

# Volunteer Opportunities

## February-May 2024

### Who can volunteer?

#### Program Aides

Girls entering grades 6-12

Have fun, strengthen your leadership skills, and meet new friends while working directly with younger girls. There are no registration fees for events when Program Aides register to assist, and you will need to be at least two years older than the girls you are working with. You may want to consider attending Program Aide Training (encouraged but not required). Training gives you hints and tips for working with younger Girl Scouts.

#### Adult Volunteers

Share your passion, have fun, and positively impact girls' lives. Activities are already created, and materials are provided. Some events may require a specific skill, such as outdoor cooking, but most require no prior knowledge. Come learn a new skill with us!

#### How can I sign up?

All Program Aides must be registered Girl Scouts. Adult volunteers working directly with Girl Scouts must complete a background check. To volunteer or receive more information, email [customercare@gswise.org](mailto:customercare@gswise.org) or call 800-565-4475 and ask for volunteer opportunities or follow the registration link in the listing when applicable.

Be a part of the excitement as you help Girl Scouts lead, laugh, and learn. Adult and teen volunteers are needed to assist with a variety of activities including council events, service unit events, camp, recruitment events, trainings, and more! Volunteering is very flexible. Read the session descriptions listed inside and pick the topics, dates, and number of volunteer opportunities that fit your passion and schedule!

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#### February

#### Confectioner's Delight

##### Grades 4-12

Become a chocolatier as you make painted chocolates, gummy candies, and hot cocoa bombs. Design a logo, perfect your gift wrapping, and of course, be the official taste tester of your new candy business.

*Fri., Feb. 9, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha*

#### Sweet Shoppe

##### Grades K-3

Explore the science of candy making as you make chocolate candies and gummies. Make a candy lei to wear and get creative with your candy packaging. The best part of this event is the taste testing! Take your candy mold home to continue the fun and start your own candy business.

*Sat., Feb. 10, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha*

#### March

#### Outdoor Journey Jumpstart

##### Grades 4-12

Join us this spring to get a jumpstart on your Outdoor Girl Scout Journey! Dig deeper into your interests and use what you learn along the way to make a difference in your community. Completing a Journey is also the first step for earning your Bronze Award (grades 4-5), Silver Award (grades 6-8), or Gold Award (grades 9-12), and we can help you get started!

Girl Scouts will divide up by grade level to complete a variety of activities to earn the first badge in their Journey. Troop leaders will facilitate activities with their troop under the guidance of program staff and volunteers. Girl Scouts will also receive a program kit with all the materials and activity directions they need to complete the second and third badges in the Journey on their own with the support of their troop leaders or parents/guardians. While the Girl Scouts are completing their activities, a mini adult enrichment session offered during the event will help set up adults for success in supporting their Girl Scouts in next steps.

*Sat., Mar. 16, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Camp Alice Chester, East Troy*

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## April

### Archery PA/CIT

If you assist with archery programming at your summer day camp and are interested in assisting at our spring archery events, contact Lori Kasun at [Lkasun@gswise.org](mailto:Lkasun@gswise.org) for more information or details.

### Girl Scout Tree Promise

#### Grades K-12

Join us to celebrate Arbor Day and make the world a better place! Become a citizen scientist and collect forestry data to help scientists around the world. Learn about the amazing power of one tree, help clear camp of harmful invasive species, plant a tree, and craft with recycled paper.

*Sat., Apr. 20, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Camp Alice Chester, East Troy*

## May

### Out of This World Art and Movie Night

#### Grades K-12

Design an astronaut boot, create a constellation lantern to illuminate the trail on a night hike, challenge yourself on the ninja course, and make a galaxy coaster. Then, join us under the stars for stargazing, and enjoy s'mores, popcorn, and rocket fuel (juice) while watching Wall-E in our new amphitheater.

*Fri., May 3, 6:00-9:30 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha*

### Go Camping

#### Grades 2-3

Become an expert camper on your first overnight trip with experienced staff or volunteers supporting you. Or, attend just for the day to learn the skills with your Girl Scouts. Learn how to do a flag ceremony, practice your knot tying with friendship bracelets, and learn how to build and cook over a fire. Overnighters will follow the trail signs on a glow-in-the dark night hike (weather dependent). Overnight troops/groups will provide their own meals; meal suggestions will be included in your confirmation.

*Sat., May 18, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Camp Silver Brook, West Bend*

*Sat., May 18, 1:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Camp Silver Brook, West Bend*

### Starter Troops/Community Troops

Starter Troops are facilitator/volunteer-run troops with the goal of transitioning to a volunteer-led troop. Starter Troops typically meet for 4-6 meetings over a span of 4-6 weeks before transitioning to volunteer leadership. During the initial 4-6 meetings, facilitators/volunteers work to provide Girl Scout programming to interested girls while identifying and mentoring potential leaders. Girls who are interested in becoming Girl Scouts attend Starter Troop meetings with a parent/guardian. Dates and times are flexible and dependent on facilitator/volunteer availability. Curriculum is provided. Contact Customer Care at [customercare@gswise.org](mailto:customercare@gswise.org) for more information.

### Cookie Program Volunteers

Assist with pre-packing cookie selling materials. All Girl Scouts 5th grade and older and adult volunteers are welcome. Additional opportunities to assist with packing cookie orders, sorting cookie patches, cookie cupboard stocking, and general office help will be available later in February and March. Contact Customer Care at [customercare@gswise.org](mailto:customercare@gswise.org) to find out more or to sign up.

*Times and dates TBD, Milwaukee Service Center, Chinook Program Center, and various delivery sites available.*

### Media Girls Program Volunteer

Lead girls in exploring careers in media and communications! Share your professional expertise in journalism, social media, public speaking, and more through GSWISE's new hands-on program designed for Juniors-Ambassadors.

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