

GSSSC Council Awards	AWARD PURPOSE	Award Packet Requirement
Betty Boyd Memorial Pin 	Betty Boyd Memorial Pin: Named in honor of Betty Boyd, a devoted Girl Scout leader and trainer who championed girl-led planning and decision-making. This pin recognizes exceptional troop leadership. Award Criteria: • Must be an active, registered Girl Scout troop leader. • Must have minimum of three years in troop leadership role. • Service must be outstanding and recognized Council-wide. • Must have previously received at least one of the following Service Unit awards (Rookie of the Year, Outstanding Volunteer, Outstanding Leader).	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Jo Jameson Memorial Award 	Jo Jameson Memorial Award: Named in honor of Jo Jameson, who served Silver Sage Council for over 16 years in multiple leadership roles. This award recognizes outstanding service at the Council or Service Unit level. Award Criteria: • Must be an active, registered adult Girl Scout. • Must have provided exceptional service at the Council or Service Unit level. • Must have served for at least 3 years in one or more of the following roles: Service Unit Manager, Service Unit Mentor, Service Unit Recruiter, Service Unit Day Camp Coordinator.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Jo McAtee VIP Memorial Award 	Jo McAtee VIP Memorial Award: This award honors Jo McAtee, a dedicated Lifetime Member of the Silver Sage Council who served as a troop leader, master trainer, and association delegate. Jo was a recipient of both Thanks Badge I and Thanks Badge II, and she was known for her unwavering commitment to volunteerism and community service. The Jo McAtee VIP Memorial Award recognizes adult volunteers who demonstrate sustained, outstanding leadership and dedication at the Service Unit level. Award Criteria: • Must be an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts. • Must have provided continuous, consistent, and exceptional leadership to a Service Unit area. • Must have served in two separate leadership roles within the Service Unit. • Must have held these roles for a minimum of 4 consecutive years.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement

Outstanding Service to the Community 	Outstanding Service to the Community: This award honors an active, registered adult Girl Scout who has provided significant and exceptional service to the broader community beyond their work with Girl Scouts. Their volunteer efforts must benefit external groups or organizations and reflect the values of Girl Scouting through community engagement and leadership. Award Criteria: • Must be an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts. • Must have provided outstanding service to a community group or organization outside of Girl Scouts. • Service must be significant, consistent, and impactful. • A second Letter of Endorsement is required from the community or organization where the volunteer serves.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Outstanding Community Partner Award	Outstanding Community Partner Award: This award recognizes an individual or business that has provided ongoing, exceptional support to the Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council. Their contributions, whether through time, financial support, or in-kind services, have significantly advanced the mission of Girl Scouting in the community. Award Criteria: • May be awarded to an individual or business/community organization. • Must have demonstrated consistent support for the Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council for more than 3 years. • Support may include one or more of the following: Contributions of time (volunteering, event support, etc.), Monetary donations, In-kind services or resources.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Millie Carey Board Member of Influence 	Milley Carey Board Member of Influence: Named in honor of Millie Carey, a devoted Girl Scout volunteer of 67 years. This award recognizes extraordinary leadership and lasting dedication. Millie served as the state representative for the Green Hat Society and WAGGS (World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts), mentoring countless Gold Award recipients. This award honors a current board member who has made a significant impact on Girl Scouts and the broader community. Award Criteria: • Must be an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts. • Must be a current member of the Silver Sage Council Board of Directors and have served for a min of 3 years. • Must have at least 10 years of community volunteer service. • Actively represents Girl Scouts at Council and community events. • Exemplifies the Girl Scout Promise and Law.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement

Outstanding Philanthropist Award



Outstanding Philanthropist Award: This pin recognizes exceptional service to Silver Sage Council.

Eligible contributions may include:

- Soliciting in-kind donations, grants, or major gifts.
- Engaging corporate donors, foundations, or endowments.
- Recruiting members to the Juliette Gordon Low Society (planned giving).
- Advancing education and engagement around the Girl Scout mission.

Award Criteria:

- Must be an **active, registered adult or external partner**.
- Champions quality programs and experiences.
- Demonstrates **increased mission engagement** and significant impact through philanthropic efforts of **advocacy and/or financial contributions**.

1 - [Nomination Form](#)

1 - [Letter of Endorsement](#)

Must be approved by the CEO

Diana Lawson Award



Diana Lawson Award: Silver Sage's highest adult recognition, named for Lifetime Member Diana Lawson, who served the Council for over 55 years, including as Board Chair. She is a recipient of both Thanks Badge I and II and remains an active community volunteer.

Award Criteria:

- Must be an **active, registered** adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage.
- Minimum **5 years of Membership**.
- Must be a recipient of **both Thanks Badge I and II**.
- Must demonstrate exceptional service beyond role expectations.
- **Publicly furthers the GS movement** through visible, impactful community involvement.
- **Creates** significant opportunities and **positive outcomes** for girls.

1 - [Nomination Form](#)

3- [Letter of Endorsement](#)

Sandy Wilson Award



Sandy Wilson Staff Excellence Pin*: Named in honor of Sandy Wilson, who dedicated over 40 years of service to the Council in roles ranging from Cookie Manager, Receptionist, Store Clerk and Director of Human Resources/Business Services. Sandy and her family have also volunteered extensively, especially supporting Camp Alice Pittenger.

Award Criteria:

- Must be a **staff member** with minimum **5 years of service**.
- Demonstrates exceptional commitment to developing others and advancing the success of the Council.
- Provides **service and leadership** that benefit the entire Council beyond the individual's tenure.
- Consistently **performs above and beyond** job expectations.
- Actively supports the achievement of Council goals and strategic learning initiatives.

1 - [Nomination Form](#)

3- [Letter of Endorsement](#)

Must be approved by the Silver Sage Recognitions Committee and the CEO

*This award is limited to one recipient annually

GSUSA National Awards	AWARD PURPOSE	Award Packet Requirement
Volunteer of Excellence Pin 	Volunteer of Excellence Pin - Award Criteria: - Recognizes an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage. - Delivers exceptional service beyond role expectations. Supports and strengthens the Girl Scout Leadership Experience or Mission.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Appreciation Pin 	Appreciation Pin - Award Criteria: - Recognizes an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage. - Provides outstanding service beyond role expectations. - Positively impacts multiple areas, service units, or program delivery audiences.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Honor Pin 	Honor Pin - Award Criteria: - Recognizes an active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage, whose exceptional service supports the delivery of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. - Service demonstrates measurable impact across two or more geographic areas, helping the council reach and surpass mission delivery goals, - Provides service that exceeds role expectations and advances council objectives. - Distinguished from the Appreciation Pin by the broader scope of influence and impact.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement
Thanks Badge I Pin 	Thanks Badge I Pin - Award Criteria: - Recognizes an Active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage, whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have made an exceptional measurable impact. - Service advances the mission delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout Movement. - Contributions are significantly beyond expectations, representing the highest level of volunteer service. - Awarded only when there is no other recognition to honor the nominee's impact.	1 - Nomination Form 3- Letter of Endorsement

Thanks Badge II Pin 	Thanks Badge II Pin - Award Criteria: • Recognizes an Active, registered adult member of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage, who has previously received the Thanks Badge I pin. • Continues to provide exemplary leadership and service with measurable impact benefiting the entire Girl Scout Mission. • Demonstrates sustained, outstanding commitment beyond role expectations. • Represents continued excellence in advancing the goals and values of Girl Scouts	1 - Nomination Form 3- Letter of Endorsement
President's Award Pin 	President's Award Pin - Award Criteria: • Recognizes a service unit team, committee, or volunteer team for exceptional service. • Service surpasses team goals in supporting the delivery of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. • Results in significant, measurable impact toward the council's overall goals and the Girl Scout Mission. • Demonstrates teamwork, leadership, and commitment beyond standard expectations.	1 - Nomination Form 1- Letter of Endorsement

NOTE: We strongly encourage submitting nominations and endorsements [through our online form](#), as it is the most efficient method. If you do not have computer access or prefer a paper form, you can download the Paper Nomination Form and Paper Letter of Endorsement from our website. <https://www.girlscouts-ssc.org/en/volunteers/adult-recognitions.html>

Girl Scout Adult Navy Vest

