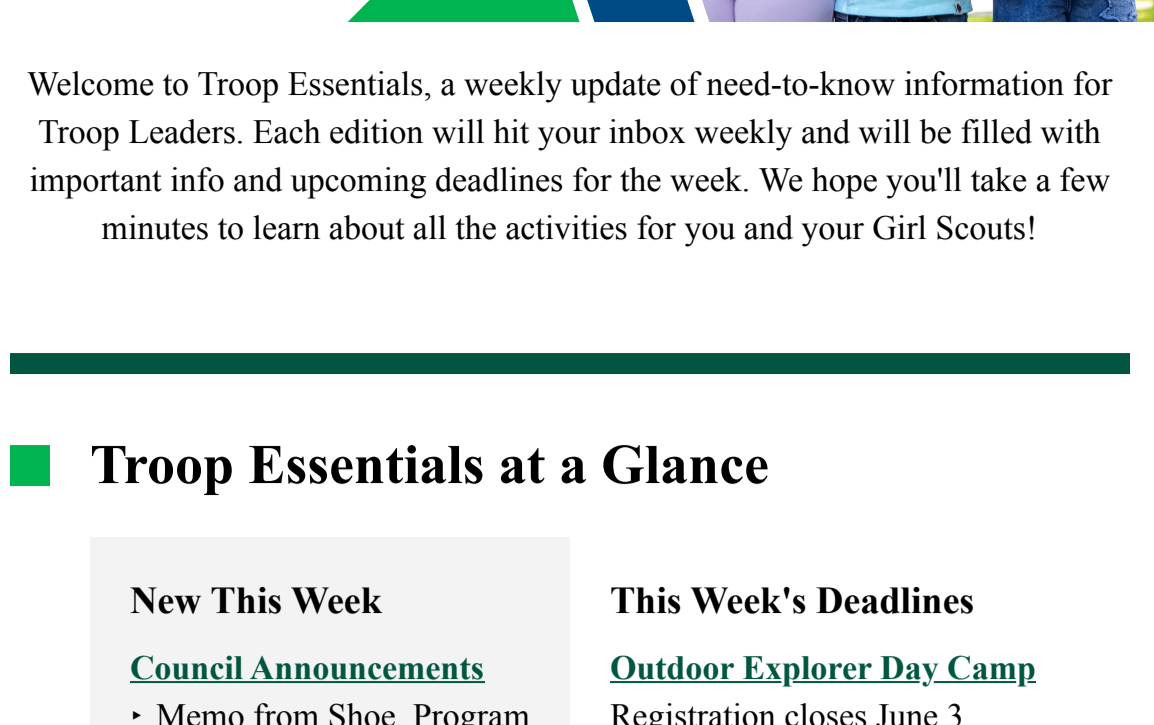


girlscouts of new mexico trails

June 1, 2026



Welcome to Troop Essentials, a weekly update of need-to-know information for Troop Leaders. Each edition will hit your inbox weekly and will be filled with important info and upcoming deadlines for the week. We hope you'll take a few minutes to learn about all the activities for you and your Girl Scouts!

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Every Girl Scout has a story to tell. Share the moments that define your Girl Scout experience – the challenges you overcame, the friendships you forged, the positive impact you made. These Mission Moments inspire us all and are vital in helping us tell the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails story on social media and in grant applications that support our mission.

[Share your Mission Moments here!](#)

Council Announcements

Memo from Shoe, Program & Outdoors

I am thrilled to invite girls to join us for an unforgettable adventure filled with friendship, laughter, outdoor exploration, and new experiences.

Action Needed

[Register here today!](#)

Day Camp is a place where girls can build confidence, discover new talents, and create lifelong memories while enjoying the beauty of the outdoors. It's that first step on your adventure path when you are not quite ready for that full overnight experience.

Every day is designed to inspire courage, curiosity, and teamwork. The first week, you will take on the outdoors, whether it is looking for bugs or making a tasty snack. Week 2 will be all about being a star, whether you are the main actress or behind the scenes, this will be your week to shine. Week 3 is all about fun and games, designing your perfect game, and then having fun playing everyone else's. Week 4 takes us to the past with myths and legends, do unicorns really exist, we will find out, or be on the lookout for fairies. Week 5 is all about design, whether it is fashion or hair, what is your jam, glitter and shine will be everywhere. Week 6 is all about the wild, whether it is animals or your sense of adventure. Maybe you want to go on a safari, or deep in the jungle. What is your favorite wild animal? Week 7 brings out the glue, paint, glitter, colored paper, and all things of art. Show off your skills in your own gallery. Our amazing staff is working hard to create a safe, welcoming, and fun environment where every girl can shine, try something new, and simply enjoy being a kid. Girls will have a chance to give their input and design a schedule that fits their interests and mood.

There is something truly magical about camp — the friendships formed, the confidence gained, and the moments that girls will carry with them long after summer ends. We will finish the summer off with a giant campout on July 31st. We cannot wait to share this incredible experience with you and make this summer the best one yet! What adventure week are you choosing?

See you at camp!

Program

Curtain Call Day Camp - June 15-19

A playful week of acting, movement, and creative expression. Campers explore theater warmups, improv, character creation, and simple stagecraft as they work together to bring a mini-production to life.

Action Needed

[Register here](#) by 5 p.m. on June 10

Whether she loves the spotlight or prefers behind-the-scenes magic, every girl finds a role where she can shine.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leaders, Girl Scouts, & their caregivers

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Taos Ski Valley Adventure Hike

Spend a full day exploring the scenic beauty of Taos Ski Valley on this all-ages adventure hike on June 27 at 9:45 a.m. Girl Scouts will trek to Williams Lake,

Action Needed

[Register here](#) by Noon on June 12

build outdoor skills, and earn the Trail Adventurer badge, with older girls taking on the ultimate challenge of summiting Wheeler Peak. Registration is \$5 per Girl Scout.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Valles Caldero Outdoor Adventure

Our Valles Caldera Outdoor Adventure invites families to unplug, explore, and connect with nature through guided activities designed for all ages.

Action Needed

[Register here](#) by noon on June 12

Whether you're hiking scenic trails, learning about the area's volcanic history, or spotting wildlife in the expansive Valle Grande, every moment becomes a hands-on learning experience.

Families will pay the entrance directly to the park or show their National Parks Pass. Registration with GSNMT is required as we need a roster of participants for the rangers before our arrival.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Daisy Zoo Watch Parties

Get ready for a wild adventure! Daisy Girl Scouts are invited to join us for a special viewing party featuring a live, behind-the-scenes experience with the Smithsonian's National Zoo & Conservation Biology Institute on June 27 at 11:30 a.m.

Action Needed

[Register for the ABQ Watch Party here](#) by noon on June 12

[Register for the Clovis Watch Party here](#) by noon on June 12

Meet amazing animals, enjoy popcorn, and create a fun nature-themed craft as you kick off your Girl Scout journey!

Who else should get this information: Daisy Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Membership

Membership Office Hours

Have questions about renewing your membership? Need to get ready for the year ahead? Not sure how to fill out your troop YEAR?

Action Needed

Use Meeting ID: 817 1100 9971 to [join via Zoom](#) with passcode GSNMT

Join us on Zoom for Membership Office Hours during June! Membership staff will be available to answer all your membership questions. Drop in anytime — we're here to help!

- Wednesday, June 3 from 6-7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 11 from 6-7:30 pm/7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 17 from 6-7:30 p.m.
- Monday, June 22 from 6-7:30 p.m.

Who else should get this information: Anyone with membership questions

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Volunteers

IMPORTANT: Summer Reminders!

As your troop or Service Unit enjoys summer activities, remember these important tips for safe and insured events.

Action Needed

Submit appropriate paperwork as listed above when planning an activity outside normal troop meetings and review and follow Safety Activity Checkpoints.

- **Troop Events** NOT at the regular meeting time OR location must have submitted an [Activity and Money Earning Notification](#).
- **Troop and Group Travel** for three nights or longer requires [Travel Training](#) and submission of [Extended Overnight Trip Applications](#).
- **Service Unit Events** must have submitted a [Service Unit Program Event Plan](#).
- Refer to the appropriate [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) to ensure you have adhered to safety requirements and received appropriate approval.
- Remind your Girl Scouts and families about best safety practices, like the buddy system, when out and about as a troop.

Who else should get this information: Service Unit Team Members, Troop Leadership, and activity planners

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

La Tienda News & Promotions

La Tienda Hours This Week

La Tienda is open Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. this week.

Action Needed

[Contact us](#) with your La Tienda needs

June Promotion: Get ready for your Girl Scout summer adventures! Save 20% on all gear at La Tienda for a limited time. Whether you are planning a camping trip, a day hike, or a weekend getaway, we have everything you need to prepare for the outdoors.

Shop lanterns, flashlights, fans, knives, backpacks, and so much more. Come in and visit us today to stock up for the season.

Birthday Club: Stop by La Tienda during your birthday month to receive your birthday fun patch!

Who else should get this message: Troop leadership, adult volunteers, and Girl Scout caregivers

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Product Program

Community Announcements

Community Service Opportunity - Albuquerque Fisher House

The Albuquerque Fisher House is seeking volunteers to help with a facility cleanup on **Saturday, June 27, 2026, from 7:00-9:00 AM.**

Action Needed

Please contact Carlos Velasquez at (505) 265-1711 ext. 3180 for more information & to sign up.

Volunteer tasks may include:

- Picking up trash
- Raking leaves
- Pulling weeds
- Sweeping

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Women's Veterans Day Celebration Invitation

On behalf of New Mexico Veterans' Memorial Park, we would like to warmly invite your troop to attend this year's Women Veterans Day Celebration.

Action Needed

[Click here](#) for more information.

This special event honors the courage, leadership, and service of women who have served in the United States Armed Forces. We believe the presence of young leaders such as the Girl Scouts would help make the celebration even more meaningful while also providing an opportunity for scouts to connect with and learn from women veterans in our community.

The event will include guest speakers, recognition ceremonies, and opportunities to celebrate the contributions of women in military service across generations.

We would be honored to have your troop join us in recognizing these remarkable women and supporting a day dedicated to service, leadership, and community.

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Help Blue Star Mothers With Care Packages

Rio Grande Valley Blue Star Mothers is getting ready to send out very special 4th of July care packages in honor of 250 years as a united nation.

Action Needed

Join Blue Star Moms on Saturday, June 13!

These packages will go to our local military serving overseas on June 13th. If you would like to help them assemble these care packages. Join them on Saturday, June 13th, from 9 am to 11 am at the Rio Grande Valley Blue Star Mothers Troop Support Center (2919 2nd Street NW, Albuquerque). They have over 70 cases of cookies and 300 candy and nut items to send. Don't forget to send us pictures if you help!

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Troop 11742 Food Drive

Every family deserves a safe place to call home. Girl Scout Troop 11742 of New Mexico Trails is hosting a donation drive to support Bernalillo County's Family Wellness Program, which helps families experiencing homelessness work toward stable housing, education, and employment.

Action Needed

Donations will be accepted through June 6 and can be placed in the collection box at the council.

Families staying in temporary hotel rooms often have limited cooking options and need simple, easy-to-prepare meals. Your support can make a meaningful difference as they rebuild with dignity and hope.

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Contact: [Louisa Garcia](#)

Service Unit 156 Donation Drive

Service Unit 156 is hosting a period product donation drive benefiting A Light in the Night, a charity that supports homeless women, men, and children.

Action Needed

For questions or to coordinate drop-off near Cottonwood Mall, please [email Anna Cummings](#) or call 505-417-2273.

Leaders are encouraged to share this information with their families, and collection boxes may be set up at places of business, schools, or places of worship.

Requested donations include pads, tampons, feminine hygiene wipes, individual factory-sealed packets of ibuprofen or Pamprin, and small chocolates to include in care boxes.

Donations are being accepted through June 8. Items may be delivered to Anna Cummings near Cottonwood Mall or placed in the donation box located at council.

Who else should get this message: Troop and Service Unit Leadership

Contact: [Anna Cummings](#)

Share Your Upcoming Events & Projects

Do you have an upcoming event or project that you'd like to share with all Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails troops/members?

Action Needed

[Contact us](#)

Send us your information to be included in future Troop Essentials emails!

Who else should get this message: Troop and Service Unit Leadership

Contact: [Katrina Montoya](#)

Previously Shared News

May 27, 2026

- Daisy Zoo Watch Parties
- Taos Ski Valley Adventure Hike
- Wilderness Warriors Troop Weekend
- Valles Caldero Outdoor Adventure
- Junior Confidence Club
- There's Still Time for Early Bird Registration
- Early Bird T-Shirt Reminder
- Troop 11742 Food Drive

May 18, 2026

- Office Closure: Memorial Day
- Backcountry Basics
- Hiking Adventure Club
- Playing by Brick
- Brick the Past at Las Golondrinas
- Outdoor Explorer Day Camp
- Introducing Khaki Crew
- Membership Office Hours
- La Tienda Special Hours
- Service Unit 156 Donation Drive

Visit the [Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails website](#) for more information and upcoming events.

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