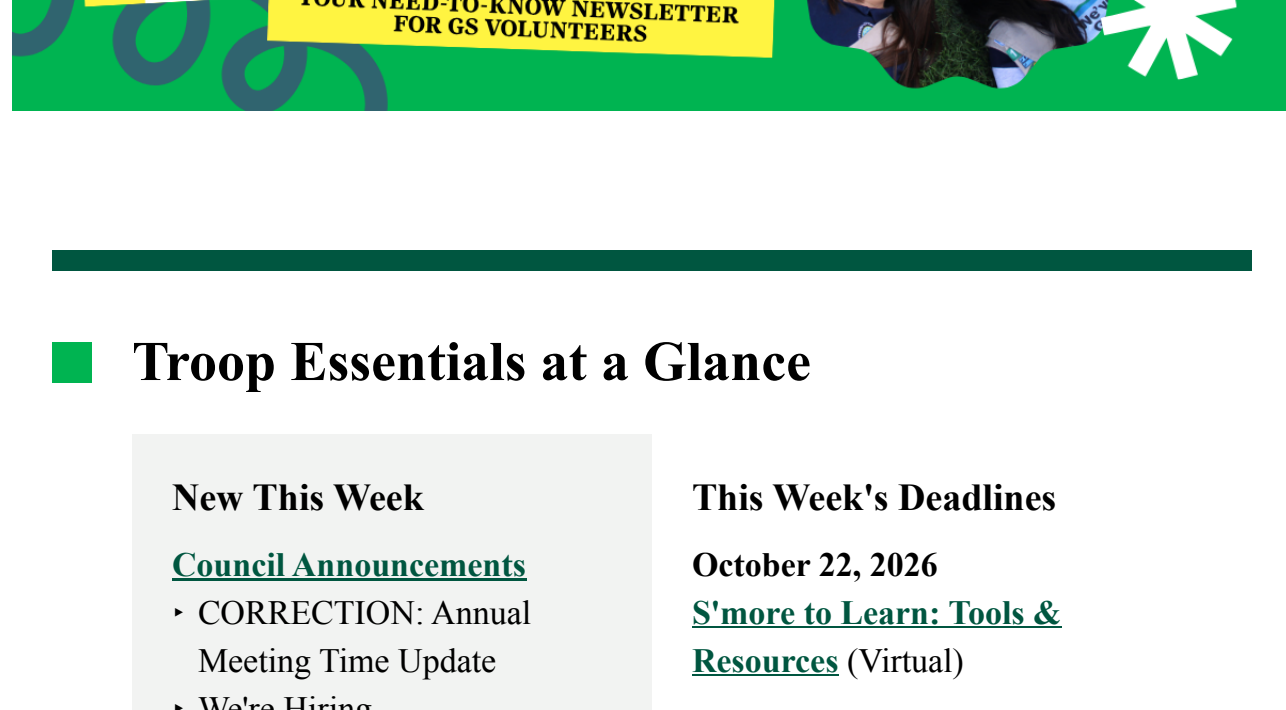


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Every Girl Scout has a story to tell. Share the moments that define your Girl Scout experience -- the challenges you overcame, the friendships you forged, the positive impact you made. These Mission Moments inspire us all and are vital in helping us 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

CORRECTION: Annual Meeting Time Update

Please note that the time listed for our Annual Meeting in this month's Girl Scout Gazette was incorrect.

The correct event time is **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, 2026.**

Action Needed

- ☐ Share this correction with fellow volunteers, Girl Scouts, & their caregivers

We apologize for any confusion and look forward to seeing you at the **Berna Facio Professional Development Center, 3315 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110.**

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

We're Hiring

Are you or someone you know interested in working for Girl Scouts? Click the link below for more details on career opportunities.

Action Needed

- ☐ [Apply to work](#) with Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails today!

Who else should get this information: Anyone Interested in Making a Difference in the Lives of New Mexico Girls

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Program

Route 66 Adventure Activity Pack | Self-Guided

Cost: \$5

Celebrate 100 years with our Route 66 Adventure Activity Pack self-guide! Explore the culture and excitement of the

iconic Mother Road at your own pace through fun activities, creative challenges, and hands-on learning.

Girls will build STEM projects, create Route 66-inspired art, design their own games, and learn how communities along the Mother Road thrived through creativity, resilience, and connection.

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) by Noon on November 13

Panem Project: Truth in the Capitol | December 16

Cost: \$10

JCSA Girl Scouts will uncover the secrets behind propaganda, storytelling, digital influence, and media manipulation

through interactive games, message challenges, Capitol broadcasts, and creative communication missions.

Participants will explore how stories shape communities and how one voice can inspire hope.

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) by noon on November 27

Artisan Craft Fair | December 5

Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout/Troop table, \$30 per adult-only table

Girl vendors are invited to sell handmade items, holiday goodies, original artwork, crafts,

accessories, and more. Whether they're just starting their business journey or already have products ready to share, we want to celebrate their creativity and leadership! Spaces are limited, so reserve your vendor booth today!

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) by noon on November 20

Membership

Happy New Girl Scout Year!

As we get ready for another amazing Girl Scout year, please remember to renew your membership and take a moment to review your Troop roster.

Be sure your Girl Scouts and adult volunteers have also renewed their memberships so everyone is ready to begin the new year together!

Thank you for helping us start the year strong and ensuring our Girl Scouts and volunteers are ready for another year of connection, growth, and adventure!

Who else should get this message: All members who have not renewed

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ Renew your memberships today!

Volunteers

Winter Solstice Celebration | December 21

Girl Scout Adults and Alum are invited to join us in celebrating the solstice and participating in some good, old fashioned Girl Scout fun!

Enjoy a solstice themed dinner with mocktail, make a solstice themed craft, and enjoy final celebration for the longest night of the year while mingling with other adult Girl Scouts!

Who else should get this message: Any troop volunteer wanting to learn more

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) by Noon on December 4, 2026

New to Girl Scouts? Join Us For S'more to Learn | October 22

New volunteers often have questions about Girl Scouts. Are you looking for tools and resources to help you lead your troop?

Do you just have questions and you would like to ask someone in real time?

Join us for this online session designed to help Girl Scout troop volunteers build confidence, strengthen their skills, and connect with fellow volunteers. The session will also include at least 30 minutes of open forum conversation and Q&A, giving you time to ask questions, share ideas, and learn alongside other troop volunteers.

Who else should get this message: Any troop volunteer wanting to learn more

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) for our Thursday, October 22nd session at 9:00 AM. Registration is open until 5:30 PM that day.

Youth Mental Health First Aid - VIRTUAL | November 7

Thanks to a partnership with the National Council for Mental

Wellbeing, GSUSA, United Way, and GSNMT, we can offer this \$170 course at a discount for our membership.

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among children and adolescents ages 12-18. Mental Health First Aid covers how to interact with a youth in crisis and how to connect them with help. This Virtual Course has about 3 hours of REQUIRED self-paced, online pre-work and an exam after the 4-hour virtual course. After completing this course and the required pre- and post-work, you will be certified for three years as a Youth Mental Health First Aider. Registration includes electronic versions of materials and a patch.

Who else should get this message: Interested Adults

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Action Needed

- ☐ [Register here](#) by Noon on October 23, 2026.

Volunteer Call-Explore What's Next For Girl Scouts | October 27 or November 7

Building on the summer announcement of Program Modernization to members, GSUSA will be hosting a special webinar this fall for volunteers to learn more about the future of the Girl Scout program experience and ask questions.

They'll share the why behind their efforts, how feedback from Girl Scouts, families, and volunteers is helping shape the next chapter of our Movement, and what volunteers can expect in the years ahead. They'll also provide a brief demonstration of the new Girl Scout Program Library, designed to make it easier than ever to discover badges, awards, patches, and activities for Girl Scouts of all ages.

To help accommodate as many participants as possible, please register for **only one** session. Space is limited.

Who else should get this message: Interested Adults

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

There are two opportunities for volunteers to participate in the webinar:

- ☐ [Tuesday, October 27, 8:00--9:00 p.m. ET](#)
- ☐ [Saturday, November 7, 1:00--2:00 p.m. ET](#)

La Tienda News & Promotions

La Tienda Hours This Week

La Tienda is open Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Action Needed

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

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

La Tienda October Promotion

For October, **take \$5 OFF any Girl Scout Self-Care Kit** at La Tienda Shop! It's the perfect little pick-me-up for a cozy night in, a thoughtful gift, or just because you deserve it. Stop by La Tienda Shop and grab yours!

Action Needed

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

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

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Product Program

Thursday, October 23: Last Day for Online Orders for Fall Product Program

Don't forget that Thursday, October 22nd, at 9:59 pm is the last day for customers to place online orders for candy and nut items for girl delivery or direct shipping. Magazine subscriptions, Bark Boxes, Tervis

Action Needed

- ☐ Please share this message with families who are participating in the Fall Product Program

tumblers, and personalized items also closes on Thursday, October 22nd at 9:59 pm.

Who else should get this message:Troop Leadership, Troop Fall Product Chairs and families participating in the Fall Product Program

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Sunday, October 25th - Last Day for Reward Selections

Don't forget Sunday, October 25th is the last day for Girl Scouts or Troop Fall Product Chairs to make selections for rewards in the M2OS system. If families need help selecting rewards, they can view this video for help:

Action Needed

- ☐ Fall Product Program Chairs need to ensure all rewards are selected and follow up with families who have reward selections due.

Fall Product Program: How to Track A Girl Scout's Progress and Select Rewards. Families and Troop Chairs will not be able to select rewards after 9:59 p.m. on October 25th. Please make sure rewards are selected so we can begin the process of ordering rewards.

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Troop MagNut Chairs, and families participating in the Fall Product Program

Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Community Announcements

Opportunity to Help at Empty Bowls Event on October 24, 2026

Storehouse New Mexico, a food pantry in Albuquerque, is looking for a few volunteers to help at the [2026 Empty Bowls](#) event being held on October 24, 2026, at St. John's United Methodist Church.

Action Needed

- ☐ If interested in volunteering, please email Stacey Mounce at smounce@goadclante.org

Girl Scout Juniors and older are welcome to help. There are two shifts to help with: 10:30-12:30 and 12:00-2:00. Here are some of the tasks to help with:

- Line Monitor to help direct people to ticket sales, bowl sales, and the food line
- Bread and cookie servers
- Runners/Refillers to help make sure napkin, utensil, and water containers are full
- Table cleaners to help put fresh place mats on tables and make sure the tables are clean

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

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- Kitchen Rookie Boot Camp: Brownie Snacks
- The Great Kitchen Clean-up Catastrophe: Brownie Household Elf
- Artisan Craft Fair
- New to Girl Scouts? S'more to Learn
- Volunteer Call: Explore What's Next for Girl Scouts
- Still Time to Participate in Fall Product Program
- Thursday, October 15th - Last Day to Submit 2026-2027 Product Program Girl Permission Form for Fall Product Program
- Opportunity to Help at Empty Bowls Event on October 24, 2026

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- Girl Scouts of Panem: Catching Fire
- Native American Heritage Month at the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture

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

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