



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

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Scout Assistance Fund

The leadership of the Occoneechee Council believes that Scouting should be available and affordable to all youth, regardless of their family's ability to pay. The Scout Assistance Fund is available to help alleviate the costs associated with Scouting. The Scout Assistance Fund has been created for families to receive financial assistance for a variety of expenses including:

- Camps and activities (Council or District sponsored)
- Uniforms and Handbooks
- Leadership Training
- BSA National Registration Fees
- Occoneechee Council Fees

This Scout Assistance Fund is made possible by contributions/investments in character by:

- Our Friends of Scouting donors
- United Way allocations and grants
- Designations from donors through United Way and CFC
- Product Sale proceeds (Popcorn and Scout Cards)
- Foundation Request

A team of volunteers has set **Assistance Request Guidelines** for the review of submitted applications. Some questions that the committee takes into consideration include:

- Is the unit providing opportunities for its Scouts to help earn funds to pay their way (i.e. selling popcorn or Scout cards, etc.)?
- Is a parent or parents willing to provide their time and is involved as a leader or helper with the units?
- Are multiple youth and /or adults from the same family involved in Scouting?



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Most requests will be considered at a maximum of 50% of assistance provided for the item/event cost to encourage Scouts to help pay for part of their experience and to be able to assist a larger number of Scouts and their family.

Scout Assistance Application Form

The Application is due a minimum of 90 days prior to the event or camp. Forms may be mailed or emailed.