Chapter 1: Sharing Your Unique Gifts

No matter how you volunteer with Girl Scouts, your investment of time and energy will pay back tenfold. With your help, girls will be able to identify issues they care about and work with one another to resolve them. Your interests and life experiences make you the perfect person to be a new kind of partner for girls, someone who creates a safe environment where they can work together and each girl feels free to work toward her highest aspirations. Have no doubt: You, and nearly one million other volunteers like you, are helping girls make a lasting impact on the world.

Understanding Your Role as a Girl Scout Volunteer

Your most important role as a Girl Scout volunteer is to be excited about everything this opportunity affords you: a chance to help girls succeed, play a critical role in their lives, and watch them blossom! You also want to be someone who enjoys the activities you'll be embarking on with the girls—whether you're volunteering at a camp, working with girls who are traveling, or partnering with girls on a short-term series on a topic that interests you.

As a Girl Scout volunteer, you'll serve as a partner and role model to girls. You'll also work closely with a co-volunteer, because two adults must be present at all times when working with girls, and at least one of those volunteers must be female and *not* related to the other adult. This is an important distinction that bears repeating: Men can serve as troop volunteers, but an adult female who is not related to the other volunteer must be present at all times, and only in cases of emergency is a girl to be alone with only one volunteer. Remember to also check the adult-to-girl ratios in the Quick-Start Guide and the "Safety-Wise" chapter of this handbook.

Your Responsibilities

Your other responsibilities as a Girl Scout volunteer include:

- Accepting the Girl Scout Promise and Law
- Understanding the Three Keys to Leadership that are the basis of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience: Discover, Connect, and Take Action
- Sharing your knowledge, experience, and skills with a positive and flexible approach
- Working in a partnership with girls so that their activities are girl-led, allow them to learn by doing, and allow for cooperative (group) learning; you'll also partner with other volunteers and council staff for support and guidance
- Organizing fun, interactive, girl-led activities that address relevant issues and match girls' interests and needs
- Providing guidance and information regarding Girl Scout group meetings with girls' parents or guardians on a regular and ongoing basis through a variety of tools, including email, phone calls, newsletters, blogs, other forms of social media, and any other method you choose
- Processing and completing registration forms and other paperwork, such as permission slips
- Communicating effectively and delivering clear, organized, and vibrant presentations or information to an individual or the group
- Overseeing with honesty, integrity, and careful record-keeping the funds that girls raise
- Maintaining a close connection to your volunteer support team
- Facilitating a safe experience for every girl

Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:

To serve God* and my country,

To help people at all times,

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

*Girl Scouts of the USA makes no attempt to define or interpret the word "God" in the Girl Scout Promise. It looks to individual members to establish for themselves the nature of their spiritual beliefs. When making the Girl Scout Promise, individuals may substitute wording appropriate to their own spiritual beliefs for the word "God." ***Note:*** This disclaimer appears in the National Leadership Journey adult guides, but not in the girls' books. It is included here as a reminder to you, as a volunteer, that it's your responsibility to be sensitive to the spiritual beliefs of the girls in your group and to make sure that everyone in the group feels comfortable and included in Girl Scouting. Please feel free to share this information with girls' families.

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be

honest and fair,

friendly and helpful,

considerate and caring,

courageous and strong,

and responsible for what I say and do,

and to

respect myself and others,

respect authority,

use resources wisely,

make the world a better place,

and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

Your Volunteer Support Team

In your role as a Girl Scout volunteer, you'll team up with co-volunteers, parents/guardians, members of the community, council staff, and others who have expressed interest in working alongside you. The adult guide of each Journey gives you tips and guidance for creating a friends-and-family network to support you all along the way.

The other volunteers on your support team may help by:

- Filling in for you
- Arranging meeting places
- Being responsible for communicating with girls and parents/guardians
- Locating adults with special skills to facilitate a specialized meeting
- Assisting with trips and chaperoning
- Managing group records

If you have a large support team, the first thing you'll want to do is meet with this group and discuss what brought each of you to Girl Scouts, review your strengths and skills, and talk about how you would like to work together as a team. You might also discuss:

- When important milestones will happen (Girl Scout cookie activities, field trips, travel plans, events, dates for other opportunities) and how long the planning process will take
- When and where to meet as a group of volunteers, if necessary

- Whether, when, where, and how often to hold parent/guardian meetings
- Whether an advance trip to a destination, event site, or camp needs to happen

Remember to call on your volunteer support team. This team can help you observe a meeting, assign you a buddy, help with registration forms, assist you with opening a bank account, plan your first meeting, and so on. Also plan to attend support meetings—usually held several times throughout the year—that provide excellent opportunities to learn from other volunteers.

Taking Advantage of Learning Opportunities

Girl Scouts strives to provide you with the necessary information to successfully manage your group of girls and to let you know how and where you can get additional information on certain topics when you want to learn more. Volunteer learning is offered in a variety of ways to best meet your unique learning styles: written resources, face-to-face learning, interactive online learning—and additional methods are being developed and tested all the time.

Learn about Girl Scouts online

There's a good chance you've already logged on to http://training.girlscouts.org to watch *Girl Scouting 101* or Volunteering for Girl Scout Series and Events, our self-paced, online orientations to Girl Scouting. If you haven't, please contact your local council for your council-specific passwords. Those online sessions and *Volunteer Essentials* are designed to give you all of the information you need to start working with girls. They're always available; think of them as references you can use whenever you need them.

Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina Training System

Training is vital to the success of a Girl Scout Volunteer. Every potential adult volunteer of Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina is evaluated on their willingness and ability to take training for the position. We offer courses that will give each individual a chance to grow in competency and skills. These courses should be taken with the expectation that they will help volunteers gain confidence in their abilities and understanding of Girl Scouts. There is a $5.00 non-refundable fee for training unless otherwise indicated.

1. Introduction to Girl Scouting:
This is a required training for all prospective troop leaders/assistant leaders. It must be taken prior to starting a new Girl Scout troop. It is facilitated by the Field Director at no cost and last approximately one hour.

2. Girl Scouting 101:
This is a GSUSA required online training for all Leaders and Assistant Leader. It gives an overview of Girl Leadership Experience, the National Girl Scout Program Portfolio, the Three Keys to Leadership as well as the Three Processes. This session take approximately 45 minutes and needs to be completed before coming to Leadership Essentials.

3. GSESC Leadership Essentials:
Leaders and Assistant Leaders are required to take Leadership Essentials training within one month of Introduction to Girl Scouting. This training covers information about GSUSA and GSESC. You will also learn about forms and other information that is needed to be a leader including Emergency Procedures.

4. Portfolios: (Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior and Ambassador)
This workshop will show you how the Journeys and Girl Guide to Girl Scouting tie into one another as well as go over the different awards and recognitions. Take Action Projects will be covered in detail and leaders will learn how to "detour" and make the scouting year fun and exciting for the girls.

5. First Aid/CPR
One adult with current certification in First Aid and CPR is required per troop. If you have a current card, please copy it and send/fax it to the N. Charleston Service Center. Please be sure it is current.

6. Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention offered by Parents Anonymous of South Carolina, Inc.
At least one adult per troop has to take this training. **Moving forward we only accept certification through Parents Anonymous of South Carolina, since they cover all four forms of abuse.**
Children cannot be expected to protect themselves from child abuse. It is the responsibility of adults to be trained in child abuse awareness and prevention. This comprehensive training will empower you to become proactive and an advocate for children. You will learn about the four major types of child abuse: physical, sexual, emotional, and neglect; how to recognize the clues that children give us, the behavior typically shown by perpetrators, and how to make a report to the proper authorities when indicated. When adults are educated in the signs of child abuse and neglect, and how to react to them; children are safer and families are strengthened.

7. Planning Trips with Girls: Prerequisite to the "Troop Camping"
This is a required training for leaders or a registered adult who will be planning and attending trips with girls. Planning trips, staying in hotels, public building and self contained buildings even at camp will be covered. "Safety Wise" Chapter IV in Volunteer Essentials and the Activity Checkpoints will be the main focus of this training along with information about making reservations at our sites. Please bring your Volunteer Essentials with you to this training. This training does not include fire skills.

8. Troop Camping
Since every troop going camping must have at least one troop camper with them, this course is required for a least one adult registered with the troop. To be a troop camper, an adult must be present for the entire training, which teaches basic cooking, outdoor and fire skills. Troop Camping is required for any type of camping either on Girl Scout Property or at other locations. You will learn all the skills you need to teach your girls about the out of doors. It is highly recommended that each troop have a copy of the *Outdoor Education in Girl Scouting* book that is for sale in our Council Shops. ****If you are more than 30 minutes late for this training you will not be given credit, no exceptions.**

9. The Trail from Troop Camping I to Primitive Camping (this training will only be offered upon request)
This training is for all volunteers who, several years ago, attended Troop Camp I and did not get to take Troop Camp II (under the old training modules before 2009). We will cover propane stoves, tents, snakes, insects, plants and compass. You cannot attend Primitive Camping without this training unless you have attended Troop Camp II or Troop Camping in the past. There will be a $10.00 fee for this course and it will be offered in different locations.

10. Primitive Camping
Is your troop ready for primitive camping? This training prepares you to take your troop camping in primitive settings. You will learn about site selection, storing your food, water purification, the basics of pit latrines, creating working surfaces by using lashing skills, and using instinct and previously learned skills. There is a mandatory meeting scheduled before this camping overnight and advanced preparations to complete.

Training Requirements

Adults registering for training courses need to complete the Training Registration Form found in the Forms Sec tion of your Volunteer Essentials or on the GSESC Web page. You **must register** for each class on a separate Training Registration Form so accurate records can be maintained. **The Training Registration Form (Forms Chapter, page 17) needs to be in the North Charleston Service Center at least one week (7 days) before the class unless otherwise indicated.** Be sure to include appropriate fees. Registrations should be delivered or mailed to: Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina, 7951 Dorchester Road, North Charleston, SC 29418 with payment; faxed to: 843-552-6221 or emailed to christinegordon@girlscoutsesc.org.

COSTS

There is a $5.00 non-refundable registration fee for training unless otherwise indicated. All training fees cover the cost of materials and maintenance of the equipment.

Payment must be sent with the Training Registration Form (Forms Chapter, page 17). You will not be enrolled in a class without payment. If you have a question about your registration, please call the Adult Leadership Enhancement Director at 843-552-9910 ext. 239. The fax number is 843-552-6221. **Please do not fax a form without credit card information.**

ATTENDANCE

Please plan to arrive 10 to 15 minutes ahead of time to park, find the training room, sign-in, and get settled. Class will begin at the scheduled time; if you are more than 15 minutes late you will not be given credit for the training. If you are not present for the entire training it is the up to the trainer to decide if you have met the requirements of the training. If you are more than 30 minutes late for Troop Camping or Primitive Camping, you will not be given credit for the training.

CONFIRMATIONS

You will receive a confirmation email at least 24 hours prior to the training. It is therefore important to indicate a working email address on your Training Registration Form. You are welcome to call and confirm receipt of your Training Registration Form.

CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS

Should a session not have the minimum number of participants you will be notified of the cancellation.
If you are unable to attend, call Adult Leadership Enhancement Director immediately. We may have a waiting list of people who need training. **No refunds are given with the exception for emergency situations.**

WHAT TO BRING

Please bring: **Volunteer Essentials, Journey Books, Girls Guide to Girl Scouting, paper, pen/pencil, and your training card.** Bring a lunch and drink if the course extends beyond the noon hour, or a snack and drink for shorter classes. Check course schedule for additional required supplies, i.e. *Outdoor Education in Girl Scouting* for Troop Camping & Primitive Camping.

CHILD CARE

Childcare is **not** available during trainings. This is a great opportunity to use a troop committee member or a troop parent. Children, friends, and other family members **should not** come to training with you unless they are being trained as well.

Training Schedule

Girl Scouting 101

GSUSA designed this online training for all Leaders and Assistant Leaders. **It is a required training and has to be completed prior to attending Leadership Essentials**. This training is about 45 minutes in length. Go to http://training.girlscouts.org and select Girl Scouting 101. The password for this session is: aboutGS101 **.** Since it is self-paced you can complete in one or several session.

Leadership Essentials

Leadership Essentials if required training for all Leaders and Assistant Leaders. The information covered will include contact information for staff, Volunteer Essentials, council policies and procedures, resources, forms and much more.

Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Saturday August 11th, 2012	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 3rd, 2012
Thursday August 16th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday August 9th, 2012
Thursday August 23rd, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday August 16th, 2-12
Saturday September 8th, 2012	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Tuesday September 11th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday September 4th, 2012
Tuesday September 11th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley, TBA	Tuesday September 4th, 2012
Saturday September 15th, 2012	9am-12pm	Mt Pleasant, TBA	Friday September 7th, 2012
Thursday September 27th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday September 20th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	9am-12pm	Beaufort County, TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday October 5th, 2012
Thursday October 18th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday October 11th, 2012
Tuesday October 23rd, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October 16th, 2012
Thursday October 25th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday October 18th 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Saturday November 10th, 2012	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Saturday November 2nd, 2012
Wednesday November 14th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday November 10th,
Thursday November 15th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday November 8th, 2012
Saturday November 17th, 2012	9am-12pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Saturday November 10th, 2012

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Saturday December 1st, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Tuesday December 11th,2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday December 4th, 2012
Thursday December 20th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday December 13th, 2012
Thursday December 20th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday December 13th, 2012
Tuesday January 8th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley, TBA	Thursday January 3rd, 2013
Saturday January 12th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday January 19th, 2013	9am-12pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday January 11th, 2013
Thursday January 24th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday January 17th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Thursday February 21st, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday February 14th, 2013
Saturday March 9th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Wednesday March 13th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday March 6th, 2013
Saturday March 16th, 2013	9am-12pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday March 8th, 2013
Thursday March 21st, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday March 14th, 2013
Wednesday April 10th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday April 3rd, 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 5th, 2013
Tuesday April 16th, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 9th,2013
Thursday April 18th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday April 11th, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Tuesday May 14th, 2013	6-9pm	West Ashley, TBA	Tuesday May 7th, 2013
Thursday May 16th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday May 9th, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Thursday June 20th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday June 13th, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	9am-12pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

Girl Scout Daisy Portfolio

This training required for Leaders and Assistant Leaders who have girls in Grades K-5 and 1st. Information covered includes the Girl Guide to Girl Scouting, Journey resources, parts of a meeting and recognitions.

Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

Date	**Time**	**Place**	**Reg. Deadline**
Saturday August 11th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 3rd, 2012
Thursday August 23rd, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday August 16th, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Wednesday September 12th	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday September 5th,2012
Tuesday September 25th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday September 18th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday October 5th, 2012
Thursday October 18th, 2012	1-4pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday October 11th, 2012
Tuesday October 30th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October 23rd, 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Saturday November 10th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 2nd, 2012
Tuesday November 13th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley, TBA	Tuesday November 6th, 2012
Saturday November 17th, 2012	1-4pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday November 9th, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Wednesday December 12th,	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday December 5th, 2012
Saturday January 12th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Thursday February 21st, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday February 14th, 2013
Thursday February 21st, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday February 14th, 2013
Saturday March 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Saturday March 16th, 2013	1-4pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday March 8th, 2013

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Tuesday April 9th, 2013	6-9pm	West Ashley TBA	Tuesday April 2nd, 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday April 5th, 2013
Thursday April 25th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday April 18th, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

Girl Scout Brownie Portfolio

This training is for Leaders and Assistant Leaders with girls moving from Girl Scout Daisies to Girl Scout Brownies. Information covered includes the Girl Guide to Girl Scouting, Journey resources, parts of a meeting and recognitions.

Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Saturday August 11th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	August 3rd, 2012
Thursday August 23rd, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday August 16th, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Wednesday September 12th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday September 5th,
Tuesday September 25th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday September 18th,
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday October 5th, 2012
Thursday October 18th, 2012	1-4pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday October 11th, 2012
Tuesday October 30th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October 23rd, 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Saturday November 10th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 2nd, 2012
Tuesday November 13th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley, TBA	Tuesday November 6th, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Wednesday December 12th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday December 5th,

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Saturday January 12th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Thursday February 21st, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday February 14th,
Thursday February 21st, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday February 14th,
Saturday March 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Saturday March 16th, 2013	1-4pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday March 8th, 2013
Tuesday April 9th, 2013	6-9pm	West Ashley TBA	Tuesday April 2nd, 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday April 5th, 2013
Tuesday April 23rd, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 16th, 2013
Thursday April 25th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday April 18th, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

Girl Scout Junior Portfolio

This training is for Leaders and Assistant Leaders with girls moving from Girl Scout Brownies to Girl Scout Juniors. Information covered includes the Girl Guide to Girl Scouting, Journey resources, parts of a meeting, the Girl Scout Bronze Award and **other** recognitions.

Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Saturday August 11th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 3rd, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Thursday September 20th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday September 13th, 2012
Tuesday October 9th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October2nd, 2012
Wednesday October 10th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday October 3rd, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday October 5th, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th , 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012

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Saturday November 10th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 2nd, 2012
Tuesday November 13th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday November 6th, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Tuesday December 11th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley TBA	Tuesday December 4th, 2012
Saturday January 12th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday January 19th, 2013	1-4pm	Mt Pleasant TBA	Friday January 11th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Wednesday February 13th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday February 6th, 2013
Saturday March 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Tuesday March 12th, 2013	6-9pm	West Ashley	Tuesday March 5th, 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday April 5th, 2013
Tuesday April 30th, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 23rd, 2013
Wednesday May 8th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday May 1st, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Thursday May 16th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday May 9th, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

Girl Scout Cadette Portfolio

This training is for advisors of Girl Scouts in grades 6, 7 & 8 who will be Girl Scout Cadettes. Information covered includes the Girl Guide to Girl Scouting, Journey resources, parts of a meeting, Girl Scout Silver Award, and *destinations.*

Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

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Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
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Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday October 5th, 2012
Tuesday October 16th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October9th, 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Saturday November 10th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 2nd, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Thursday December 20th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday December 13th, 2012
Saturday January 12th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Saturday March 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday April 5th, 2013
Tuesday May 7th, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 30th, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Thursday May 23rd, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday May 16th, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Thursday June 20th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday June 13th, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

Girl Scout Senior/Ambassadors Portfolio

This training is for advisors of Girl Scouts in grades 9 thru 12 who will be Girl Scout Senior and/or Ambassadors. Information covered includes the Girl Guide to Girl Scouting, Journey resources, parts of a meeting, Girl Scout Gold Award, and *destinations.*

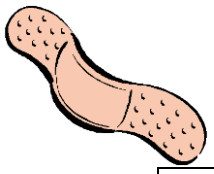
Who:	Registered Girl Scouts Leader and Co-Leader
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training.

Date	**Time**	**Place**	**Reg. Deadline**
Saturday August 11th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 3rd, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
Date	**Time**	**Place**	**Reg. Deadline**
Saturday October 13th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	FridayOctober 5th, 2012
Tuesday October 16th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday October9th, 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	1-4pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Saturday December 8th, 2012	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday November 30th, 2012
Thursday December 20th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday December 13th, 2012
Saturday January 12th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday January 4th, 2013
Saturday February 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday February 1st, 2013
Saturday March 9th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday March 1st 2013
Tuesday May 7th, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 30th, 2013
Saturday April 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday April 5th, 2013
Saturday May 11th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 3rd, 2013
Thursday May 23rd, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday May 16th, 2013
Saturday June 8th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday May 31st, 2013
Thursday June 20th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday June 13th, 2013
Saturday July 13th, 2013	1-4pm	Florence Service Center	Friday July 3rd, 2013

<u>Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention</u> offered by Parents Anonymous of South Carolina, Inc. Children cannot be expected to protect themselves from child abuse. It is the responsibility of adults to be trained in child abuse awareness and prevention. This comprehensive training will empower you to become proactive and an advocate for children. You will learn about the four major types of child abuse: physical, sexual, emotional, and neglect; how to recognize the clues that children give us, the behavior typically shown by perpetrators, and how to make a report to the proper authorities when indicated. When adults are educated in the signs of child abuse and neglect, and how to react to them; children are safer and families are strengthened. **<u>Note:</u> In order to ensure the safety of all Girl Scouts this training is required for one person in each troop. We do encourage anyone who is working directly with girls (attend meeting, chaperone trips) to attend this training.**

Who:	Registered **Adult** Girl Scouts
Fee:	**$5.00 per person**
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 week (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training. Minimum: 20 participants, Maximum: 50 participants

Date	**Time**	**Place**	**Reg. Deadline**
Thursday October 4th, 2012	6-8pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday September 29th, 2012
Thursday October 18th, 2012	6-8pm	Florence Service Center	Thursday October 11th, 2012
Thursday November 8th, 2012	6-8pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday November 1st, 2012
Thursday December 6th, 2012	6-8pm	Beaufort TBA	Thursday November 29th, 2012
Thursday January 10th, 2013	6-8pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday January 3rd, 2013
Thursday January 17th, 2013	6-8pm	Florence Service Center	Thursday, January 10th, 2013
Thursday March 7th, 2013	6-8pm	Beaufort TBA	Thursday February 28th, 2013
Thursday April 4th, 2013	6-8pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday March 28th, 2013



First Aid/CPR Training

This training is required for every troop at their regular meeting time and location. This year we will be offering both Red Cross and American Heart Association Trainings.

Who:	Registered Adult Girl Scouts
Fee:	**$25.00** The cost includes a book. Depending on who the trainer certified through (American Red Cross or American Heart Association) for a particular class will decide which book the participant will receive.
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 weeks (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training. Minimum: 6 participants, Maximum: 12 participants **Please bring a lunch and drink**.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Saturday, August 11th, 2012	9am-5pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, August 3rd, 2012
Saturday, September 8th, 2012	8am-4pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, August 31st, 2012
Saturday, September 15th, 2012	9am-5pm	Florence Service Center	Friday, September 7th, 2012
Saturday, September 22nd, 2012	9am-5pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Friday, September 14th, 2012
Sunday, September 23rd, 2012	9am-5pm	Georgetown TBA	Friday, September 14th, 2012
Saturday, October 13th, 2012	9am-5pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, October 5th, 2012
Saturday, October 20th, 2012	9am-5pm	Florence Service Center	Friday, October 12th, 2012
Saturday, October 27th, 2012	9am-5pm	Georgetown TBA	Friday, October 19th, 2012
Sunday, October 28th, 2012	9am-5pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Friday, October 19th, 2012
Saturday, November 10th, 2012	8am-4pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, November 2nd, 2012
Saturday, January 19th, 2013	9am-5pm	Florence Service Center	Friday, January 11th, 2013
Saturday, February 9th, 2013	9am-5pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, February 1st, 2013
Saturday, March 9th, 2013	8am-4pm	Charleston Service Center	Friday, March 1st, 2013
Saturday, April 20th, 2013	9am-5pm	Florence Service Center	Friday, April 12th, 2013

Planning Trip with Girls "*Prerequisite to "Troop Camping"*

This is a required training for Leaders or a registered adult who will be planning trips with girls. Planning trips, staying in hotels, public building and self-contained buildings even at camp will be covered. *"Safety Wise"* Chapter IV in VE will be the main focus of this training along with information about making reservations at our sites. Please bring your *Volunteer Essentials* with you to this training.

Who:	Registered Adult Girl Scouts
Fee:	$5.00
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 1 weeks (7 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training. Minimum: 10 participants, Maximum: 30

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
Thursday August 16th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday August 9th, 2012
Saturday September 8th, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coast Church, Okatie	Friday August 31st, 2012
Tuesday September 11th, 2012	6-9pm	Florence Service Center	Tuesday September 4th, 2012
Tuesday September 18th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday September 11th, 2012
Tuesday October 9th, 2012	6-9pm	West Ashley TBA	Tuesday October 2nd, 2012
Saturday October 13th, 2012	9am-12pm	Beaufort County TBA	Friday October 5th, 2012
Thursday October 25th, 2012	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Thursday October 18th, 2012
Saturday November 3rd, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday October 26th, 2012
Tuesday November 13th, 2012	6-9pm	Florence Service Center	Tuesday November 6th, 2012
Thursday November 15th, 2012	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday November 8th, 2012
Tuesday November 27th, 2012	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday November 20th, 2012
Saturday December 1st, 2012	9am-12pm	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	Friday November 23rd, 2012
Wednesday January 9th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday January 2nd, 2013
Tuesday January 15th, 2013	6-9pm	Florence Service Center	Tuesday January 8th, 2013
Tuesday February 12th, 2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday February 5th, 2013
Tuesday March 12th, 2013	6-9pm	Florence Service Center	Tuesday March 5th, 2013
Thursday March 21st, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday March 14th, 2013
Wednesday March 28th, 2013	6-9pm	Myrtle Beach Service Center	Wednesday March 21st, 2013
Tuesday April 9th,2013	6-9pm	Summerville Presbyterian	Tuesday April 2nd, 2013
Thursday April 18th, 2013	6-9pm	Charleston Service Center	Thursday April 11th, 2013
Tuesday May 14th, 2013	6-9pm	Florence Service Center	Tuesday May 7th, 2013

Anyone who is registering for Troop Camping must have already completed *Planning Trips with Girls*. Participants must be present for the entire course. All components of this training are essential and must be covered thoroughly. If you are more than 30 minutes late for these trainings you will not be given credit. All participants must be registered Girl Scouts.

Troop Camping

Learn the basics of Troop Camping which includes different types of heat sources to use, cooking, knots, care of equipment, including tents, policy and procedures, progression of different skills, and other entry-level skills as well. Come, enjoy learning with others and share songs and s'mores at the campfire. This is an overnight experience. You may be sleeping in tents or cabins and it sometimes gets very cool at camp. Please watch the weather reports. We do not cancel for weather. Be sure and eat before arriving at camp or bring your dinner with you. Check in is from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and training will start promptly at 7 p.m. This training session will end Saturday by 7 p.m. *You will receive a confirmation and packing list 1 week prior to the training. Please check e-mail before you leave for camp for any last minute updates*.

Who:	Registered Adult Girl Scouts
Fee:	$35.00 includes food and handouts
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 2 weeks (14 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training. Minimum: 10 participants, Maximum: 20 participants ***Outdoor Education in Girl Scouting*** is the resource for this training which can be purchased in the Girl Scout Shops. It is highly recommended that each troop have a copy of this resource.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
October 12th-13th, 2012	6:30pm-7pm	Tri-County Area TBA	Friday September 27th, 2012
November 9th-10th, 2012	6:30pm-7pm	Sandy Ridge	Friday November 2nd, 2012
March 22nd-23rd, 2013	6:30pm-7pm	Tri-County Area TBA	Friday, March 8th, 2013
April,5th-6th, 2013	6:30pm-7pm	Sandy Ridge	Friday March 22nd, 2013

Primitive Camping

Is your troop ready for primitive camping? This course prepares you to take your troop camping in primitive settings. **You must have taken Troop Camping at least a year prior to this training and gone on at least two camping trips with your girls.** You will learn about site selection, caching your food, water purification, the basics of pit-latrines, creating working surfaces through using lashing skills, using instinct and all previously learned skills. ****There is a mandatory meeting scheduled before this camping overnight and advance preparations to complete.** Please watch the weather reports. We do not cancel for weather.

Who:	Registered Adult Girl Scouts, who have completed Troop Camping
Fee:	$25.00, includes food and handouts
Additional Notes:	Deadline is 3 weeks (21 days) before the class. Please use a Training Registration Form to register for this training. Minimum: 6 participants, Maximum: 20 participants ***Outdoor Education in Girl Scouting*** is a resource for this training which can be purchased in the Girl Scout Shops or at the training. It is highly recommended that each troop have a copy of this resource.

Date	Time	Place	Reg. Deadline
April 5th-6th, 2013	6:30pm-7pm	Tri-County Area - TBA	Friday March 15th, 2013

Mandatory Pre-meeting:

****Wednesday March 27th from 6-9pm at the Charleston Service Center.**

Knowing How Much You're Appreciated

Whatever your volunteer position, your hard work means the world to girls, to your council staff, and to Girl Scouts of the USA. We're calling on all members of society to help girls reach their full potential, and you've answered that call. So thank you, from the bottom of our hearts.

Just as you'll receive support throughout your volunteering experience, when you reach the end of the term you signed up for, you'll talk with your support team about the positive parts of your experience, as well as the challenges you faced, and discuss whether you want to return to this position or try something new. The end of your troop year, camp season, overseas trip, or series/event session is just the beginning of your next adventure with Girl Scouting!

If you're ready for more opportunities to work with girls, be sure to let your council support team know how you'd like to be a part of girls' lives in the future—whether in the same position or in other, flexible ways. Are you ready to organize a series or event? take a trip? work with girls at camp? work with a troop of girls as a year-long volunteer? share your skills at a council office, working behind the scenes? The possibilities are endless, and can be tailored to fit your skills and interests.

The GSESC Adult Recognition Packet will be available online at www.girlscoutsesc.org and at the Service Centers in September 2012.

Volunteer Appreciation Weeks

Volunteer Appreciation Week—the third week in April—is set aside especially for you. Girl Scouts pay tribute to the volunteers who help girls make the world a better place. The week centers on the long-standing National Girl Scout Leaders' Day (April 22).

In addition, Girl Scouts also celebrates Volunteers Make a Difference Week, in conjunction with Make a Difference Day, which takes place during the weekend in autumn that we set our clocks back.