

Merit Badge Listing

The following is a list of all current merit badges, arranged into 14 fields of activity. Eagle required badges noted in red.

Agribusiness Animal Science, Farm Mechanics, Plant Science

Arts and Crafts Art, Basketry, Bugling, Leatherwork, Metalwork, Music, Pottery, Sculpture, Theater, Wood Carving

Business and Industry American Business, Digital Technology, Entrepreneurship, Inventing, Mining In Society, Pulp & Paper, Salesmanship, Textiles

Communications **Communications**, Journalism, Moviemaking, Photography, Public Speaking, Radio, Reading

Conservation **Environmental Science**, Fish and Wildlife Management, Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation, **Sustainability**

Hobbies and Outdoors Backpacking, **Camping**, Chess, Coin Collecting, Collections, Cooking, Dog Care, Gardening, Genealogy, **Hiking**, Model Design & Building, Pets, Pioneering, Scouting Heritage, Stamp Collecting, Wilderness Survival

Natural Science Archaeology, Astronomy, Bird Study, Geology, Insect Study, Mammal Study, Nature, Oceanography, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Weather

Personal Development American Cultures, American Heritage, **Citizenship in the Community**, **Citizenship in the Nation**, **Citizenship in the World**, Disabilities Awareness, **Family Life**, Indian Lore, **Personal Fitness**, **Personal Management**, Scholarship

Physical Science Chemistry, Electricity, Electronics, Energy, Nuclear Science, Space Exploration

Professions Architecture, Dentistry, Engineering, Game Design, Landscape Architecture, Law, Medicine, Programming, Robotics, Surveying, Veterinary Medicine

Public Service Crime Prevention, **Emergency Preparedness**, Fingerprinting, Fire Safety, **First Aid**, **Lifesaving**, Public Health, Safety, Search & Rescue

Sports Archery, Athletics, Canoeing, Climbing, **Cycling**, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Geocaching, Golf, Horsemanship, Kayaking, Motorboating, Orienteering, Rifle Shooting, Rowing, Scuba Diving, Shotgun Shooting, Skating, Small-Boat Sailing, Snow Sports, Sports, **Swimming**, Water Sports, Whitewater

Trades American Labor, Automotive Maintenance, Composite Materials, Drafting, Graphic Arts, Home Repairs, Painting, Plumbing, Welding, Woodwork

Transportation Aviation, Railroading, Traffic Safety, Truck Transportation

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MERIT BADGE SPONSORS—OUR VERY SPECIAL MARIN COUNCIL FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Marin Council, Boy Scouts of America, Merit Badge Sponsors are special Friends of Scouting donors who provide opportunities for Marin County youth to benefit from Scouting's rich traditions of Adventure, Leadership, and Service. Unlike many other youth programs, Scouting is a year-round activity and is a model of positive youth development.

Scouting addresses the needs of Marin's youth through:

- **Ongoing adult mentoring relationships** Scouts are supported over many years by volunteer leaders who help provide a sustainable role model that can be critical in their development. This type of ongoing, multiyear mentorship is just not found in schools or sports.
- **The teaching of applicable real-life skills** Through Scouting, young people learn everything from swimming to cooking, public speaking to budgeting, and first aid to bird study. These skills are reinforced through the merit badge program and helps youth develop self-confidence and self-efficacy.
- **The opportunity for true leadership** Scouting is supported by adults, but lead by young people who plan and run the majority of meetings and activities. These leadership roles help young people develop managerial skills that will set the stage for a successful life.

Scouting helps young people in five critical areas of positive youth development:

Connection Scouts are part of a community—something bigger than themselves.

Competency Scouts learn basic skills that help them every day and throughout life.

Confidence Through leadership and experience, they gain self-confidence.

Caring A Scout is a friend to all and through community service develops a sense of caring.

Character A Scout lives by the Scout Oath and Law to be a person with strong values.

With your support as a Friends of Scouting Merit Badge Sponsor, the Marin Council will be able to ensure that more youth will be able to participate in our unique Scouting programs.

BENEFITS OF SPONSORSHIP FOR YOUR BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION

The Merit Badge Sponsorship Program is part of the Marin Council's annual giving campaign but is designed to offer business and community supporters unique marketing benefits themed around the BSA merit badge program.

Your support as a Merit Badge Sponsor will be highlighted throughout the year in communications with our nearly 2000 Marin Council, BSA, youth and families, our 800 adult volunteers, and over 1000 other financial supporters. Benefits include:

Merit Badge Sponsorship (\$500 each)

- A complimentary copy of the Merit Badge pamphlet you sponsor
- Signage recognition at the Marin Council service center and at select Scouting activities.
- Logo and name recognition on the Marin Council web site
- Logo and name recognition in the Marin Council online newsletter
- A framed certificate for display in your office or home
- Two dinner tickets for the Marin Council Donor Recognition Dinner held in the spring of each year.

Eagle Merit Badge Sponsorship (\$1000)

- All of the above recognition benefits, plus:
- A special gift presented at our Donor Recognition Dinner
- Two complimentary dinner tickets for the Marin Council Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Choose the merit badge (see back cover) your business/organization wishes to sponsor this year, and include on your Friends of Scouting donation card.



2016 Merit Badge Sponsorship Program Commitment Form

Please sign me up for the following:

- \$500 Merit Badge Sponsorship
 \$1000 Eagle Merit Badge Sponsorship
 Check enclosed Please bill me



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Company _____

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Merit Badge(s) _____

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