

Quick Facts

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas Initiatives

Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

Grade Levels

Girl Scout Daisies.....K-Grade 1
 Girl Scout Brownies.....Grades 2-3
 Girl Scout Juniors.....Grades 4-5
 Girl Scout Cadettes.....Grades 6-8
 Girl Scout Seniors.....Grades 9-10
 Girl Scout Ambassadors.....Grades 11-12

Girl Scout Membership

Girl Membership.....17,100
 Adult Membership.....3,075

Properties

Corpus Christi Service Center
 Harlingen Service Center
 Laredo Service Center
 McAllen Service Center
 Victoria Service Center

Camps

Camp Bayview
 Camp Greenhill

26 Counties Served

Aransas	Jackson	Nueces
Bee	Jim Hogg	Refugio
Brooks	Jim Wells	San Patricio
Calhoun	Kenedy	Starr
Cameron	Kleburg	Victoria
DeWitt	LaSalle	Webb
Duval	Lavaca	Willacy
Goliad	Live Oak	Zapata
Hidalgo	McMullen	

Leadership

According to GSRI, *Girl Scouting Works: An Alumnae Impact Study* (2012), 62 percent of Girl Scout alumnae think of themselves as leaders. In another study, *Change It Up: What Girls Say About Leadership*, girls said they aspired to a leadership style that served a greater purpose. In fact, 68 percent want to be the type of leader who stands up for her beliefs and values. Girls develop skills through activities that promote responsibility, self-discipline, listening skills, teamwork and the ability to direct and delegate. These skills prepare girls for every career field and are essential to achieving goals.

Girls also build leadership skills by earning their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. The Gold Award is the highest honor in Girl Scouting and requires 80 hours of planning, implementation and evaluation of an original leadership project that benefits her community. The Bronze and Silver Awards are also journeys through leadership skills, career explorations, self-improvement and service.

Financial Empowerment

For a century, Girl Scouts has made financial literacy an integral part of its programming and activities for K-12 girls. Once a year, nearly 1.7 million Girl Scouts around the country venture into the entrepreneurial world to learn business and financial skills, and to earn money to fund their Girl Scout goals. The Girl Scout Cookie Program is often girls' first introduction to business planning and money management.

Outreach Program

Our outreach programs provide opportunities to girls in underserved areas who would not have had the opportunity to participate in traditional Girl Scout pathways. GSGST focuses on ways to minimize barriers to Girl Scouting such as language, lack of volunteers, lack of parental availability, lack of transportation and lack of financial resources. GSGST delivers science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs and anti-bullying program through this initiative.

