



# Connections

Girl Scouts of Utah | Monthly Donor Update

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## **Why I Give: Nola Adams**



Nola Adams was a Girl Scout when she was younger for three years until her troop disbanded. She then found her way back to Girl Scouting about 23 years ago, after her daughter saw a flyer at school and begged to join. Quickly Nola started to grow her involvement, becoming the troop cookie manager for her daughter's first troop, then becoming a co-leader, and now a leader.

Nola's two daughters continued through Girl Scouts until they aged out, and at that time, Nola considered stepping away but felt there was too much of a need in the community for other girls to be in Girl Scouts, including her granddaughters. Nola now works with an older girls and helps run a troop of 20 active Girl Scouts.

While reflecting on her fond memories of Girl Scouts, Nola said, "Everywhere I go, I run into people I have connections to through Girl Scouts. It is something you have your entire life. The connections and memories." Girl Scouts has been one of the best experiences of her life, the comradery of the adults, the opportunity to watch girls develop and grow makes Girl Scouts her family

forever.

Nola says she gives because she wants to ensure that as many girls as possible are ready for the 'real' world. And she hopes they will be more prepared for adulthood than she felt she was.

In Nola's eyes, nothing compares to Girls Scouts.

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### **Partner Spotlight: Maverik**

Girl Scouts of Utah wants to ensure that every girl who wants to be a Girl Scout has the opportunity. Through a partnership with Maverik, we are making that dream possible. Support from Maverik provides funding for new troop start-up costs and offers girls opportunities and experiences they might not otherwise.

Last year, more than 200 girls benefitted from the Maverik partnership. In Salt Lake City, Troop 1668 planned a community food drive for the holidays. In Ogden, Troop 1616 learned etiquette, how to be kind, and give to elders. In Price, Troop 1626 has given girls and adult volunteers the space to find friendships they typically wouldn't have had. This partnership with Maverik has given girls the tools to solve problems, find their voices, and make a lasting difference in the world.





## **A Successful New Year's Eve Bash in the Books**

Over the winter break, 30 Girl Scouts gathered at Trefoil Ranch to ring in the new year during a three-day, two-night event. Campers explored a very wintry Trefoil Ranch, created masterpieces in the woodshop, decorated cupcakes, and enjoyed a crazy utensil meal before counting down to 2023.

We are so excited we could bring this program back to our members after not having the ability to hold this event in person for the past two years.

Your donations are hard at work, funding things like uniforms, camperships, and programs like these.

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## **Join The Juliette Gordon Low Society**

Girl Scouts of Utah is grateful to lifelong donors with the Juliette Gordon Low Society. Their financial support reflects our founder's forward-thinking vision and personal commitment to building a future of promise for girls. Most importantly, their donations help build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

You can support the upcoming generation of girls -- and be remembered through the Juliette Gordon Low Society -- when you leave a legacy or planned gift, naming Girl Scouts of Utah as a part or as a full beneficiary on a life insurance or retirement plan.

If you'd like more ideas or information on how to give, please contact Carrie Valentine Fuller [cvfuller@gsutah.org](mailto:cvfuller@gsutah.org).

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