





ANNUAL REPORT

"The world needs something different from Girl Scouts and we are responding."



A word from the CEO

Our Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Four Pillars of Girl Scouting



Life Skills



STEM



Outdoors



Dear Girl Scout Friends,

Re-emergence was the theme of 2021 – girls and volunteers returned, camps reopened, and Girl Scouts returned to a "new" normal. But the reality is that the world needs something different from Girl Scouts today and we are responding. In 2021, we delivered robust virtual and in-person programming, strengthened our mental health and wellness programming, expanded our offerings at the STEM Center of Excellence, partnered with schools to deliver social and emotional learning programs, and expanded our commitment to equity and inclusion.

But what inspired me the most, and continues to inspire me every day, was seeing the creative ways that our volunteers made Girl Scouts work – even in a global pandemic. From virtual meetings to outdoor, socially distanced gatherings, girls and their troops found ways to connect and support one another in a time when everyone needed that feeling of belonging.

Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas continues to evolve with the times and 2022 is going to be the start of something great. Thanks to Deloitte, we are taking a new look at the future of Girl Scouts and what both you, our current members, as well as potential future Girl Scouts need from us in this post-pandemic world. This year we begin the transformation of our outdoor spaces, seeking input from experts and stakeholders and preparing for a future campaign to invest in all our favorite camp programs and properties. We are increasing our presence in southern Dallas, and we continue to innovate programs that meet the girls where they are. We are collaborating with old and new partners in bigger and bolder ways to ensure that every girl finds a place where she belongs at Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas.

I feel so much hope, energy and momentum for the future. It is a great time to be a Girl Scout!

Sincerely,

Jennifer K. Bartkowski Chief Executive Officer

The impact of our program

At Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas (GSNETX), inclusion, diversity, equity, and access are core institutional values. They drive decision-making, resource allocation, and the development of all policies and practices. We're committed to removing barriers and creating an empowering experience for all through a culture of belonging. Our 8,000 dedicated volunteers foster supportive environments to help our girls thrive.



*GSNETX Community Partnerships program evaluation, 2021

**The Benefits of Being a Girl Scout Volunteer. Girl Scout Research Institute, 2020

***Voices Count Survey, Girl Scout Research Institute, 2021

2021 Highlights



Mental Health

- Developed Mental Health Strategic Plan in collaboration with Mental Health and Wellness Committee.
- GSNETX spearheaded the Okay to Say patch throughout Texas serving 2,454 Girl Scouts.

DEI

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- Developed and launched three-year DEI strategic plan
- Successfully participated in 9-month training cohort with Dallas Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation that supported the development of our strategy and secured funding for the training of GSNETX staff in FY22.



STEM

• Completed construction of the Connected Greenhouse at the STEM Center of Excellence, including a new augmented reality experience.



Outdoor Leadership

- Camp reopened!
- 842 girls at Resident Camp
- 296 at STEM Center Day Camp
- 963 at volunteer-run Day or Twilight Camps



Other Highlights

- Served 18,456 girls
- 1.927 million cookies sold by 71% of active members even in an unprecedented cookie season marked by COVID and a week-long winter storm
- 140 Gold Awards, 355 Silver Awards, 411 Bronze awards earned
- Raised a record-breaking \$3.5 million in direct public support
- Received largest government grant to sustain and expand program delivery in southern Dallas

Statement of Activities

Revenue

| Total public support and revenue | \$15,39 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Other income | \$1,635 |
| Investment income/(loss) | \$554,0 |
| Sales of merchandise, net | \$249,9 |
| Program & camping fees | \$601,3 |
| Cookie and Fall Product Program, net | \$7,800 |
| Annual Giving/contributions | \$4,553 |
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Expenses

| Services for girls and adults | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Management and general operating | |
| Fundraising | |
| Total expenses | |

Change in net assets Net assets at beginning of year Net assets at end of year

Statement of Financial Position

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts and pledges receivable Inventory and other Long-term notes receivable, net Land, buildings and equipment, net **Total assets**

Liabilities

Accounts payable Notes payable, net*" Deferred revenue Other accrued liabilities Custodial funds **Total liabilities**

Net Assets

Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions **Total net assets Total liabilities and net assets**

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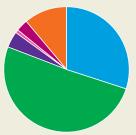
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Revenue



Annual Giving contributions: 30%

Cookie and Fall Product Program, net: 51%

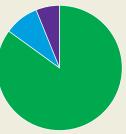
> Program & camping fees: 4%

Sales of merchandise, net: 1%

> Investment income/(loss): 3%

> Other income: 11%

Expenses



Services for girls and adults: 85%

Management and general operating: 9%

> Fundraising: 6%

*Includes \$1.5M SBA Paycheck Protection Program forgivable stimulus loan.

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Girl Scout skateboarding club peaks in popularity, helps girls stay active and healthy





What started as an idea for a Girl Scout mom to keep her daughter physically active during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown has turned into an official Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas club that's in high demand and growing. The Gutsy Girls Skateboard Club was founded during lockdown, starting as eight Girl Scouts

meeting up to try a fun new activity. The club has guickly grown into DFW's most sought-after skateboarding club.

"We are a club that has a sole focus of encouraging girls to ignite their adventurous and courageous spirits through skateboarding," said Girl Scout Mom Lacy. She launched the club with her super-energetic, nine-year-old daughter Riley. "We are starting a girl-powered skateboard movement!"

The club meets twice a month for a clinic and a social skate. Presently, the club welcomes about 30 Girl Scouts from various troops at one clinic. The groups are small so the instructors (two per group, and one always female) can have more time to coach skateboarding fundamentals to each girl. Partnering with the director of operations at Alliance Skate Park, the club provides access to the area's top skateboarding instructors and local pros.

Social skates are set up to allow the girls to freely move around skateparks, practice the skills they learned in clinics, and make friends with other skateboarders. Lacy is amazed to watch the girls hang out and help each other improve their tricks. The girls correct each other on the most minor moves and encourage each other. The social aspect allows them to strengthen the Girl Scout sisterhood, helping them to stay mentally healthy and thriving through this isolated time.

The outpouring of support from the skateboarding community has been overwhelmingly positive. Last year, the club welcomed USA Female Skateboarding Olympic Team Member Alana Smith to the clinic. She described her journey to the 2021 Tokyo Olympics and even jumped in to help teach the girls a few skills.

"We believe anyone can do anything with the right tools and right encouragement," Lacy said. "We believe that girls are the future of skateboarding and extreme sports."

2021 Young Women of Distinction

This year, we honored three outstanding Girl Scouts whose Gold Award projects have created long-term, sustainable change in their communities. Join us as we recognize these future changemakers.



Katie Chang



Margot Meyer



Alexandra Vincent

Katie Chang

is a senior at Plano West High School. She has been a Girl Scout for over 12 years and credits the program with helping her develop strong leadership skills. For her Gold Award project, titled "The Portrait Project," Katie addressed her community's limited access to professional photography services. Partnering with the Boys & Girls Club, she connected underserved families with a recruited network of local photographers, providing more than 50 families with professional portraits.

In middle school, Katie pursued her passion for photography by starting her own business. She has since served more than 400 clients in Texas and beyond. Understanding the unique challenges young entrepreneurs face, Katie mentors young entrepreneurs across the country through online educational content and in-person lessons. In addition, she is active in multiple school organizations, serving as Concertmaster of her school's varsity orchestra and as a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and Girls in STEM. The dedicated violinist recently ranked 2nd in Texas in the Texas Music Educators Association's All-State Competition.

Margot Meyer

Passionate about medicine and public health, Margot focused her Girl Scout Gold Award project efforts on helping improve the healthcare experience for children and parents at Dallas ISD's David G. Burnet Elementary. The three-part project consisted of renovating the school clinic by painting murals, organizing and providing new furniture, helping promote their on-campus telemedicine program to students, and providing a database of physicians to serve as resources to the Burnet school clinic.

Margot is the founder and president of the Hockadocs Medical Club; a club focused on inspiring young women to pursue careers in medicine. She has participated in Hockaday's varsity swimming and softball teams since her freshman year. Margot was also the recipient of the U.S. Presidential Service Award in recognition of her time devoted to helping the students and parents of Burnet Elementary. Margot has received multiple National French Contest Awards throughout her high school years. Additionally, she has participated in the Scottish Rite Hospital Junior Volunteer Program and served on the Party in the Park and Junior Symphony Ball steering committees.

Alexandra Vincent

is a senior at Rock Hill High School. Alexandra has lived in Arizona, Germany, Turkey, Hawaii, South Carolina, and now Texas as a military child. However, wherever she moved, she was able to find a home in Girl Scouts. Alexandra's Gold Award project addressed issues of mental health in high school students. As part of her project, Alexandra facilitated a roundtable discussion about mental health in teenagers, created collateral, and provided resources to help students cope with anxiety and stress. Her program is now used throughout the school district and is available online.

Alexandra is entering her second year as president of the National Honor Society and the Junior World Affairs Council. She is a Science National Honor Society member, served on the Rock Hill High School Student Council, and was selected to sit on U.S. Representative Van Taylor's Youth Congressional Advisory Council. She received the 2021 Betty Jay Soroptimist Award and was nominated for the Blue Hawk award by her school volleyball team. Also, in 2021, Alexandra was named a semi-finalist for the U.S. Military Child of the Year Award. She currently works part-time as a social media developer at Haas Tech Incorporated.



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