



2023 FAMILY FRIENDS OF SCOUTING AWARDS TO BE HELPFUL TO A UNIT'S BUDGET!

Units that fairly share in the Council's direct service by participating in the Friends of Scouting program are eligible for free advancement recognition items and Bay-Lakes Council Camp Credits when the requirements below are achieved. Unit fundraising goals are set by the District Friends of Scouting team and determined by a combination of factors including youth membership, participation in the Family Friends of Scouting campaign, and timely responses.

REQUIREMENTS AND DATES TO QUALIFY FOR ALL AWARDS:

1. Unit signs up by February 1, 2023, for Family Friends of Scouting presentation. Presentation to happen for their unit by May 31, 2023.
2. Unit goal is achieved and turned in to the Bay-Lakes Council Service Center by May 31, 2023.

Base Goal Recognition is available to units that achieve their base unit goal, as calculated by the District Friends of Scouting team, through pledges and cash donations submitted to the Bay-Lakes Council Service Center by May 31, 2023. These units will receive the following opportunities:

1. **Free cloth rank advancement badges* (does not include belt loops).** Free advancement items apply from the date a unit achieves their base goal (with donation totals turned into the Bay-Lakes Council Service Center) until May 31, 2024.
 2. The unit will also receive a \$25.00 Camp Credit to use at a Bay-Lakes Council summer camp for the 2023 camping season.
- Once the unit's base goal achievement has been verified, a letter will be mailed to the Unit Leader/Committee Chair confirming their award.

Stretch Goal Recognition is available to units that achieve their stretch unit goal, as calculated by the District Friends of Scouting team, through pledges and cash donations submitted to the Bay-Lakes Council Service Center by May 31, 2023. These units will receive the following opportunities:

1. **Free cloth rank advancement badges*, Cub Scout Required Adventure belt loops, Required Webelos Pins, Merit Badges, TRUST Award, Ranger Award, and Quest Award only.** Free advancement items supplied from the date a unit achieves their stretch goal (with donation totals turned into the Bay-Lakes Council Service Center) until May 31, 2024.
 2. The unit will also receive a \$100 Camp Credit to use at a Bay-Lakes Council summer camp for the 2023 camping season.
- Once the unit's stretch goal achievement has been verified, a letter will be mailed to the Unit Leader/Committee Chair confirming their award.

*Rank advancements only include: Cub Scout ranks: Bobcat, Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light; Scouts BSA ranks: Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and Eagle; Venturing: Venturing Award, Discovery Award, Pathfinder Award, and Summit Award.

Redemption of the free cloth advancements are valid only at the Bay-Lakes Council Scout Shop

ADVANCEMENT REPORT FORMS ARE REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE ADVANCEMENT ITEMS