



THANKS BADGE PIN NOMINATION APPLICATION

The Thanks Badge honors a registered adult Girl Scout whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting the mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or entire Girl Scout Movement. Accumulative years of service are considered for this award. A nomination application and four written endorsement letters are required. Nomination deadline is January 31.

Award Requirements:

- The candidate is an active, registered adult Girl Scout..
- Abides by GSUSA and River Valleys’ policies, standards and procedures including applicable required position training.
- The outstanding service performed by the candidate resulted in outcomes that benefitted the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization, and is so significantly above and beyond the call of duty that no other award would be appropriate.
- Actively recognize, understand, and practice the values of inclusive behavior..

Nomination Instructions:

- Coordinate the required number of endorsement letters with someone(s) familiar with candidate’s volunteer service.
- Letter writers do not need to provide the exact same details and information as other endorsers. Each endorser may focus on a different area or aspect of the candidate’s service.
- Provide each letter writer with the questions to address in endorsement letter listed on page 2.
- Complete a nomination application. Person completing the nomination application may provide one of the required letters of endorsement.
- Note: If candidates are approved for an award, they will receive the endorsement letters.
- Submit completed nomination application with the required number of endorsement letters between November 1 and January 31. Instructions are on the back of this form.
- Incomplete endorsement letters and/or application may result in disqualification of the nomination.
- Please do not use staples if submitting hard copies.
- Award frequently asked questions (FAQ), Award descriptions and letter wrting tips are available at www.girlscoutsrv.org.

Distribution of Awards: All awards will be distributed at a local event established by each service unit or another venue as determined by the nominator and/or award recipient.

Candidate Information:

Name: _____ Service Unit: _____

Volunteer Position: *(if relevant to nomination)*: _____

Complete address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Service Center: Brooklyn Center Northfield Redwood Falls Rochester St. Paul

Nominator Information:

Name: _____ Service Unit: _____

Complete Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Alternative phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Questions to address in endorsement letters:

Endorsement letters should address the following questions and provide relevant facts, specific actions, measurable impact and particular behaviors that show the service provided exceeded the expectations of their position. Please do not staple pages.

1. How did you become aware of the candidate's accomplishments?
2. Please describe in detail what the candidate did to merit this award (refer to requirements) and the measurable impact their service has had to Girl Scouting. Include service provided for at least the past four years.
3. How did the candidate demonstrate inclusive behavior?
4. Please describe how the candidate has taken a leadership role at the council level. Who was affected by the candidate's service? How were they affected?

Endorsement letter writers:

It is the responsibility of the nominator to make sure the required letter(s) of endorsement are submitted with this nomination application.

Name: _____ Email: _____

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(Thanks Badge I requires four letters)

Designated Contact Person:

If approved, who should the award be given to for distribution?

Name: _____ Date of event: _____

Complete Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Alternative phone: _____

Email: _____

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ENDORSEMENT LETTERS

By Email:

- One candidate nomination per email
- Attach nomination application and required endorsement letters to e-mail (must be submitted together)
- Include candidate name and award in subject line of email
- Send nomination to awards@girlscoutsrv.org

By Fax to: Adult Awards at 763-535-7524

By Mail: River Valleys
Adult Awards and Recognitions
5601 Brooklyn Blvd.
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

Questions?

800-845-0787, or awards@girlscoutsrv.org