

## *Preparing Vermont's Youth for Life*

GREEN MOUNTAIN  
BOY SCOUTS



COUNCIL  
OF AMERICA

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Dear Parent(s),

Happy New Year to you and your family and a new year "thank you" for your support of the Boy Scouts of America! We hope and trust your experience has been a positive one and that you and your son(s) are learning while having fun!

As we launch a new year of Scouting in Vermont, we wanted to ask for your help in ensuring the boys and leaders in the units across the state have the necessary resources to implement an exciting and well planned year round program. Things like:

- Having enough available dollars to fund the campership program – helping needy families send their son to camp and other Scouting activities.
- Ensuring our camps are maintained and safe for all of the Scouts.
- To ensure the badges, uniforms and uniform parts are in stock and available when needed.
- To be able to have and maintain the Green Mountain Council website with the latest and most up to date information that leaders and parents can access on a regular basis.
- To be able to provide all of the Scouting packs and troops with posters, flyers, banners and yard signs to help promote and grow the Scouting program in the communities.
- To ensure you have a knowledgeable and informative support staff at the Green Mountain Council Service Center who can and will do all they can to provide the best customer support to every unit leader and/or parent of a Scout.
- To have a well-trained, dedicated field staff who will be there to help whenever the need arises and for whatever reason.

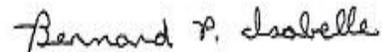
The list goes on, but in summary, the **number one priority for the Green Mountain Council staff and key council and district level volunteer leaders is to make sure your pack, troop, crew or post is strong and growing!**

Your help is needed by considering a donation to the family Friends of Scouting campaign. Friends of Scouting (FOS), is an important source of revenue that helps fund Scouting year round. In the next few months a volunteer or council staff member will be making a presentation in the pack or troop about Friends of Scouting and asking for a small contribution. There is no obligation to give and the presentation is brief and low key. But know that a gift of only \$50.00 a year or about one dollar per week from parents of Scouts would provide the funds to do all of the above and more! Some do more, others less, but every donation of any amount is needed and appreciated. Thank you in advance for being part of the greatest youth organization in America. We are changing lives one boy, one family at a time.

Sincerely,



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