



President's Award

Description

The President's Award recognizes the efforts of a service-delivery team or committee whose exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience surpassed team goals and resulted in significant, measurable impact toward reaching the council's overall goals.

The Girl Scouts - Diamonds Council takes this award a step further. The top 10 Service Units to receive the President's Award will have the chance to be selected for the prestigious 24 Karat Diamond Trophy and named the Top Service Unit in the Council.

This yearlong achievement requires efficiency and dedication from every member of the Service Unit team, as well as the wholehearted cooperation of troop leaders.

Criteria

- All service-team members are registered Girl Scouts.
- All service-team members have met all requirements and expectations of the positions held.
- The service-delivery team has significantly contributed to meeting one or more of the council's mission-delivery goals.
- The service-delivery team reflects the diversity of the target audience or area it serves, in girl and adult membership, in all pathways offered.
- The service-delivery team actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior.

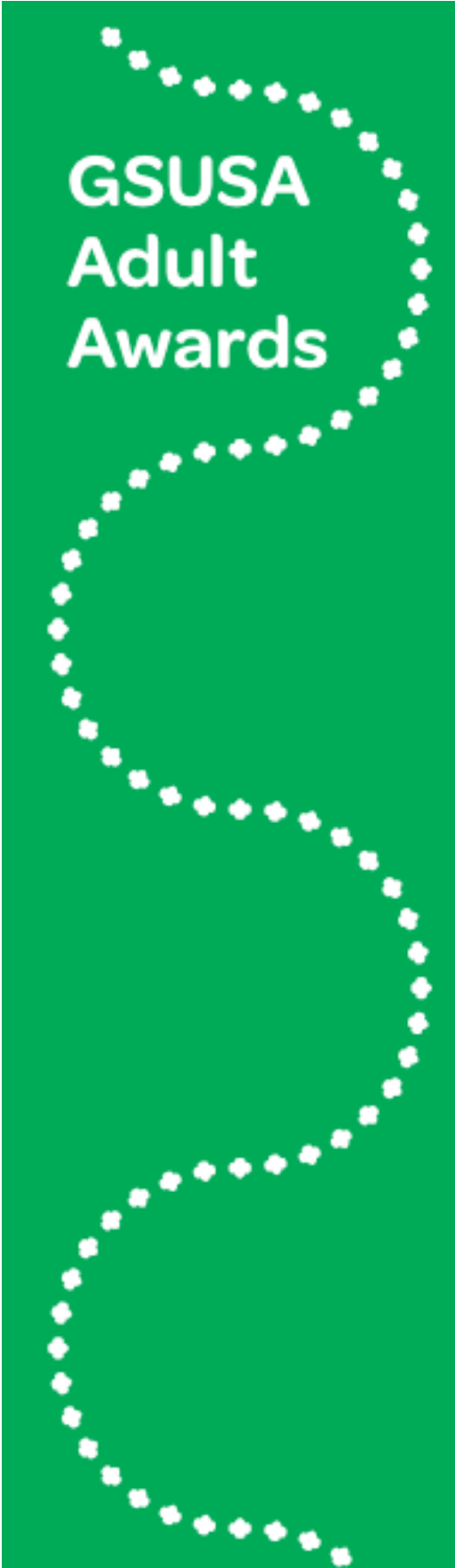
Nomination

A nomination form is completed and submitted to the Volunteer Experience Department, along with supporting documentation indicating how the nominee meets the criteria.

The 24 Karat Diamond trophy award is selected from the Council's top 10 performing Service Units, recognized for exemplary leadership in all areas of Membership, Volunteerism and Program.

Example of nominees

Members of a service-delivery team saw the need to better communicate information and opportunities with girls and adults in their area, so they organized a group of 15 teens and five volunteers, representing all communities in their jurisdiction, to create new communication strategies using social media (including Facebook, Twitter, and NING). As a result, 36 percent more girls attended their local events, 90 percent of open service-team positions were filled, and the council gained 1,350 friends on Facebook.



Nomination

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Name of person completing nomination form:

Best way to contact you (phone, e-mail, etc.):

Name of Service Unit:

Service Unit Director contact information:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Are all team members current members of Girl Scouts?

Yes No Not sure

Have all team members completed the requirements for their positions?

Yes No Not sure

Does this team reflect the diversity of the target audience or area it serves, in girl and adult membership, in all pathways offered?

Yes No Not sure

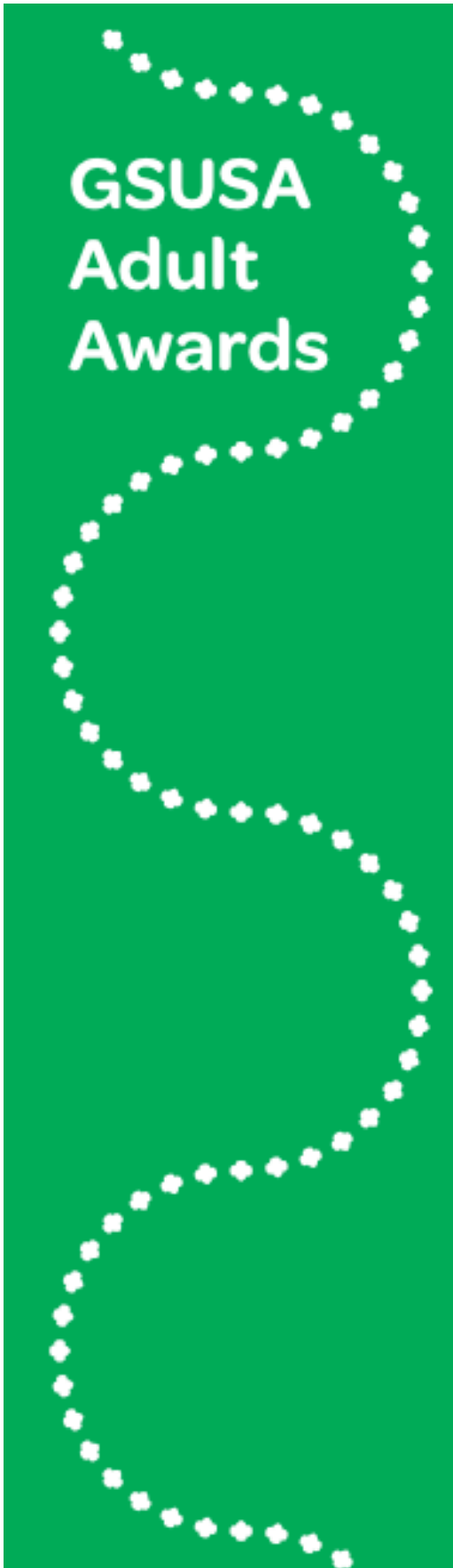
Please attach the following supporting documentation to indicate how the team meets the criteria for this award:

Letter(s) of endorsement Volunteer support resources

Volunteer satisfaction data Program impact data

Service delivery team, service area and/or council goals

Other _____



Check all that apply: ****Items starred are required**

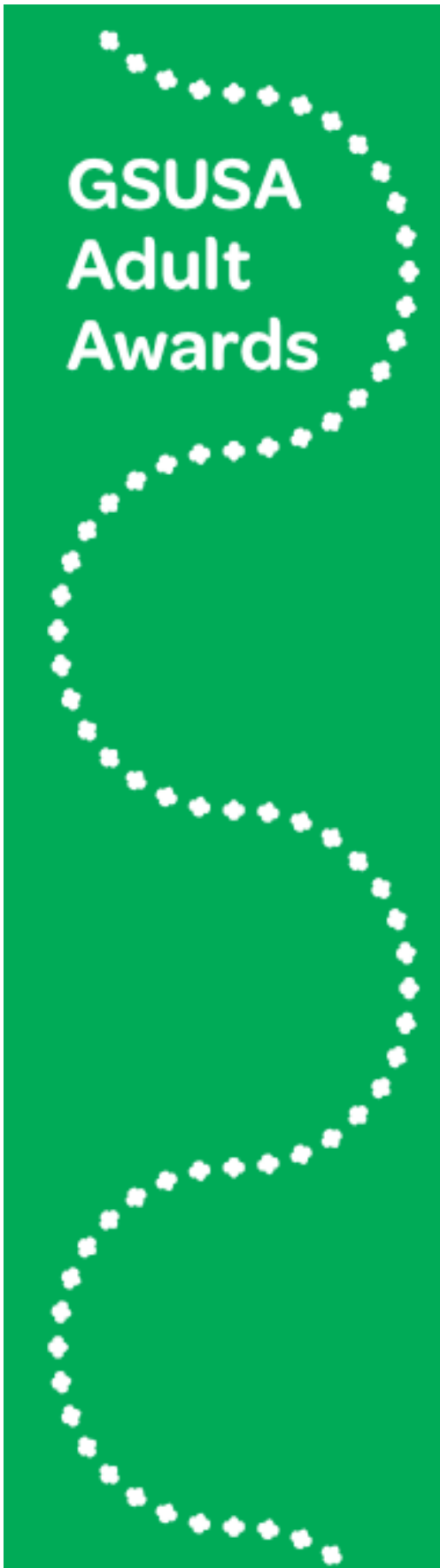
Section I: Service Team and Administration

- **Have functioning service unit with all of the following positions filled by different volunteers representing different troops:**
 - Service Unit Director
 - Service Unit Product Manager
 - Service Unit Treasurer
- Have a current job description on file for every team member
- At least 2/3 of the service team attends service unit meetings throughout the year
- Composition of the service team reflects the diversity of the area
- **Annual Financial Report on file with council for the previous year by submission deadline**
- All inactive troop accounts have been closed out
- Service Unit Director or Service Team members attended the Annual Meeting and/or Service Unit Summits last year

Number checked in section I: _____ out of 7.

Section II: Membership Growth and Retention

- Develop a service unit plan for increasing and retaining membership
- **Register a minimum of 70% of membership by September 30**
- Register a minimum of 75% of membership by September 30
- Register a minimum of 80% of membership by September 30



- **Girl membership as of March 15th is equal to or greater than girl membership as of March 1 of previous year
- Girl membership as of March 15th has increased by at least 2%
- Girl membership as of March 15th has increased by at least 5%
- Girl membership as of March 15th has increased by at least 10%
- The troop leader retention rate is at least 75% as of March 15th

Number checked in section II: _____ out of 9

Section III: Volunteer Support

- **All new leaders have had required training within 6 months of appointment
- Implements ways of ensuring that volunteers are welcomed, recognized and appreciated.

List methods:

Number checked in section III: _____ out of 2.

Section IV: Community Visibility and Collaboration

- Conduct at least one unit-wide Service Unit Event during the award Period.

Describe Event in Detail:

Number checked in section IV: _____ out of 1.



Please list team members and their positions:

- Name: _____ Contact information: _____
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Please describe how the team has delivered outstanding service that has significantly contributed to meeting one or more of the council's mission-delivery goals. Also, please describe how the service team actively recognized, understood and practiced the values of inclusive behavior. Attach additional pages, if necessary.

Signature of person submitting nomination:

Date:

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Section I: _____ out of 7

Section II: _____ out of 9

Section III: _____ out of 2

Section IV: _____ out of 1

Total: _____ out of 19

Percentage: _____

