



REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Individual Membership Subsidy

PHILOSOPHY:

- Girl Scouts of Western Ohio is committed to ensuring that all girls and adults who want to participate in the Girl Scout program, and are willing to make the Girl Scout Promise and to accept the Girl Scout Law, are welcome. No girl will be prevented from participating in Girl Scouting due to financial barriers.
- Membership subsidy is provided to individual girls and adults based on their specific financial need. Girl and adult applicants for membership subsidy *are expected to contribute some portion* of the membership fee, based on the family's financial ability.
- Financial assistance is available on a very limited basis to adults. Assistance may be made available to an adult who is needed to meet required *Safety-Wise* standards.
- Girl Scout troops are encouraged "to designate a portion of their troop treasury for the annual membership dues of their membership." *Safety-Wise, 2000.*
- **NOTE to Troop Leaders/Advisers:**

Based on federal guidelines, the council is required to report the year-end balance of all troop funds. All troops must submit a copy of their current year financial report with the current balances, and bank information to the Girl Scout Center by June 30.

Troops that do not have a troop financial report on file will be ineligible to receive financial assistance from Girl Scouts of Western Ohio including subsidies, and camperships.

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This form must be completely filled out and signed by the leader/adviser in order to approve the subsidy.

Service Unit #: _____ Troop #: _____ Total # of Girls Registered: _____

Please check all that apply:

- New Troop Reregistering Troop
 Yes, I have submitted a Troop/Group Financial Report Form for the previous membership year.

Leader's/Adviser's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Attach to membership forms at the time of registration.

Girl or Adult Names	Girl (x)	Adult (x)	Subsidy Request	Parent/Troop Contribution	TOTAL (\$12 each)
TOTAL (add each column)					

I verify that all troop parents and Girl Scout volunteers have been fully informed of the membership fee and the subsidy guidelines, and that all volunteers and parents of girls listed above, have verified their specific financial need.

Leader's/Adviser's Signature: _____ Date: _____

To be answered by Leader/Adviser:

Would the girl(s) or adult(s) listed above be able to participate in the troop without this subsidy? _____

For Girl Scout Center use only:

Field Team Manager's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notes: _____