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ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 2022

LEADING YOUTH TO LIFELONG VALUES, SERVICE AND ACHIEVEMENT



BOY SCOUTS
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SAM HOUSTON AREA COUNCIL

DEAR FRIENDS,

Scouting continues to offer various opportunities to teach youth to be strong in character, have self-confidence, and grow in their leadership abilities. The various programs of Scouting, implemented by the volunteers of the Sam Houston Area Council, were able to change the lives of 28,340 youth during the past year.

Our council also welcomed 916 new Eagle Scouts. Additionally, 188,355 community service hours were performed by our Scouts.

Success is achieved through generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure from thousands of volunteers and donors. Thanks to your support and commitment to Scouting, we continue to lead youth to lifelong values, service, and achievement.



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Investment in the Community

ScoutReach

In 2022, the Sam Houston Area Council invested \$779,610 to serve 5,489 youth in 20 underserved elementary schools in Houston ISD and Fort Bend ISD.

The ScoutReach initiative delivers a Cub Scouting program, led by a team of program specialists, at no cost to the Scouts or schools.

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2022 Highlights

28,340 total youth served in **662** Cub Scout Packs, Scouts BSA Troops, Venturing Crews, Sea Scout Ships and Explorer Posts

9,772 Registered volunteer adult leaders

2,319 Scouts attended Summer camp at Camp Strake

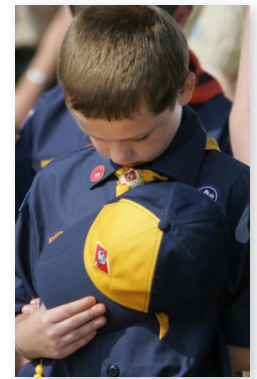
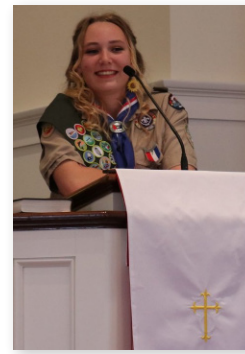
785 Scouts attended Winter Camp at Camp Strake



*statistics reflected as of 12-31-2022

DUTY TO GOD

One of the key tenets of Scouting is "Duty to God" as Scouting encourages each young person to begin a spiritual journey through the practice of his or her faith tradition. While Scouting does not define religious beliefs for its members, it has been adopted by and works with programs created by all major faiths.



DUTY TO OTHERS



Heroism Award presented to Christopher Janice

Scout Christopher Janice rescued a young female driver from a burning vehicle by breaking open the passenger-side window and pulling her to safety when Christopher and his mother happened upon the scene, smoke was visible coming from under the hood, quickly followed by flames. The driver had been unable to extricate herself as the electronic system malfunctioned, preventing all of the vehicle's doors and windows from opening. Christopher was able to use the lessons imparted in Scouting, including helping other people at all times, to prevent a tragic ending to this incident.

Medal of Merit Recipient Matthew Westfall

Matthew and his father were working at their family ranch near LaGrange, TX when the father notified Matthew that he didn't feel well, but thought he was just hot or tired. As the father's symptoms worsened, it became apparent that Matthew's father needed medical attention. Matthew then drove his father to the hospital. The father's situation was so serious that upon arrival at the local hospital, he was expeditiously airlifted to a higher-capability hospital for immediate surgery to relieve his heart blockage. The emergency room doctors and nurses commended Matthew's calm demeanor, level head, and actions, which contributed to a successful outcome and helped save his father's life. These skills can be attributed to the lessons he was taught in Scouting.



Carter Burke Eagle Scout Service Project

Carter Burke used his math skills to create a sustainable and expandable week-long tutoring camp that helped 40 underserved rising high school freshmen from KIPP Academy prepare to pass the national STAAR test. The curriculum he developed was designed to build basic concepts throughout the week in a manner that was fun and kept the students engaged. He chose a group of likeminded mentors and they got to work. At the start, the students were barely able to complete a basic assessment. By the end of the week, more than 75% of the students passed the final exam. He hopes to expand this project across the 34 KIPP tuition free schools in Houston. Carter Burke's "Math Mentors" Eagle Project is a unique, highly impactful, expandable, and sustainable eagle project.



Scouting's Spring of Service was an opportunity for our Scouting families to participate in unit-developed service projects to benefit the local community.

From January to April, over 5,000 Scouts participated in over 450 community based projects totaling 24,245 hours of community service.



188,355

Community service

hours performed

by Scouts, Explorers

and leaders

DUTY TO SELF

29,975
Merit Badges earned

13,325
Cub Scout ranks earned

7,286
Scout ranks earned

916
Scouts attaining the
rank of Eagle Scout

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INCOME

Community Support	\$3,898,839
United Way	\$733,926
Council Generated	\$5,879,016
	\$10,511,781

EXPENSE

Program Services	\$8,383,510
Direct Service (ScoutReach)	\$779,610
Administration	\$739,335
Fundraising	\$1,083,535
	\$10,206,380

*2022 Unaudited financials.
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