WHAT IS FRIENDS OF SCOUTING?

In order to keep Scouting available in the Lower Naugatuck Valley, the council runs an annual Friends of Scouting fundraising campaign. Friends of Scouting is an opportunity for families, friends, and alumni to support Scouting in the Lower Naugatuck Valley.

YOU can assist us in continuing to provide the resources necessary to make sure every youth can benefit from Scouting’s fun, exciting, adventure-filled activities that foster character, honesty, respect, values and life-long memories.

The annual Scouting registration fee ($66) goes directly to the national office of the Boy Scouts of America. The amount your unit collects stays with your unit to help pay for supplies, advancement and other activities.

Your financial investment, plus your time and talent, are among the greatest gifts you can make to your son or daughter, and their friends.

Will you invest in Scouting? Your donation to Friends of Scouting ensures that youth in and around the Lower Naugatuck Valley can take part in the invaluable experiences that can only be found in Scouting.

Your Investment in Friends of Scouting:
- Helps maintain camp properties.
- Materials and program development for the exciting programs offered.
- Marketing materials for youth member recruitment, and recognition.

All youth deserve the opportunity to be a Scout and enjoy all that the Housatonic Council can offer.

Thank you for your investment!

WHAT DOES YOUR INVESTMENT SUPPORT

Scouting in the Lower Naugatuck Valley...

- Is more than tying knots, archery, and service projects.
- Provides once in a lifetime opportunities
- Provides life lessons needed for today’s youth.
- Creates memories to share for a lifetime.
- Provides youth time with their friends.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT

Contributions of $150 or more will receive the 2020 FOS Council Shoulder Patch.

With additional contributions in multiples of $150 you can receive additional Council Shoulder Patches of your choice.

Please take a moment to complete the attached pledge card and make an investment through the Friends of Scouting Campaign.
FUNDING FUN, FRIENDSHIP AND THE FUTURE
Your Donation Stays Within the Lower Naugatuck Valley

HOW SCOUTING IS FUNDED

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO INCREASE OR DOUBLE YOUR INVESTMENT TO SCOUTING?

Employer Matching Gifts represent about 10% of pledges to our FOS Family Campaign!

Here’s how:

Many employers offer matching gift programs. Your employer may be one of them.

Matching gift programs allow you the opportunity to increase your gift to Scouting. These matching gift programs are at no additional cost.

No one policy fits all employers, contact your company’s Human Resources Department to obtain the details of your company’s employee matching gift policy.

The Housatonic Council, BSA is a 501(c) 3 public charity. All contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law.

DOES YOUR COMPANY MAKE DONATIONS FOR VOLUNTEER TIME?

Also check with your employer if they provide a gift for volunteer hours provided. Some Employers will make a donation for hours you donate to support Scouting.

Contact your company’s Human Resources Department to obtain the details or availability of a volunteer time gift policy.

Some Organizations offering this program are Verizon, Bloomberg, Chase, United Healthcare.

For a list of organizations that may participate in matching gift or volunteer hour programs go to:


I WISH TO SUPPORT THE HOUSATONIC COUNCIL

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City ___________ State _____ Zip____
Phone: ____________________________
Email: ____________________________
Unit # (Pack, Troop, Crew, Post) ________________
Pledge / Donation $ ____________________________
Amount Included $ ____________________________
Employer (s), __________________________________________________________________________

Does employer(s) match gifts?
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Method of Payment:

BILL ME: ☐ One Payment
           ☐ Equal Payments till December

☐ CASH or ☐ Check #
       (Payable to Housatonic Council, BSA)

☐ MasterCard / VISA ☐ American Express ☐ Discover
Credit Card # ____________________________
Expiration Date: ____________ CSV: ____________
Signature: ____________________________

I have made a planned gift or named the Council in my will.

☐ I plan to give to Scouting through the 2021 Great Give

MAKE AN ON-LINE DONATION:

Go to housatonicbsa.org and click on the “Donate Now” button or go to

TEXT “hcfos2021” to 1-844-615-4269
Message and data rates may apply