

Quick-Guide for Scout Service Project Fundraising

Fundraising:

- Projects may not be fundraisers.
- Whether or not fundraising takes place is the Scout's decision based on the needs of his/her project. Fundraising is not mandatory to complete the requirements to become an Eagle, Summit or Quartermaster Scout.
- Typical unit fundraisers, with which unit leadership is familiar, such as car washes, are the best options.
- The Scout must make it clear to all donors or event participants that the money is being raised on behalf of the project beneficiary, which will retain leftover funds.
- BSA uniforms should not be worn for solicitation of project donations.
- Any contracts must be signed by a responsible adult, acting as an individual, without reference to the Boy Scouts of America.
- Any products sold or fundraising activities must not include raffles or other games of chance.
- "Coin drops" are not permitted

The Form:

- Unless it involves contributions only from the beneficiary, or from the candidate, his parents or relatives, his unit or its chartered organization, or from parents or members in his unit, a fundraising application must be submitted and approved by the local district or council.
- The form must be submitted and approved **before** beginning any fundraising.
- The current version of the Scout Service Project Fundraising Application, from the current Eagle or Summit Scout Service Project Workbook must be used.
- Signatures from both the project beneficiary and the unit leader are required prior to submitting the application.
- A list of prospective business community donors and what each will be asked to donate must be provided with the fundraising application.
- Include a value for "How much money do you expect to raise?" This number should be consistent with the "Preliminary Cost Estimate" on the Scout Service Project Proposal. That value should include materials, supplies, tools (purchased or rented, not borrowed) and professional services (purchased or donated). Discrepancies should be explained.
- Forms for less than \$500 can be approved at the district level, \$500 or more are approved at the council level

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