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Girl Scouts Love State Parks at Dead Horse Point State Park

Celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks at Dead Horse Point State Park this year! Immerse yourself in the splendor of Utah's unique red rock desert.

Watch the full moon rise over the desert and join a Park Ranger for a hike lit by

moonlight to the Desert View Overlook. Learn about nocturnal animals of the Colorado Plateau as you journey towards a stunning view of the Colorado River.

 **Action needed:** [Register for this program](#) early and start planning your visit to southern Utah today! Or check out our other [two partner programs](#) at the State Parks on September 10.

Summer Reminders for Troop Leaders


- Send your Troop Finance Report to the GSU Finance Dept. ASAP (original due date June 30)
 - Renew for the new Girl Scout year that begins October 1, 2022
 - Make sure your troop meets adult / girl ratios – if you need help contact your Membership Support Specialist: info@gsutah.org or 801-265-8472
 - Prepare for Fall Product Program – be sure you have your TPM assigned, [agreement & ACH authorization](#) sent to council by August 15
 - [Fall Product Program](#) Information
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Highest Awards Tip of the Month

A core part of your Girl Scout's Highest Awards project will be measuring the impact of their project. If they measure their results as part of their efforts, they'll be able to speak confidently about the difference they have made in their community and measure the impact on their root cause.

When your Girl Scouts are in the planning stages, they should set a goal to help them know what to measure and when. Their goal may change as their project progresses, but this will help them understand when they have been successful and allows them to work towards a direction. When measuring, have your Girl Scouts consider the questions “How much?” and “How many?”. They might be counting the number of members in a group or views on a website. Or, if your Girl Scouts are trying to educate someone or change their behavior, they may use a pre & post survey to measure how much their participants have learned or assess what behaviors their participants have changed.

A measurable result will also help Girl Scouts talk about their accomplishments and let the world know what a great project they completed!

 **Action needed:** If you have questions about earning a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award, check out our [Highest Awards webpage](#) or contact programs@gsutah.org. You can also learn more about Highest Awards and get others' opinions on your Girl Scout's project ideas by having them attending our next [Highest Awards Chat](#) on August 23. Sign up today!

Summer Training Opportunities for Troop Leaders

- [New Troop Leader Training](#) (virtual/live) – August 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- [CPR/First Aid/AED](#) (in-person) - American Fork – August 6, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Training Available on gsLearn

- Child Protection Training (required to renew annually)
- GSUSA Volunteer Toolkit – Troop Leader View
- Hosting Troop Meetings in Your Home
- Girl Scout Leadership Experience
- Including Girls of All Abilities
- and many more...

Quick Links

- Volunteer trainings and girl programs - [GSU Event Calendar](#)
- Reserve meeting rooms at the NUSC, CRC, and CUSC - [Meetings on Council Premises](#)
- Customizable flyers for troops, social media toolkit for volunteers, VTK, and troop leader blueprint - [Online Support for Volunteers](#)
- Guidelines for in-person activities and troop meeting space at council service centers - [GSU's COVID-19 guidelines](#)
- Schedule programming for your troop with local organizations – [Program Partners](#)

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Service Unit Updates

Service Unit Finance Reports Due

Service Unit finance reports are due to GSU's finance department as soon as possible. The reports were originally due June 30.

Volunteer Recognition

Adult Achievement Awards highlight outstanding volunteers and staff whose contributions to the council enhance the experience of Girl Scouts across our council.

The **GSU Legacy of Service Award** recognizes outstanding contributions made by two or more family members who continue the tradition of service for two or more generations.

The **Appreciation Pin** recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) with impact on one geographic area, service unit, or program delivery audience.


The **Volunteer of Excellence Award** recognizes volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) through the use of the National Program Portfolio or in support of the Council's mission delivery to girls and adult members.

The **GSU Freddie Award** recognizes an adult volunteer who has delivered outstanding service to Girl Scouts of Utah through working with girls and adults in the areas of program and training, and has made a significant contribution to other community organizations (church, school, civic, cultural) through holding a leadership position and/or providing long-term service to that organization.

The **Honor Pin** recognizes an adult volunteer who has provided outstanding service to two or more geographic areas or program delivery audiences in a way that furthers the council's goals and provides service that goes beyond the expectations of the position requirements.


The **Thanks Badge** recognizes a currently registered Girl Scout adult volunteer or staff member who provides outstanding service that benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout Movement and provides service that is so significantly beyond expectation that no other award is appropriate.

Visit the [Volunteer Recognition webpage](#) for a full list of awards and criteria.

 **Action needed:** Girl Scouts of Utah would like to recognize their exceptional work with you! [Submit nominations](#) for council recognition awards by July 29.

Leadership Summit 2022 – Ready. Set. Rally!

Is your team ready for a new year of girl scouts? Are they set with knowledge to help them lead the way? Let's rally together at Leadership Summit!! This year your team can participate in a variety of workshops that will revitalize your passion for the mission and Movement. You can also schedule time with your team to begin planning your year, connect with council staff, and much more! Join us for Leadership Summit 2022 - August 26 & 27 at Trefoil Ranch in beautiful Provo Canyon.

 **Action needed:** [Register for Leadership Summit](#) ; registration closes Sunday, August 15. Friday night is optional. To register your entire team, contact Customer Care at info@gsutah.org or 801-265-8472 with the list of people you would like to register.

Service Unit Finance Rep Training now available on gsLearn

Quick Links

- Council-Provided Resources - [Online Support for Volunteers webpage](#)
- Council Connect recordings, PPTs, and registrations - [Service Unit Team Resources webpage](#)

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- Join the GSU team - [View job openings and apply](#)
- Support GSU Camps - [Amazon Wish Lists](#)
- Salt Lake City and American Fork shop info - [Retail](#)

- Receive ongoing communications from GSU - [COVID-19 Updates](#) & [GSU's Facebook page](#)
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