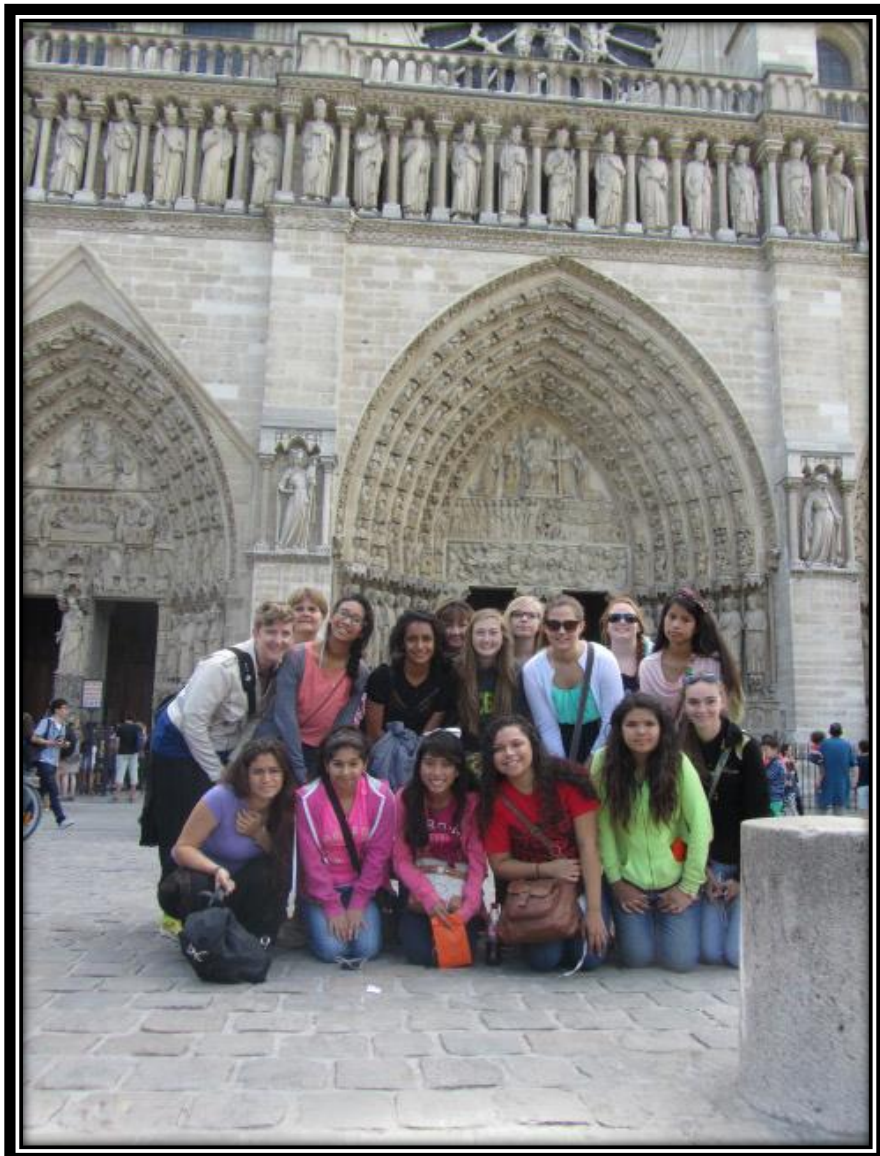


2014 Annual Report





Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be:
Honest and fair,
Friendly and helpful,
Considerate and caring,
Courageous and strong, and
Responsible for what I say and do,
And to
Respect myself and others,
Respect authority,
Use resources wisely,
Make the world a better place, and
Be a sister to every Girl Scout.

A message from the

Board Chair & CEO:

Every year, we see the positive impact Girl Scouting has on girls. Girl Scouts have the opportunities to try new things, learn valuable skills and develop as leaders of tomorrow.

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas is proud to announce our continued growth in the twenty-six counties we serve. Recently Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas was recognized as being #1 of all Girl Scout councils across the nation in percentage of membership growth, beating out much larger councils such as New York, Illinois and Los Angeles! According to the results, Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas surpassed expectations of the challenge, which was assigned to councils across the country last year. The numbers show that in Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas, membership has steadily increased every year, and in 2013-2014 Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas brought the Girl Scout Experience to over 20,175 girls and adults throughout Harlingen, McAllen, Laredo, Corpus Christi, and the Victoria areas. We've come a long way from the first Girl Scout meeting in 1912, when Juliette Gordon-Low assembled 18 girls from Savannah, Georgia, for a local Girl Scout meeting. Today as we announce the Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas council's ranking as #1 in membership growth, we would like to thank you for being part of our success. Together, we will continue to lead the nation in furthering the Girl Scouts mission.

Thank you to our volunteers, community partners, funders, board, staff and especially to our girls; we are keeping pace with increasing demands, while delivering our mission-To build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

Sincerely,

Deborah F. Branch

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Board Chair

Lea A. Peacock

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CEO



20,175
Total
Council
Membership





Gold Award Recipients

The Gold Award represents the highest and most prestigious award in Girl Scouting, recognizing girls who demonstrate extraordinary leadership through remarkable Take Action projects that have sustainable impact in their communities-and beyond.

This prestigious award is earned by a select group of Girl Scouts who demonstrate a high commitment to improving their communities and advocating for lasting change.

Above all else, the achievement of the Gold Award makes a girl understand what a difference one person can make, what one girl in leadership role can do, and how one person's vision can inspire positive changes.



Carolina Barron

Carolina Barron, of Corpus Christi, project, Ronald McDonald Playing Pieces, addressed the need for renovation of the facility's existing playroom. Carolina designed and constructed a ship themed playroom, as well as a "Take a Toy" closet that allows residents and their children to escape the stress of hospital visits, and find joy during their stay.

Caroline Orr

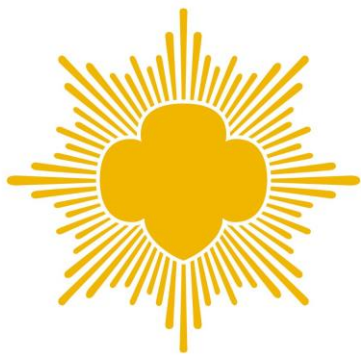
Caroline Orr, of Corpus Christi, project, Compost Central, focused on the need of composting education in Corpus Christi. With her project Caroline created an interactive learning site at the South Texas Botanical Gardens. The site is being used during seminars to educate visitors on various types of compost bins and techniques for composting at home.



Alyssa Ruiz

Alyssa Ruiz, of Corpus Christi, project, Parent Pantry Program, focused on needs of Corpus Christi Ronald McDonald House and the families who use their services. Alyssa led community organizations in selecting months to conduct annual drives to refill the RMH pantry, created and donated educational nutritional activities for kids, and also developed a valuable guide to educate parents about medical programs and resources that offer quality of life for critically ill children with lifelong health challenges.





Gold Award Recipients

Theresa Sonka

Theresa Sonka, of Corpus Christi, project, Soothing Spaces, addressed the psychological effects of a person's surroundings in regards to physical recovery and mental health. After research and careful planning, Theresa designed and redecorated a room at the Ronald McDonald House with colors and fixtures that are meant to bring peace and positive energy. Based on this room, Theresa has created an "adopt-a-room" program to encourage other community organizations to renovate rooms based on the research she compiled.



Carolyn Swize

Carolyn Swize, of Goliad, project, Community Garden, focused on hunger in her community. With her project Carolyn created a community garden with 24 raised vegetable beds that will continue to grow fruits and vegetables for the community. With the completion of her project, Carolyn's community garden will provide food to outreach shelters and local food banks throughout the Goliad area for years to come.



Mimosa Thomas

Mimosa Thomas, of Corpus Christi, project, The W.B. Ray Class of 2014 Global Citizen Scholarship, addresses the need for financial assistance for higher education by providing an educational scholarship annually to a graduate of the W.B. Ray High School. Mimosa raised the starting funds for the \$1,000 scholarship from a website she created, W. B. Ray High School Alumnae, faculty and students. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating student in April 2015 and will continue annually with ongoing support from the community and the Ray Class of 2014.



Regan Vicknair

Regan Vicknair, of Corpus Christi, project, Around the World in a Coloring Book, focused on reaching out to underprivileged children facing difficult situations due to medical concerns, poverty, and/or violence in the home. Regan created the educational resource coloring book based on the day to day lives of children around the world in places like Ghana, Mexico, the Philippines, and Australia, then donated the books with crayons to the Ronald McDonald House, CASA and the Women's Shelter of South Texas.



Silver Award Recipients

Paris Aguilar

Arianna Alvarado

Emily Arvizo

Leann Bernal

Carlie Patrice Clipson

Shelbie Corbett

Isabella Rose Davies

Hannah Edelstein

Alexandra Espinosa

Paloma Flores

Victoria Garza

Daniela Maria Guzman

Danniell Hale

Harli Hannaman

Bianca Harris

Tara Viren Hazarika

Victoria Hinojos

Steffani Hunter

Isabel Inguanzo

Sugeily Jarmon

Ania Sophia Laguna

Victoria Longo

Ana Paulina Alardin Martinez

Kimberly McCarthy

Erin McCleary

Sarah Michaels

Calista Nevares

Sophia Isela Ortiz

Sofia Perez

Alexa Pineda

Amanda Ramirez

Sabrina Riebeling

Andrea Renee Rivas

Audrey Lyn Romero

Alexandria Sikes

Lily Stewart

Chloe Traskauskas

Madison Villarreal

Bronze Award Recipients

Christen Adams

Meilani D. Albarda

Sofia Alcorta

Nikki Aleman

Victoria Amador

Selika Aradillas

Ciara Grace Barnett

Bailee Bishop

Gracie Botello

Danielle Cabello

Evelyn Rose Cantu

Maritzela Cardenas

Samantha Cardenas

Genevieve Cass

Sarah Castillo

Kristelle Castillo

Solangel Castro

Alexa Lorraine Cavazos

Julissa Cavazos

Kaylie Elizabeth Chapa

Nadia Cuellar

Sasha Donez

Amrita Dongre

Emily Dreyer

Kaley Christine Dunivant

Caitlin Nicole Dwyer

Lily Espinosa

Gabriella Garcia

Sofia Marcela Garcia

Valerie Garcia

Anna Lisa Garza

Chloe Garza

Emma Garza

Kimberly Garza

Saray Garza

Abigail Gonzalez

Anissa Magadalis Gonzalez

Melissa Guerra

Victoria Guillen

Rebecca Gutierrez

Camryn Hale

Annika Harl

Sophia Harris

Nadia E. Hernandez

Celeste Herrera

Rebecca Lyn Johnson

Sylvia M. Jones

Samantha Kalchik

Jazzy Kornegay

Marisel Lemos

Jaqueline Lopez

Abbigail Lyons

Arianna Martinez

Daniela A. Martinez

Giselle Marie Martinez

Valerie Martinez

Meagan A. McKenna

Briannah Mejias

Elisa Briones-Meza

Alexandra Lamar Mireles

Kira Montgomery

Miranda Montgomery

Julia Moore

Anna Larissa Ortiz

Nicole Pachicano

Norma Isabel Padron

Marcella A. Pena

Jenna Porter

Jessica Porter

Gabriela Ramirez

Paola Ramon

Jovana Bella Ramos

Madelyn Rae Rendon

Aleda Yvonne Reyes

Erica Rios

Lauren Rivera

Mariclara Marrero Rivera

Anali Rodriguez

Ashley Rodriguez

Briannah Rodriguez

Kaylie Rodriguez

Lily Rodriguez

Sofia Rodriguez

Erika Romero

Madalyn Ruiz

Ariana Sanchez

Marisa Sanchez

Axielys Flores-Santos

Samantha Solis

Sierra Solis

Adeline Sowles

Brianna Sturm

Iris Sustaita

Christina Trott

Ella Troup

Amelia Tuller

Ashley Villarreal

Alexa Waldrop

Gabriela Beatriz Wilson

Jaelyn Zapata

2013-2014 Friends of Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas

\$5,000 and Above

Brownsville Foundation for Health & Education
Cardenas Development Co.
CDBG Harlingen
Citgo
Coastal Bend Foundation
Green Mountain Energy
Kenedy Foundation

Loring Cook Foundation
Guadalupe & Lilia Martinez Foundation
Margaret and Robert McAllen
Bennie and Charles Thompson
Raul Tijerina Jr. Foundation
Trull Foundation
United Way Calhoun County

United Way of the Coastal Bend
United Way of Laredo
United Way of Northern
Cameron County
United Way of South Texas
Urban County
Valero Energy Foundation

\$2,500-\$4,999

BBVA Compass Bank
Frank Boggus Investments Ltd.
CDBG Edinburg
CDBG McAllen
Albert & Mary Dick Trust
Norbert & Ruthie Ewers
First Community Bank

First National Bank
Ford Foundation
HEB
IBC Bank
Magic Valley Electric Co-Op
City of McAllen
Peacock General Contractors, Inc.

Carol Rausch
Bill & Susie Robertson
Glen & Rita K. Roney
Michael & Laura Urbis
Valley Baptist Health Systems
Wells Fargo
Albert & Myrtle Gunn York Trust

\$1,000-\$2,499

Dorothy N. Adair
Atlas Hall & Rodriguez
Morris & Rita Atlas
Lynne Beeching
Birdies for Charity
JP Morgan Chase
Sandy Chisolm
Conoco Phillips
Robert Duncan
Falcon International Bank
Bobby & Robin Farris
Teresa French

Frost Bank
Harlingen Medical Center
Daniel Hastings
Kiwanis-Victoria
Judy & Robert Kunkel
Carolyn Cook Landrum
Hon. Janet Leal
Looney-Montgomery Foundation
Lea A. Peacock
O'Conner & Hewitt
Port of Corpus Christi
Rio Grande Regional Hospital

Rotary Club of Harlingen
Neal and Lourdes Simmons Foundation
Carolyn Sumter
Tennessee Pipeline
Texas Gas Service
Texas Regional Bank
John Ulbricht
United Way- Aransas County
UTPA Alumni Foundation
Vantage Bank
Westside Business Association

\$500-\$999

Trudie Abbott
Denise Almon
Sylvia Anciso
Edna Arriaga
Nancy Beyer
Doug & Elaine Bready
Bob & Patty Duncan
Brenda Miller-Ferguson

Mario Gracia
Maxine Guerra
Harlingen Family Dentistry
Wendi Horrell
Kiwanis-Corpus Christi
Kohl's
Rollins & Amalie Koppel Foundation
Laredo Medical Center

Norma Lopez
City of McAllen
Dr. Nolan Perez
United Way-Jackson Co.
Wal-Mart Foundation
Carmen Yzaguirre

\$100-\$499

Lydia Aleman
William & Brenda K. Aston
Calvin Bentsen
Terry Blevins
Jack Bloomfield
Anita Boswell
Deborah F. Branch
Rosemary Breedlove
Libby Brown
Sydney P. Brown
Beverly Buckley
Lourdes Cano
Angela Cardenas
Veronica Castillon
Frances Cervantes
Shirley Chester
Joy Cocke
James W. Collins
Mellena Conner
Vannie Cook Cancer Center
Shauna Cooke
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Angie Garrison
Jenna Garza
Sally Gavlik
Steve Gerber
Marissa Gomez
Liza E. Gonzalez
D. Graves
Robert Grider
Andrew Hagan
Mary Helen Harris
Robert and HJ Hill
Hochliem Prarie
Marie Hodgins
Cecilia Johnson
Elizabeth Johnson
K. Kavanaugh
Derald Lary
Victor Leal
Lions Club-Victoria
Alejandra Llamas
Rep. Oscar Longoria
Sandy Mann
Alexandra Manrique
Georgiana Matz
Anne Klein McCullough
Robert McDaniel

Sharon McGhee
Claudia Menchaca
Paula Moxley
Joellyn Nelson
Cissie Nesmith
Athena Mayorga Phillips
Abraham Quiroga
Rio Arch, Inc.
Robichaux Foundation
Connie Salas
Reba Showers
C.R. Simmons
Sharon Stewart
Kristina Stillsmoking
Ben Villalon
Jolene Vitko
Shayne Voorheis
Jeanne Weigand
Kelly Wildes
Norma Linda Zepeda
KayCee Zuniga

GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER SOUTH TEXAS
 STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
 September 30, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,627,910	\$ 1,495,262
Investments	22,554	20,885
Pledges receivable	180,469	185,238
Other receivables	1,490	3,237
Inventories	100,862	113,995
Prepaid expenses	21,647	17,377
Cash restricted by endowments and donors	129,952	111,991
Restricted outreach grant receivable	23,275	-----
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	2,521,601	2,581,386
Other assets	<u>2,369</u>	<u>2,369</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 4,632,129</u>	<u>\$ 4,531,740</u>
 LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 50,099	\$ 68,333
Accrued expenses	3,869	7,034
Deferred revenue	9,388	11,504
Compensated absences	29,100	33,513
Note Payable	<u>280,812</u>	<u>401,851</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>378,268</u>	<u>522,235</u>
 NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted, undesignated	3,245,783	2,997,289
Board designated reserve fund	675,000	675,000
Temporarily restricted	296,562	300,700
Permanently restricted	<u>36,516</u>	<u>36,516</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>4,253,861</u>	<u>4,009,505</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 4,632,129</u>	<u>\$ 4,531,740</u>

Wings

WINGS is a program designed by women for women to create the largest fund established to directly benefit girls in the 26 county jurisdiction of Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas. The WINGS program offers a convenient way to make a contribution and give a voice to girls' dreams and realize their ambitions through activities that will enable them to develop skills required to move forward with confidence in an ever changing world.

Women Investing in Girl Scouts

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Val La Mantia Peisen
Jamie Pyle
Barbara Sue Tucker
Blanca Vela *

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Zelma Almaraz
Denise Almon
Cruz Alvarez
Ofelia Alvarez
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Nicolette Aundrea Aranjon
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Terry Blevins
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