



Challenger District

Special Needs Scouting

The Viking Council and the Boy Scouts of America are committed to the precept that Scouting is for all people. We have made a concerted effort to reach special needs youth and adults to provide them with the same type Scouting Experiences afforded to others.

Much of our efforts are directed at placing youth with disabilities in the mainstream of Scouting. We have also organized special units at facilities, institutions and school districts to help supplement and enhance their programs. Thanks to the support of concerned foundations, companies and individuals, we serve over 3,000 young men and women in this program.

Scouts with special needs are encouraged to participate in the same programs that their peers do. They are asked to generally meet the same requirements is needed because they are impossible or too difficult to meet.





To offer those with disabilities quality programs, we are always in need of help. Please indicate how you would like to contribute to Viking Council's Special Needs Scouting program.

- Volunteering
- Financial Assistance
- In-kind contributions of facilities and services

Other: _____
If you are interested in a Special Needs Scouting program in your institution or organization, please check here.

Return the following information.

Name _____

Institution/Organization _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Challenger District Volunteers

Special Needs Scouting programs teach youth to:

Participate to the best of their ability; plan, start and complete a project; develop leadership skills; recognize their own and others' achievements; try new things; play fair and have fun; respect differences in others; and develop and maintain friendships. When special needs youth participate in Scouting, they also experience the fulfillment of these basic needs, which they may not experience if it were not for Scouting.

Activities include:

- Spring Camporee held annually for Challenger members.
- Summer camp held annually for Challenger members.
- Spirit Award Recognition are given to those Challenger Scouts who exemplify outstanding leadership, citizenship to their communities and fellow Scouts through spirit, unit service and camping experience.
- Summer Day Camp Programs are offered at various schools.
- In school Learning For Life, Champion Program.



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