

The “True” Cost of Scouting “The Iceberg Analogy”

What you see above the water is only about 20% of what Scouting provides to our members.

Books, Uniforms, “Boys’ Life”, Equipment, Registration, Activity Fees, Meeting Place Costs, etc.



But there is a whole lot more below the waterline!

Program

Planning and coordination for camping, camporees, OA, Klondikes, PW derby, etc

Volunteer and Staff Training

Formal and informal training for 1,000s of volunteer leaders every year. Roundtables, & Pow Wow.

Insurance Coverage

To protect our volunteers, staff members, and property.

Support Staff

For registration, recording advancement, typing publications, and program support.

Reference Publications and Resources

Everything from program planning kits and planning calendars to camping guides.

Administrative Needs

Computers and link-up to the National Computer System, copy machine and other office equipment. Email service to provide up-to-date information. Legal support. Coordinate with National Council on policies and procedures for safe programing, etc

Camp Equipment

Tents, cooking equipment, camp vehicles, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement and repair, and upkeep of your council camps.

Recognitions

For leaders who attend training, volunteer for special projects and help out in many roles throughout Scouting.

Professional Staff

Our full-time staff who work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fund-raising programs, conduct trainings, work with membership recruitment, provide counseling and advice for your unit and district, our camps, and programs.

Friendly Camp Caretakers

To keep our beautiful camps up-to-date and ready for our Scouts.

Camp Promotion

For Moses Scout Reservation, Boy Scout Resident Camp, Cub Scout Resident Camp, and Cub Day Camps.

Service Centers

Utilities, insurance, repairs and care for your headquarters. Stock, staff, and operate two Scout trading posts for your convenience.

Charter Fees

For every Scouting youth, leader, and unit.

Audio Visual Supplies

Used in training, camp support.

Postage

Mailings to leaders, parents, and youth members.

Council Newsletter

The “Compass,” the newsletter, so you know what is going on in Scouting.

Council Website

Go online to learn more about your council and its programs

Unit Program Calendar

Many other items provided to help you plan your weekly program.

The majority of costs of the Scouting program, like running our camps, record keeping, materials, training programs, support staff and insurance, are hidden beneath the surface, just like an iceberg. The 80 percent that isn't visible is what keeps the rest afloat.

Help keep Scouting afloat!

