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026) are in danger of being canceled due to low registration. Don't delay!
- Happy Birthday, Juliette Gordon Low! Celebrate on Saturday, Oct. 31, 2026
- Initial cookie orders due in ABC Smart Cookies by Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 5:00 PM MST





SWEETER DEALS, SAME IMPACT



Support Girl Scouts for Less!

We know every dollar matters. That's why we've lowered the retail prices on our Fall Product nuts and chocolate lineup, making it easier than ever to support local Girl Scouts.

Stock up on your favorite snacks and treats while helping girls develop leadership, business, and life skills. Great products, lower prices, and a great cause - it doesn't get much sweeter than that!

**FALL
PRODUCT
IS NOW
LIVE!**



Product Program

GET TO KNOW FALL PRODUCT ITEMS

Discover the features, benefits, and customer favorites that can help you make your next sale.

Candles

Light the Way

Girl Scout Fall Product Program

A Candle with Purpose
When you purchase a Candle, you're doing more than lighting a room—you're helping empower Girl Scouts to build confidence, learn business skills, and fund meaningful experiences in their communities.



Why Customers Love Candles



Handcrafted in the USA
Each candle is carefully poured using high-quality ingredients for a clean, long-lasting burn.



Premium Fragrances
From cozy fall favorites to fresh, year-round scents, there's something for every space and season.



Beautiful & Gift-Ready
Elegant jars and timeless designs make these candles perfect for thank-you gifts, fall gatherings, holidays, or simply "just because."

Featured Fall Scents



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Magazines

Read, Learn, and Lead

Girl Scout Fall Product Program

Magazine Subscriptions That Give Back
When customers purchase magazine subscriptions through the Product Program, they're enjoying great reading while supporting Girl Scouts and helping build confidence, communication skills, and real-world experience.



Why Customers Love Magazine Subscriptions



Something for Everyone
Magazines for every interest, from food and lifestyle to sports, hobbies, and more.



Easy Online Ordering
Supporters can browse, select, and pay online for a simple, convenient shopping experience.



Great for Gifts
Thoughtful gifts for family, friends, and anyone who enjoys discovering new ideas.



Lasting Enjoyment
Each issue brings enjoyment while supporting Girl Scout experiences and programs.

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Girl Scout Fall Product Program

Everyday Drinkware That Makes a Difference
Every Tervis® Tumbler purchased during the Fall Product Program supports Girl Scouts while delivering the quality, durability, and style Tervis is known for.



Why Customers Love Tervis®



Keeps Drinks Hot or Cold Longer
Designed to keep your beverages at the perfect temperature.



Durable & Made in the USA
Crafted for everyday use with high-quality materials you can rely on.



No Sweat, Easy Grip
Comfortable to hold and condensation-free. Perfect for life on the go.



Great for Any Occasion
Work, school, travel, sports, outdoor activities, gifts and every hydration.

Featured Tumblers

Plastic Tumblers



Stainless Steel Tumblers



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Personalized Products

Make It Individualized

Girl Scout Fall Product Program

Personalized Gifts That Give Back
Personalized products turn everyday items into meaningful keepsakes, customized just for you, while helping Girl Scouts build confidence, leadership, and real-world business skills.



Why Customers Love Personalized Products



Personalized Just for You
Add a name, monogram, or short message to create an item that feels thoughtful and unique.



High-Quality & Made to Last
Crafted with durable materials and professional embossing for a polished, premium look.



Perfect for Gifting
Ideal for teachers, coaches, holidays, family, friends and "Just because" surprises to make a one-of-a-kind gift.

Available Personalized Products



Share Your Business Card!

Give customers a way to order later using your unique code.



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Product Program

Fall Product Timeline

October

- Monday, Oct. 19 - Friday, Oct. 23, 2026: Product delivery to service units from Ashdon Farms
- Monday, Oct. 19 - Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026: Troops may participate in approved Fall Product booths

November

- Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026: Last day for online/direct ship and M2 storefront sales
- Monday, Nov. 9, 2026: Fall Product Program officially ends
 - Troops are encouraged to have sufficient funds available in their troop bank accounts
- Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2026: Last day for girls/troops to make reward choices
- Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026: Deadline to submit the delinquent parent report
- Monday, Nov. 19, 2026: ACH withdrawal from troop accounts



Important Upcoming Cookie Dates

Gluten-free cookie orders
due to info@gsdsw.org by:
Thursday, Oct. 15 at 5:00 PM MDT

Initial cookie orders due in
ABC Smart Cookies by:
Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 5:00 PM MST

Product Program



Cookie Training is Going In-Person!

This year, Cookie Training is happening IN PERSON - and everyone is invited!

Whether you're a parent, troop leader, Troop Cookie Coordinator, Service Unit Cookie Chair, or Service Unit Manager, we want you there!

We'll kick things off with everyone together for the first 30 minutes, covering the Cookie Program basics, important updates, and some exciting news we can't wait to unveil! We'll also be sharing our new social media guidelines to help everyone feel confident and prepared for cookie season.

After the first 30 minutes, parents will be dismissed, and training will continue for Troop Cookie Coordinators and Service Unit Cookie Chairs with additional information and training specific to their roles.

Sign up for your regional meeting - <https://bit.ly/CookieTraining2026> or scan the QR code below. There is no cost to attend - we simply ask that you register so we can be prepared for how many people will be joining us.

Mark your calendar and join us! You won't want to miss the news, updates, and everything you need to get ready for a successful cookie season!



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Important note:

Troop Leaders and Troop Cookie Coordinators (TCC) are encouraged to attend Cookie Training. However, if they are unable to attend, the Service Unit Cookie Chair (SUCC) is responsible for providing them with the necessary training.

Parents are also invited to attend Cookie Training, but their attendance is not mandatory. Even if they attend, they still need to be trained by the TCC.

**The only person required to attend
Cookie Training is the SUCC.**

Product Program

In-Person Cookie Training Schedule

Permian Basin

Andrews - First Baptist Church, Bridge Building - 201 NE 2nd St., Andrews, TX 79714

- Monday, Oct. 5, 2026, at 6:00 PM CDT

Pecos - Reeves County Library, Conference Room - 315 S. Oak St., Pecos, TX 79772

- Friday, Oct. 9, 2026, at 4:00 PM CDT

El Paso & Southern New Mexico

Carlsbad - Virtual on Zoom

- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

Las Cruces Girl Scout Program Center - 225 E. Idaho Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005

- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center - 522 E. Broadway St., Hobbs, NM 88240

- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

El Paso Girl Scout Program Center - 9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924

- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT
- *Cotton Valley, Desert Flower, Indian Summer, & Fort Bliss*

El Paso Girl Scout Program Center - 9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924

- Thursday, Oct. 8, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT
- *Mountain Poppy, Painted Desert, Stateline, & West Sunset*

Artesia - Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church - 1111 N. Roselawn Ave., Artesia, NM 88210

- Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026, at 10:00 AM MDT

Roswell Girl Scout Program Center - 1307 E. College Blvd., Roswell, NM 88201

- Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026 at 2:00 PM MDT

Ruidoso - First Presbyterian Church - 101 Sutton Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345

- Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

Silver City Girl Scout Little House - 302 W. 11th St., Silver City, NM 88061

- Monday, Oct. 12, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

Alamogordo Recreation Center - 1100 Oregon Ave., Alamogordo, NM 88310

- Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2026, at 6:00 PM MDT

Program

Introducing Quarterly Quests

Ready to take your Girl Scout skills a little further? Quarterly Quests offer a deeper-dive experience than our Monthly Challenges, with more activities, more to explore, and a badge or patch to celebrate your accomplishment!

Each quarter will feature something different. Some Quests will give you the opportunity to earn a retired or legacy Girl Scout badge, while others will feature a GSDSW custom fun patch focused on a fun topic or skill. Our first Quest, launching in October, will feature a retired Junior badge! Quarterly Quests are \$5 per girl, which helps cover the cost of the badge or patch and postage while also helping us continue offering our free Monthly Challenges throughout the year.

Whether you're interested in earning a piece of Girl Scout history or trying something completely new, there's always another Quest waiting for you!

Get yours here: <https://bit.ly/QuarterlyQuest1>

October - December 2026 Quarterly Quest is one of three Legacy Junior Badges!



Toy Maker
2001 - 2011



Collecting Hobbies
2001 - 2011



Ms. Fix-It
1980

Monthly Challenge

For the October Monthly Challenge, you are a marine scientist exploring the deep ocean.

https://bit.ly/Oct26_UnderSea



Click to view
full flyer



Under the Sea Monthly Challenge
October 2026

Dive into the deep! Imagine you are a marine scientist exploring the deep ocean. It is dark, cold, and under enormous pressure - so animals that live there have special characteristics that help them survive.

But what is an adaptation? An adaptation is something a living thing (both plants and animals) has or does that helps it survive in the environment where it lives. For example, some deep-sea animals produce their own light, some have bodies suited to intense pressure from all the water pushing down on them from above and some have ways to find food in very dark water.

Adaptations happen over many generations - not because an animal decides it needs one. Scientists study how an animal's characteristics help it live in its environment.

Your challenge is to do some research about deep sea animals. Where do they live? What do they eat? What do they look like? Then design an imaginary animal that could survive in the deep ocean. Be creative - make your creature's adaptations have a job!

You will need to name your creature. Not a name like Fred or Ethel but a name saying what kind of deep sea animal it is. Figure out where it lives and what it eats. It must have at least two adaptations to help it survive. One must be a physical adaptation (something it has) and one must be a behavioral adaptation (something it does.)

Then draw a picture of your deep sea animal. But don't let it just hand out in a space with nothing around it. Put its habitat (where it lives) in the picture, too!

Deadline to submit your Under the Sea report: Wednesday, September 30, 2026 @ 5:00 PM MDT
Submit report at: https://bit.ly/UnderTheSea_Qx2026
You will receive your patch in 3 - 4 weeks after the end of challenge.
If you have any questions, please email info@gdsdw.org.

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Program

Get Ready to Get Outdoors

Want to take your Girl Scouts camping? Then Outdoor Training is a MUST! This training is required for volunteers who want to lead their girls on camping adventures and is valid for three years.

Plan now for next summer's camping trip! Get your training completed early, so when camping season arrives, you're ready to go. And yes - troop funds may be used to cover the cost of training.

Don't miss this opportunity to build your outdoor skills, gain confidence, and get ready for campfires, s'mores, starry skies, and unforgettable Girl Scout adventures.

Outdoor Training is one you don't want to miss - sign up and get outdoors!



OUTDOOR TRAINING
in Midland, TX

Ready to build your outdoor skills, gain confidence, and learn how to lead Girl Scouts on unforgettable adventures? Outdoor Training is a must for volunteers who want to take their troops camping and exploring!

Don't just talk about outdoor adventures - be the volunteer who makes them happen! Come ready to learn, get outside, and have a great time. You'll leave with the skills and confidence to create amazing outdoor experiences for your Girl Scouts.

DATE & TIME
Saturday, October 17, 2026
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CDT

LOCATION & COST
Girl Scout Program Center
601 W. Thacker Ave.
Midland, TX 79703
\$40 Adult Monday, September 28, 2026
\$10 Tuesday, September 29 - Monday, October 5, 2026

REQUIRED TRAINING
This training is required every three years and needs to be completed for your troop to be able to go camping.

TO REGISTER:
<https://bit.ly/OutTrainMD1026>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026
5:00 PM MT

**These two classes are in danger
of being canceled due to
low registration.
Don't wait - register today!**



OUTDOOR TRAINING
in Hobbs, NM

Ready to build your outdoor skills, gain confidence, and learn how to lead Girl Scouts on unforgettable adventures? Outdoor Training is a must for volunteers who want to take their troops camping and exploring!

Don't just talk about outdoor adventures - be the volunteer who makes them happen! Come ready to learn, get outside, and have a great time. You'll leave with the skills and confidence to create amazing outdoor experiences for your Girl Scouts.

DATE & TIME
Sunday, November 15, 2026
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM MST

LOCATION & COST
Girl Scout Program Center
822 E. Broadway
Hobbs, NM 88401
\$40 Adult Monday, October 19, 2026
\$10 Tuesday, October 20 - Monday, November 2, 2026

REQUIRED TRAINING
This training is required every three years and needs to be completed for your troop to be able to go camping.

TO REGISTER:
<https://bit.ly/OutTrainHB26>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026
5:00 PM MT

Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CDT

Registration Deadline:

Monday, Oct. 5, 2026, 5:00 PM MDT

<https://bit.ly/OutTrainMD1026>

Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM MST

Registration Deadline:

Monday, Nov. 2, 2026, 5:00 PM MST

<https://bit.ly/OutTrainHB26>

Sunday, Jan. 17, 2027
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CST
Registration Deadline:
Monday, Jan. 4, 2027, 5:00 PM MST
<https://bit.ly/OutTrainEP2027>



OUTDOOR TRAINING
in El Paso, TX

Ready to build your outdoor skills, gain confidence, and learn how to lead Girl Scouts on unforgettable adventures? Outdoor Training is a must for volunteers who want to take their troops camping and exploring!

Don't just talk about outdoor adventures - be the volunteer who makes them happen! Come ready to learn, get outside, and have a great time. You'll leave with the skills and confidence to create amazing outdoor experiences for your Girl Scouts.

DATE & TIME
Sunday, January 17, 2027
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM MT

LOCATION & COST
Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way
El Paso, TX 79924
\$40 Adult Monday, December 21, 2026
\$10 Tuesday, December 22, 2026 - Monday, January 4, 2027

REQUIRED TRAINING
This training is required every three years and needs to be completed for your troop to be able to go camping.

TO REGISTER:
<https://bit.ly/OutTrainEP2027>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2027
5:00 PM MT

Program

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Saturday
Oct.
17

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Ready, Resilient, & Strong

Juniors & Cadettes - are you ready to discover just how strong you really are?

Join Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest for a fun, hands-on adventure designed to help you build resilience, discover your inner strength, and be ready for whatever comes your way! Through creative activities, outdoor exploration, teamwork, and reflection, you'll learn practical skills to help you stay calm, confident, and resilient at home, at school, and in your community.

You'll work toward earning the Girl Scout Ready, Resilient & Strong patch while having fun, trying new things, and discovering the strength you already have!

Come ready to explore. Come ready to grow. Come ready to be RESILIENT, READY, & STRONG!

Juniors (Grades 4 - 5) & Cadettes (Grades 6 - 8)

Saturday, October 17, 2026
10:30 AM - 1:30 AM CDT
Odessa Girl Scout Program Center
227 N. Main Blvd., Odessa, TX 79762
Cost: \$15 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/ReadyO2026>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 12, 2026

What you will do:

- Welcome & Share - Share a favorite holiday or vacation memory
- Gratitude Journal - Decorate a journal to record things you are grateful for
- Peaceful Nature Hunt - Discover things in nature that make you feel happy or calm
- Girl Scout Law Broccoli - Create a broccoli inspired by the Girl Scout Law

Not a Girl Scout?
No problem - scan the QR code or sign up at the event!
Meet new friends, learn what Girl Scouts is about, and join the fun.
Already a Girl Scout? Bring a friend!

United Way

Odessa, TX

Saturday
Oct.
24

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Exploring Shapes in Nature

Join Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest for a day of discovery, creativity, and outdoor exploration. For Daisies who are curious about the world around them, this program encourages girls to slow down, observe nature, and find inspiration in the beauty surrounding them. Girls will explore the outdoors with fresh eyes as they search for colorful flowers, interesting leaves, and other natural wonders to earn the Shapes in Nature badge.

Daisies (Grades K - 1)

Saturday, October 24, 2026
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM MDT
Western Heritage Museum
1 Thunderbird Cir., Hobbs, NM 88240
Cost: \$15 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/NatureShapesO2026>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 12, 2026

What you will do:

- Meet a Master Gardener - Learn about the plants and flowers in nature
- Pattern Hunt - Find unique shapes and patterns found in leaves and flowers
- Nature Inspired Art - Create artwork inspired by your surroundings

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No problem - scan the QR code or sign up at the event!
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United Way

Hobbs, NM

Saturday
Nov.
7

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Daisy Neighbors: Blooming with Kindness

Join Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest for an exciting adventure where Daisies discover what it takes to be a good neighbor and a good citizen! Girls will work toward earning their Good Neighbor badge through fun, hands-on activities focused on kindness, community, responsibility, and teamwork. Explore their neighborhoods, practice being good citizens, and create "Our Town," a community designed with the qualities that make a neighborhood a great place to live!

Daisies (Grades K - 1)

Saturday, November 7, 2026
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CST
Midland Girl Scout Program Center
901 W. Denger Ave., Midland, TX 79707
Cost: \$15 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/DaisyNeighborsMD>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 26, 2026

What you will do:

- Welcome to the Neighborhood - Color a house to add to the Neighborhood Wall
- Bluey Neighbors - Discuss what makes a good neighbor
- Good Citizen Role Play - Practice being a good citizen and neighbor
- Neighbor Says - Play a listening game while practicing helpful neighbor skills

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United Way

Midland, TX

Saturday
Nov.
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Showing Up for Me & You

Take care of yourself. Lift up others. Be there when it matters.

Join Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest for an empowering experience designed for Seniors and Ambassadors! Explore what it means to feel your best, care for your well-being, and show up for the people around you.

Through fun and meaningful activities, Girl Scouts will explore self-care, gratitude, mental wellness, healthy coping skills, and the importance of asking for help when you need it. Along the way, you'll discover practical ways to handle life's ups and downs, build your personal toolkit, and support yourself and others with confidence.

Earn the Showing Up for Me and You patch while gaining skills you can use every day, because taking care of yourself is always worth showing up for!

Seniors (Grades 9 - 10) & Ambassadors (Grades 11 - 12)

Saturday, November 7, 2026
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM CST
Midland Girl Scout Program Center
901 W. Denger Ave., Midland, TX 79707
Cost: \$15 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/ShowingUpMD2026>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 26, 2026

What you will do:

- What is Mental Health? - Share what mental health means to you
- Mindful Movement - Try fun yoga poses and deep breathing
- Make a Worry Stone - Paint a rock with a calming picture or happy word
- Mind Matters - Learn the difference between mental health and wellness

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United Way

Midland, TX

Engagement



Ceremony of Honors 2026

Please join Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest to celebrate the hard work and dedication of our girls and volunteers at our annual Ceremony of Honors.

Saturday, Dec. 12, 2026

El Paso Location
St. Mark's Church
5005 Love Rd.
El Paso, TX 79922

Odessa Location
Odessa Girl Scout Program Center
5217 N. Dixie Blvd.
Odessa, TX 79762

RSVP:

<https://tinyurl.com/COH2026EP>

RSVP:

<https://tinyurl.com/COH2026OD>

Important Troop Forms

- [Bank Account Request](#)
- [Emergency Procedures](#)
- [Health History](#)
- [Special Assistance Application](#)
- [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#)
- [Trip and High-Risk Activity Form](#)
- [Troop Disbandment Checklist](#)
- [Troop Disband Form](#)
- [Volunteer Essentials](#)

Service Unit Roundtable

Tuesday, October 13, 2026

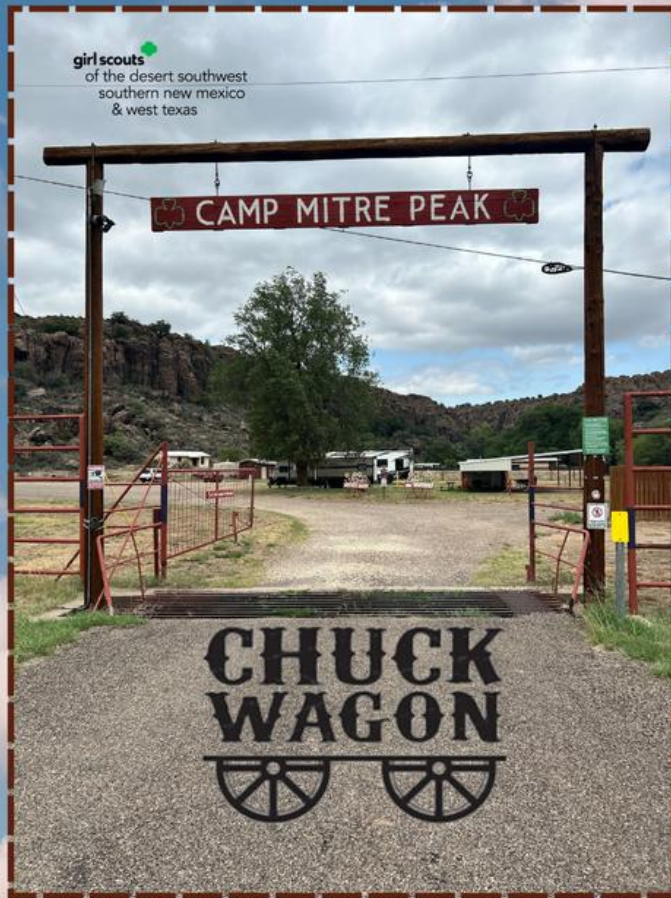
Recruitment Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a new way to make an impact?

From helping at recruitment events and community outreach activities to supporting special events, there are many ways to lend your time and talents to support Girl Scouts in your area. Explore current recruitment volunteer opportunities and sign up here:

[View Opportunities Here!](#)

Resource Development



**You are cordially invited to
join us for a magical evening
under the stars at**

**Camp Mitre Peak
Saturday, November 7, 2026
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
200 Mitre Peak Camp Rd.
Fort Davis, TX 79734**

**Enjoy a delightful dinner
at 7:00 PM followed by
dancing under the open sky.**

Music by Hall's Last Call Band

To sponsor or buy tickets:

<https://bit.ly/2026ChuckWagon>

**For questions, contact us at
funddevelopment@gsdsw.org or
(915) 566-9433 Ext.2221**

Sponsorships

Sponsorship Levels	Seating	Logo/Name on Website & Social Media	Logo/Name on Event Banner	Verbal Recognition	Listing in Annual Report
Kiva - \$5,000	Premium 8 Seats				
Kick-a-Poo - \$2,500	6 Seats				
Seminole - \$1,500	4 Seats				
Apache - \$750	2 Seats				
Banner Advertisement - \$200	No Seats				

Resource Development



For more than three decades, Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest has honored more than 300 women who have distinguished themselves through their leadership, extraordinary contributions to their community, and, most importantly, by exemplifying the Girl Scout mission as women of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

The proceeds from these events allow Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest to provide scholarships, the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE), enhance our four priority program areas: Financial Literacy, Healthy Living, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), and Outdoor Leadership, and support various Girl Scout activities and programs for Girl Scouts throughout Southern New Mexico and West Texas.

Council Properties

Council Property Building Rental / Usage

Reminder: Council Property Use Form Required

Planning to use a council property or building for troop meetings, programs, trainings, service unit meetings, or other gatherings? You must submit the Troop/SU Meeting Property Rental Application each program year, even if you submitted one last year.

If your previous form included dates that have already passed, a new request is required for any upcoming use. This helps us keep accurate, up-to-date scheduling and ensures proper support for all users.

Want to use or rent Camp Mitre Peak or any of our program centers for troop or service unit meetings, or special events? Submit your request here:

- [Camp Mitre Peak Rental Application](#)
- [Troop/SU Meeting Property Rental Application](#)
- [GSDSW Members and Troop Mitre Council Property Rental Application](#)



Camp Mitre Peak, Fort Davis, TX
Carlsbad, NM
El Paso, TX**
Fort Stockton, TX
Hobbs, NM
Las Cruces, NM

Midland, TX
Odessa, TX
Roswell, NM
Silver City, NM
White Spur Hut, El Paso, TX

**El Paso Program Center is currently unavailable for use due to septic issues. We will keep you informed with updates as we receive them. Thank you for your understanding.

Around the Council

Retail Shops

Council Shop Hours*

El Paso

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM MT
(Closed for lunch 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM)
1st Saturday of each month
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM MT

Las Cruces

At the monthly Service Unit event
Pre-orders will also be delivered.
(Mobile Shop Request Form must be submitted)

Midland

Tuesdays 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
Thursdays 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM & 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
1st, 3rd, & 5th Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM CT

Odessa

2nd & 4th Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM CT

For locations, [click here](#).

Shop orders will be placed on the second Thursday of each month for special orders and items not in stock.

*Subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.



Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest Career Opportunities

Engagement Specialist

- Carlsbad
- Odessa
- Silver City

Resource Development Specialist

- Midland

Program Specialist

- El Paso
- Midland (Part-time & seasonal)

*Interested candidates
should email
careers@gsdsw.org with
resumes and a cover letter.*

GSDSW Mobile Shop

If your service unit is organizing an event and you would like to have the GSDSW Mobile Shop present, please complete and submit the form below at least one month before the event.

Mobile Shop Request Form