Volunteer Opportunities September 2024-January 2025



Who can volunteer?

Program Aides

Girl Scouts entering grades 6-12

Have fun, strengthen your leadership skills, and meet new friends while working directly with younger Girl Scouts. 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 Girl Scouts 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 Girl Scouts' 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 be a registered member and complete a background check. To volunteer or receive more information, email *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!



Volunteer Opportunities

September 2024

Archery/Hatchet Throwing Events

Grades 6-12

Experienced archery Program Aides needed to assist with a variety of archery and hatchet throwing sessions throughout the day. Come for the full day or just for part of it.

Sat., Sept. 14, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Camp Alice Chester, East Troy

Sun., Sept. 15, 12:30-4:45 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha

Sat., Sept. 28, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Trefoil Oaks Program Center, Kenosha

Girl Scouts Love State Parks

Grades 6-12

Celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend! Lead activities for park guests and promote Girl Scouts.

Sat., Sept. 14, time and location TBD

Sun., Sept. 15, time and location TBD



October 2024

Archery/Hatchet Throwing Events

Grades 6-12

Experienced archery Program Aides needed to assist with a variety of archery and hatchet throwing sessions throughout the day. Come for the full day or just for part of it

Sat., Oct. 19, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha

Sun., Oct. 20, 12:30-4:45 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha

Camp Alice Chester 100th Anniversary Celebration

Grades K-12

Experience camp through the decades and join us at Camp Alice Chester for the 100th year of camp celebration! Enjoy your favorite camp activities in this open house style event, including archery, rock climbing, hatchet throwing, sports and games, arts n' crafts, s'mores, scavenger hunts, letterboxing, campfire songs, and more. Some activities will look familiar, and some may have a new twist as we explore activities and badgework of the past 100 years. See how camping at GSWISE has developed as we celebrate and explore the timeline of current and past camps. Leave your mark on camp with our 100th Anniversary signature activity and join in on the group photo. Bring your aunt, cousin, parent/guardian, and grandmother who was a Girl Scout in southeast Wisconsin for a nostalgic lookback of all things camp and a snapshot of today and the future. Snacks/food and special 100th Anniversary items at the Trading Post will be available.

Register to volunteer: https://gswise.jotform.com/241623088192861

Sat., Oct. 5, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Camp Alice Chester, East Troy

Girl Scout Day at the Milwaukee County Zoo

Grades 6-12

Help support our Girl Scout Day at the Milwaukee County Zoo. Tasks may include greeting, leading an activity station, distributing patches, handing out snacks, and more. All event volunteers and Program Aides assigned will receive free entrance to the zoo (ticket admission and parking with adult tickets) and will only work half the event so you can still enjoy the zoo. Note that all Program Aides are required to attend with an adult chaperone.

Register to volunteer by Sept. 29: https://gswise.jotform.com/ 241623713053852

Sun., Oct. 13, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Milwaukee County Zoo, Milwaukee

Volunteer Opportunities

November 2024

Archery/Hatchet Throwing Events

Grades 6-12

Experienced archery Program Aides needed to assist with a variety of archery and hatchet throwing sessions throughout the day. Come for the full day or just for part of it.

Sat., Nov. 2, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Camp Silver Brook, West Bend

Fall Product Program Volunteers

Assist with pulling and packing troop fall product orders at various delivery sites. All Girl Scouts 5th grade and older and adult volunteers are welcome to volunteer. Multiple dates, times, and locations available. Contact Customer Care at *customercare@gswise.org* for more information or to sign up.

Thu.-Sat., Nov. 9-11, multiple dates, times, locations available

Go Camping

Grades 6-12

Help younger Girl Scouts become expert campers and prepare for their first overnight trip. Teach Girl Scouts and leaders how to do a flag ceremony, practice knot tying skills with friendship bracelets, and building and cooking over a fire. While campers will stay overnight, volunteers will not.

Sat., Nov. 9, 12:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Camp Silver Brook, West Bend

Sat., Nov. 10, 12:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Camp Silver Brook, West Bend

Stitch Studio

Adults and Program Aides experienced with machine sewing

Lead Girl Scouts in grades 4+ in hands-on sewing activities. Teach basic hand sewing stitches to create a starfish pillow pal and teach machine sewing to sew fabric headbands.

Mon., Nov. 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha

December 2024

Monkeying Around

Grades 6-12

Help younger Girl Scouts explore computer science while learning to program a LEGO robot monkey to play the drums and write code for their monkey to solve a series of puzzles. Using their new knowledge of algorithms, Girl Scouts will see if they can program their friend to make a sweet banana treat.

Tue., Dec. 10, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha

January 2025

Cookie Rally with the Milwaukee Admirals

Grades 6-12

Help support our Cookie Rally with the Milwaukee Admirals by leading an activity station. All event volunteers and Program Aides assigned will receive free entrance to the game. Note that all Program Aides are required to attend with an adult chaperone.

Sat., Jan. 25, 3:30-5:30 p.m. (Cookie Rally), 6:00 p.m. (hockey game begins), UW-Milwaukee Panther Arena

Innovation Station

Grades 6-12

Are you ready for a challenge? See if you have what it takes to design solutions and conquer challenges. Help younger Girl Scouts through design challenges to build a catapult to launch pom poms at a target, build a spring car to race down a track, and build a boat and see how many weights it takes to sink it!

Sat., Jan. 11, 9:00-11:30 a.m., Chinook Program Center, Waukesha



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* 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* to find out more or to sign up.

January 2025, 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.

Dates and times TBD.

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