



Special Needs Scouting Service Award Nomination Form

The Special Needs Scouting Service Award recognizes and may be earned by adult volunteers and professionals whose active and outstanding service

- Involves working with Scouts who have disabilities or special needs
- Promotes awareness of disabilities and special needs in Scouting
- Advocates the recruitment, inclusion, and full participation of members who have disabilities or special needs in the programs of the Boy Scouts of America

Candidate's Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Country _____ Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____

Email _____

Occupation _____ Scouting position _____

Council Approval

On _____, the _____
(Date) (Council name)

Council, BSA, approves the applicant as worthy of this award.

(Council Committee chair's signature)

(Scout executive's signature)

Requirements Accomplished

1. Be a registered adult or professional BSA staff, and maintain current Youth Protection Training.

(approved by)

2. Actively participate in activities with youth who have disabilities or special needs at the unit (pack, troop, or crew), district, council, area, regional, or national level for three years.

(date)

(position)

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(position)

Complete six of the following 12 requirements:

3. Attend a training seminar or conference on disabilities and special needs sponsored and conducted by the BSA or through an organization that serves youth or adults with disabilities and special needs (e.g., The Arc, blind associations, cerebral palsy agencies, independent living resource centers, autism societies, Special Olympics).

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4. Present one of the nationally approved disabilities and special needs classes (e.g., classes within the College of Commissioner Science curriculum or classes prepared by the National Disabilities Awareness Task Force) at any level.

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5. Serve as a staff member at a district, council, area, regional, or national event on the theme of youth with disabilities or special needs in Scouting.

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6. Create and organize a unit (pack, troop, or crew) that primarily serves youth with disabilities or special needs but is open for membership by youth without disabilities or special needs.

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7. Serve as a mentor for a Scout who has a disability or special need for six months.

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8. Serve as a group discussion leader on Scouting for youth with disabilities or special needs. Do this at a roundtable or district commissioner meeting or similar gathering of volunteer or professional Scouters.

Description:

9. Promote and assist in organizing and conducting an outdoor event for youth with disabilities or special needs, or an outdoor event that promotes disabilities awareness and acceptance among those who don't have a disability.

Description:

10. Recruit and register two adults to volunteer in providing Scouting opportunities to youth with disabilities or special needs, or recruit two youth with disabilities or special needs to join Scouting and remain members for one year.

Description:

11. Assist the district or council in forming a partnership with an organization that serves individuals with disabilities or special needs.

Description:

12. For two years, actively serve on a district, council, area, regional, or national committee on Scouting with disabilities/special needs.

Description:

13. Assist the local council in efforts to raise funds for Scouts with disabilities or special needs to participate in activities within the Scouting program.

Description:

14. Assist the local council in a public awareness campaign to heighten knowledge of Scouting with disabilities and special needs.

Description: