

Checklist to Strengthen your Chapter's Scouting Service Program

Chapter administration:

- ❁ Form a Scouting Committee to oversee all Chapter Scouting activities
- ❁ Create a former-Scout-specific flyer in addition to the Chapter's regular rush materials
- ❁ Send an APO delegate to local Eagle Courts of Honor and Gold Award recognition events
- ❁ Send an APO delegate to local troop meetings to discuss service opportunities at college
- ❁ Induct the local BSA Council Executive, GSUSA or Camp Fire USA Executive Director as an honorary brother
- ❁ Gain a Chapter seat on the board of your local Scout Council
- ❁ Encourage Brothers to take summer jobs at Scout camps
- ❁ Apply for the M.R. Disborough Service to Scouting national award

Service projects:

- ❁ Run a Merit Badge University
- ❁ Host a campus tour for local Scouts
- ❁ Hold a fundraiser to build a cabin or maintain an existing structure at a Scout camp that the Chapter could subsequently use

Tag on to a preexisting Council events:

- ❁ Run skill stations at Klondike Derbies
- ❁ Staff instructional stations at district Camporees
- ❁ Assist with camp construction and renovation projects during Order of the Arrow Powwows
- ❁ Help set up and take down tents at summer resident camps
- ❁ Participate in "Good Turn for America" projects with your local BSA units
- ❁ Support your local Camp Fire USA "Absolutely Incredible Kid Day" in the early spring

Visibility:

- ❁ Notify campus and local newspapers a week in advance of your activity to secure coverage
- ❁ Document the event and submit photos to *Torch & Trefoil*
- ❁ Go online and purchase an APO patch made for the Class A Scout Uniform for \$3.00:
(http://apo.org/Merchant2/merchant.mv?Screen=PROD&Store_Code=APO&Product_Code=14-15&Category_Code=C)
- ❁ Customize APO-branded patches for your Scouting events (<http://www.bsa.scouting.org>)

How to make it all happen:

- ❁ Apply for a youth service grant from the National Office
(http://www.apo.org/programs/service/youth_service_grants/resources.shtml)