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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA® YUCCA COUNCIL

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### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

### THE SCOUT OATH (PROMISE)

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

### THE SCOUT LAW

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

### HISTORY

The first charter application on file in the Scout Office is dated August 1918, and covers a report of activity during the year 1917. The Council was composed of El Paso County only and there were 8 troops registered at that time. Mr. Glenn O. Everyman was the first Scout Executive. He served as Scout Executive until January 1923. When he left, the Council included Dona Ana County, El Paso County and two Mormon Colonies in Mexico - Colonia Juarez and Colonia Dublan. At the close of 1922 there were 35 troops of 673 scouts in the Council; of these there were 31 troops in the City of El Paso with 523 Scouts.

### FACTS, FIGURES & FUNDING

The Yucca Council proudly serves El Paso, Hudspeth, Dona Ana, Otero, Sierra, Grant and Luna counties in West Texas and Southern New Mexico. The Yucca Council serves nearly 7,000 members, which includes over 4,500 youth and 2,500 adults, in over 200 youth programs. To support Scouting's growth in 2017, the Yucca Council raised more than \$900,000 through Friends of Scouting, Popcorn Sales, Special Fundraising Events, Scouting Activities and Foundations and Grants.

### SINCE 1921

- 135 lives saved by Scouts
- 8,000 Boy Scouts earned Scouting's highest rank—the Eagle Scout Award
- 230,000 adults served as volunteers
- 900,000 Merit Badges earned by Boy Scouts
- 700,000 youth have participated in Scouting
- 350,000 Rank Advancements earned by Scouts
- 1 million pounds of food collected for Scouting for Food
- 7.7 million hours of community service provided by Scouts

### COUNCIL PROPERTIES

The Yucca Council operates two camp properties - Camp Dale Resler (Cloudcroft, NM) & Camp Pioneer (Sunland Park, NM). Both camps offer year-round camping opportunities for Scouts and also serve as host sites for District and Council activities. Together, these properties encompass more than 200 acres of high mountain and desert terrain for varied Scouting activities.



Ricardo Juarez, Mescalero District Chair; Mitch G. and Ernie G., Yucca Council Boy Scouts, meeting past Texas Governor Rick Perry



Cub Scouts from Pack 438 enjoying marshmallows around the campfire.



# Family Programs in the Yucca Council



## Cub Scouting

A family and home centered program for youth in the first through fifth grade (or 6-10 years old). Cub Scouting's emphasis is on a quality program at the local level, where the most youth and families are involved. In fourth and fifth grade (or 10-years-old) Scouts are called **Webelos (WE'll BELOyal)** Scouts and they participate in more advanced activities that begin to prepare them for Boy Scouting.



## Boy Scouting

A year-round program for youth age 11 – 17 that provides fun outdoor activities, peer group leadership opportunities, and a personal exploration of career, hobby and special interests. The program is designed to achieve the Boy Scouts of America's objectives of strengthening character, personal fitness and good citizenship.



## Venturing

A program for youth (ages 14 to 20) that includes challenging high-adventure activities, sports, and hobbies that teach leadership skills, provide opportunities to teach others, and give them an opportunity to learn and grow in a supporting, caring, and fun environment.



## ScoutReach – “Unidos Prosperamos”

ScoutReach is the Boy Scouts of America's commitment to ensuring all young people have an opportunity to join Scouting, regardless of their circumstances, neighborhood, or ethnic background. Locally, the Unidos Prosperamos initiative gives special leadership and emphasis to urban and rural Scouting programs.



## Learning for Life

Learning for Life offers seven school-based programs that focus on character development and career education to help youth develop social and life skills, assist them with character and career development, and foster positive personal values to prepare them to make ethical decisions that will enable them to achieve their full potential. For more information: [www.learningforlife.com](http://www.learningforlife.com).



## Exploring

Exploring is a unique career exploration program for young men and women ages 10 - 20. The program provides students with an opportunity to learn about a wide variety of career fields and network with professionals already working in those fields. Youth get hands-on experience to determine whether a particular career field is right for them. Youth develop valuable networking contacts with professionals working in their selected career fields, and get to know other youth with similar interests and aspirations. For more information: [www.exploring.org](http://www.exploring.org).



## National Eagle Scout Association (NESA)

A fellowship of men who have achieved the Eagle Scout rank and who wish to employ their efforts and influence toward forming the kind of young men America needs for leadership. The objective of NESA is to serve Eagle Scouts and, through them, the entire movement of Scouting. For more information: [www.nesa.org](http://www.nesa.org).

## **For More Information**

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