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UNITED WAY PATCH PROGRAM

WHAT: A patch program for Brownie, Junior, Cadette and Senior Troops

PURPOSE: To help Girl Scouts become more familiar with the United Way, its purpose, the services it provides and its importance in the community.

REQUIREMENTS: Troop participating must complete each of the starred (*) activities and 3 additional activities. Troops may purchase a patch in the GSHNC store after completing the patch program.

ACTIVITIES

Complete each of the starred (*) activities plus 3 additional activities to complete the patch requirements.

- * 1. What is the United Way? Who benefits from their services? Who is responsible for the operation of the United Way and its funded agencies?
- * 2. What does the United Way symbol look like? What does it mean?
- * 3. Find out how many and which agencies in your community are funded by United Way.
- * 4. Make a collage of things, people, situations, etc., that reflects the needs of the community which United Way serves (child care, homeless, disability services, elderly care, youth development, etc.)
5. Volunteer at least two (2) hours at a United Way agency in your community. (For example: American Red Cross, Salvation Army, YWCA, Goodwill).
6. Conduct a service project for the United Way office; volunteer at least two (2) hours of service.
7. Call the United Way office or a United Way agency for a tour, or ask a United Way staff member or volunteer to come talk to your troop.
8. Find out how much money was raised in the last United Way Drive. How is the money distributed? Who is involved in finding out about community needs?
9. Find out what guidelines and requirements are necessary to become a United Way Agency.
10. What is involved in the United Way allocations process?