



Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Dear Girl Scout Family,

We continue to actively monitor the COVID-19 situation through the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the New Mexico Department of Health. As Girl Scouts, we have an obligation to our community to do all that we can to limit the spread of this virus.

We have created a page on our website to address many of your questions regarding council events, troop activities, cookies, ACH and the status of council operations: [COVID-19 IMPORTANT UPDATES & FAQs](#)

We serve 23 counties in Northern and Central New Mexico, each with varying degrees of COVID-19 activity. In response to these varying circumstances and out of abundance of caution, we are taking the following steps:

### **Council Events**

GSNMT will be postponing all council-led programming, training, and special events through April 13 (30 days) and may postpone later events closer to their scheduled dates based on the COVID-19 situation at the time.

### **Community Events and Troop/Service Unit Activities**

Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails is following guidance from the New Mexico Department of Education. All in-person Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails troop meetings, service unit meetings, and girl/volunteer gatherings are suspended beginning March 16, 2020 until April 6, 2020.

### **Cookies**

Given the current local impact, we are making the following changes to the 2020 Girl Scout Cookie Program.

- **Extending the Program**
  - We are extending the 2020 Girl Scout Cookie Program through Sunday, April 19, 2020.
- **Cookie Booth Sales**
  - If you choose, you may continue to host cookie booths through Sunday, March 15, 2020. After this date, all troop booths will be suspended until April 6, 2020.

### **Council**

All GSNMT offices and La Tienda will continue operating as usual. Customer Care will continue to be available at [customercare@nmgirlscouts.org](mailto:customercare@nmgirlscouts.org).

Our [COVID-19 IMPORTANT UPDATES & FAQs](#) page will have the most up-to-date information. Be sure to bookmark and visit regularly as we monitor public health authority recommendations.

These have been difficult decisions in an unprecedented situation. We will continue to evaluate our operations based on the guidance of local authorities and will communicate with you regularly about our next steps.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to do what's best for our amazing girls and volunteers.