

Subject: *Unlock Adventure and Growth for Your Child with Scoutreach!*

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Imagine your child discovering new talents, building lifelong friendships, and developing the confidence to tackle any challenge. That's the power of Scouting, and **Scoutreach**, supported by the Mountain West Council, Scoutreach provides an enriching Scouting experience at **no cost** to you or your family.

What is Scoutreach?

Scoutreach is a unique program designed to bring the benefits of Scouting to youth who face barriers such as geographic, social, or financial challenges. It is part of the Mountain West Council's effort to make sure that every child, regardless of their circumstances, has the chance to experience the growth, fun, and adventure that Scouting offers.

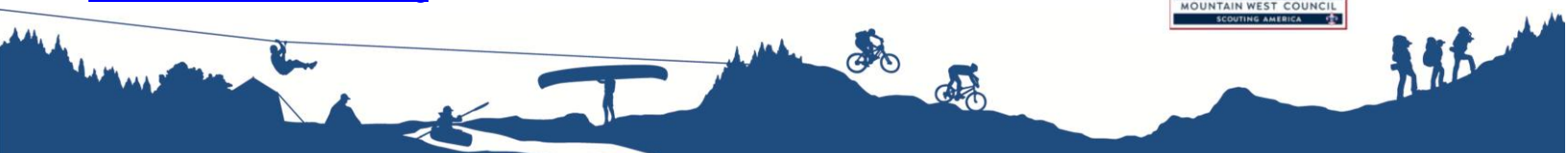
Scoutreach delivers a traditional Scouting program in a non-traditional way, especially tailored for youth in underserved communities across Idaho. This program aims to foster positive character development, build leadership skills, and promote healthy living. By participating, your child will be guided by caring adult mentors who provide a safe and nurturing environment while teaching life skills that will benefit them for years to come.

Why should your child join?

Scoutreach provides a range of valuable experiences for your child:

- **Character Development:** Helping your child grow into a confident, responsible individual.
- **Adventure & Fun:** Offering exciting outdoor activities and hands-on learning opportunities.
- **Leadership Skills:** Providing chances for your child to lead and work as part of a team.
- **Community Impact:** Teaching the value of service and making a difference in their community.

The Scoutreach program is accessible to children who live in urban, rural, and low-income neighborhoods—places where traditional Scouting units may not be easily available. By partnering with local schools, community organizations, and churches, Scoutreach ensures that your child can participate in Scouting activities without barriers like cost or location.



How does Scoutreach work?

Scoutreach units are typically delivered during the school day or as after-school programs, led by trained Program Aides and supported by adult volunteers from the local community. The program is designed to meet the unique needs of the community while maintaining the core values of Scouting. Through Scoutreach, youth are introduced to a modified Scouting experience that is tailored to be culturally inclusive and geographically relevant.

What's next?

Your child will be bringing home:

- A Youth Application
- A Program Flier
- A Schedule of Activities

Please complete the youth application and return it. If you require an alternative submission method or need it translated, feel free to reach out to **Katie Downs** at **(509) 230-0222** or **katie.downs@scouting.org**.

We are committed to offering your child has the opportunity to experience the transformative power of Scouting thru active participation, exciting adventures, leadership opportunities, and community service through Scoutreach. If you have any questions or need more information, don't hesitate to contact **Katie Downs** or **George Thomas** at the Scouting Office.

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Give your child the gift of adventure, growth, and lifelong memories. Join us in Scouting!

Sincerely,

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