

GSTOP Adult Achievement Award Categories

		GSUSA AWARDS	
	Award Name	Award Criteria	Endorsements Required
SOUND OF THE PARTY	Volunteer of Excellence Award	* Have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience through use of the National Program Portfolio or who have contributed outstanding service in support of the council's mission delivery to girl and adult members in one or more of the following functional areas: membership development, community cultivation, volunteer relations and support, program, leadership and governance, fund development, council support service (e.g. information technology, customer service, merchandising). * Actively recognize, understand, and practice the values of inclusive behavior.	2
(all the second	Appreciation Pin	* Have provided outstanding service, above and beyond the expectation for the position, to at least one geographic area within the council. * Have significantly contributed to meeting one or more council goals in membership growth and retention, fund development, or increased community visibility. * Actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior. * Previous award required: Volunteer of Excellence.	3
	Honor Pin	* Have significantly contributed to meeting one or more council goals in: Membership growth and retention Fund development Increased community visibility in two or more geographic areas within the council Actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior. Previous award required: Appreciation Pin	3
	Thanks Badge	* Have provided service that is truly outstanding and that benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization. * Have provided service so significantly above and beyond that no other award would be appropriate. * Have taken a leadership role at the council level in one or more of the following areas during the previous four years: Increasing membership growth and retention: Increasing the percentage of adult-generated funding in the total council income; Increasing innovative program opportunities council-wide; Developing broad participation in policy-influencing through the democratic process; Ensuring inclusive behavior is recognized, understood, and practiced at all levels. Previous Award required: Honor Pin	3

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	Thanks Badge II	Honors adult members: * Who have taken a leadership role in developing a model that has been replicated at the national level in one or more of the following areas during the previous three years:MembershipProgramFund developmentPluralismMarketing communicationStrategic leadershipHuman resources * Previous award required: Thanks Badge	3
	Lifesaving Award	National girl award for assistance in saving an individuals life. Part of the Girl Scout program since the beginning of the movement in the United States, Lifesaving Awards are national awards given to a registered Girl Scout who has saved or attempted to save human life under circumstances that indicate heroism or risk of her own life. Local application that is sent to the national office for approval. The current president of GSUSA signs the certificate.	Local Application sent into the national office for approval.
•	Community Partner Certificate	Honors individuals or organizations outside of Girl Scouting whose services performed greatly improved the operation and impact of a troop or troops (e.g. recruitment space, troop sponsorship, support for adult development, meeting space).	

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