

Special Needs Scouting Service Award Provisional Application



Requirements

I. Complete the following two (2) requirements:

1. Be a registered adult or professional staff with the B.S.A. and maintain current Youth Protection Training.
2. Actively participate in activities concerning youth who have disabilities/special needs through either the unit (pack, troop or crew), or at either the District or Council or Area or Regional or National level for three (3) years.

II. Complete 6 of the following 12 requirements:

4. Attend a training seminar or conference on disabilities/special needs sponsored and conducted by the B.S.A or through an organization that serves youth and/or adults with disabilities/special needs, i.e. A.R.C., Blind Associations, Cerebral Palsy Agencies, Independent Living Resource Centers, Autism Societies, Special Olympics, etc.
5. Present one of the nationally approved disabilities/special needs classes (e.g., classes within the College of Commissioner Science curriculum or classes prepared by the National Disabilities Awareness Subcommittee) at any level.
6. Serve as a Staff member at either a District, Council, Area, Regional or National event which presents a theme of youth with disabilities/special needs in Scouting.
7. Create and organize a unit (pack, troop or crew) to primarily serve youth with disabilities/special needs and be open for membership by youth not possessing disabilities/special needs.
8. Serve as a Mentor for a Scout who has disabilities/special needs for six (6) months.

9. Serve as a Group Discussion leader on Scouting for youth with disabilities/special needs at either a Roundtable or District Commissioner meeting or similar gathering of volunteer Scouters and/or professional Scouters.
10. Promote and assist in organizing and conducting an outdoor event for youth with disabilities/special needs, or one that promotes disabilities awareness and acceptance among those who don't have a disability.
11. Recruit and register either two (2) adults to volunteer in providing Scouting opportunities to youth with disabilities/special needs or recruit two (2) youth with disabilities/special needs to join Scouting and remain a member for one (1) year.
12. Assist the District or Council in forming a Partnership with an organization that serves individuals with disabilities/special needs.
13. Actively serve on a District, Council, Area, Regional or National Committee on Scouting with disabilities/special needs for two years.
14. Assist the local council in efforts to raise funds for Scouts with disabilities/special needs concerning activities within the Scouting program.
15. Assist the local council in a public awareness campaign to heighten knowledge of Scouting with disabilities/special needs.

This Award is retroactive for purposes of satisfying the above requirements.

This Award may be earned by Volunteer Scouters and Professional Scouters.

Once an individual has completed the requirements to this award, he or she shall forward the completed application to the District for review and approval by the Council Scout Executive, or designee.

Applicant Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Country _____ Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____

Email _____ Scouting affiliation _____

Unit type and # _____ District _____ Council _____

Requirements check off (see above for exact criteria):

- 1. Registered Adult or Professional Staff
- 2. Three (3) years of active participation supporting of Scouts or Scouting with disabilities

Description: _____

Complete six (6) of the following (see Requirements above for exact criteria):

- 4. Attend training on special needs/disabilities

Description: _____

- 5. Present an approved class on Scouting with Disabilities

Description: _____

- 6. Staff a disability awareness-themed Scouting event

Description: _____

- 7. Organize a unit to serve youth with disabilities/special needs

Description: _____

- 8. Mentor a Scout with disabilities/special needs for six (6) months

Description: _____

9. Discussion leader on Scouting with disabilities at District or similar event

Description: _____

10. Assist with outdoor event for youth with disabilities/special needs

Description: _____

11. Recruit and register at least two (2) adults or at least two (2) Scouts

Description: _____

12. Assist in establishing a partnership

Description: _____

13. Serve on a disability Scouting committee for two (2) years:

Description: _____

14. Assist in fundraising for Scouting with disabilities

Description: _____

15. Assist with a council public awareness campaign

Description: _____

District Review on date _____ initials _____

Approved by council on date _____ by (position) _____

Signature

Awards are approved at the council level.

When approving this award, please also email the National Disabilities Awareness Subcommittee (NDAS) at disabilitiesawareness@scouting.org (SUBJECT: "SNSSA") with the council's name and number of knots awarded.