

Annual Impact Report 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR



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Dear Friends of Girl Scouts,

Innovative, girl-led, girl-centered programming and experiences that allow girls to take the lead early and often....this is the heart of our Girl Scout Leadership Experience! It's robust opportunities for girls that instill skills that ensure she'll thrive in whatever path she chooses to pursue.



As an integral part of the girl leadership movement, we are confident that local girls in the Sierras will lead us into the future. They will live out the incredible G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader) potential that we know is in each and every one of them.

And with the 4,900 girls we serve at the center of everything we do, Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada has a lot to celebrate from this past year. From sending girls at-risk to Camp Wasiu II to implementing brand new Space Science and Cybersecurity badge curriculum, our successes are accredited to supporters like you who believe and invest in the mission of Girl Scouts.

Thank you for your support, and we hope you enjoy our 2017-2018 Annual Impact Report. Take a look inside!

Sincerely,

Cam Czyz

Jamii Uboldi, Board President

Pam Czyz, CEO



Powering Amazing Experiences

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girl-run financial literacy program in the world. Through the program, Girl Scouts learn and practice five essential financial literacy skills:

- · Money Management
- Goal Setting
- Decision Making
- · Business Ethics
- · People Skills

2018 marked the first year Girl Scouts in our council sold cookies from Little Brownie Bakers (LBB), our new cookie baker partner.

2,116 Girl Scouts participated in the Girl Scout Cookie Program this past year, selling delicious cookies customers ask for by name. Many Girl Scouts also donated boxes of cookies through the Gift of Caring program to several local nonprofit organizations, such as Blue Star Mothers of Sierra Nevada and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. Through immersive workshops such as Cookie Rookie and Cookie CEO, Girl Scouts across our council were well-prepared for a successful cookie season.

468,399 boxes of cookies sold

3,518

boxes of cookies donated to various area nonprofit organizations

Adventure

Girl Scouts are known to pack their bags full of life-changing experiences and make friends from all over the country! **Girl Scouts and adult volunteers traveled to Belize in 2018** on an international adventure sponsored by Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada.

14Girl Scouts traveled to Belize

10 days explored throughout Belize

During the trip, girls explored the jungles, wildlife, historical sites, and islands of Belize. They hiked ancient ruins, ziplined, floated through limestone caves, enjoyed delicious local food, and made awesome Belizean friends along the way. They even had the opportunity to swim with sharks and rays!

Activities included:

- A wildlife-rich boat excursion to the ancient Mayan city of Lamanai
- Jungle survival training at Peccary Hills National Park
- An investigation into the exotic animals at the Belize Zoo
- Exploration of the ruins of the ancient Mayan city of Xunanatunich
- A visit to an elementary school where girls learned about the Belizean school system and had a memorable time sharing songs and playing games with the students





Reach for the Stars

Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada (GSSN) introduces Girl Scouts of every age to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to help them see how they can improve the world. Our goal through our "fun with purpose" K-12 STEM curriculum is for every girl to explore different aspects of STEM and to inspire girls to embrace and celebrate scientific discovery in their lives.

In 2018, **new Girl Scout STEM-related badges were released,** preparing Girl Scouts to make a difference in cybersecurity, mechanical engineering, environmental advocacy, robotics, and space exploration.

GSSN was also selected as one of only nine Girl Scout councils in the nation to pilot the NASA: "Reaching for the Stars" grant program in partnership with Girl Scouts of the USA, SETI Institute, Aries, University of Arizona, the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, and NASA. Through the grant, Girl Scout troops across the council pilot tested new badges that will help girls in grades K-12 explore space science, make discoveries, and learn about related careers.

24

troops participated in the "Reaching for the Stars" pilot grant program

30

new Girl Scout STEM-related badges are available to all Girl Scouts

Camp Wasiu II

GSSN's summer resident camp and outdoor programs provide girls with time in nature away from a digital environment. **Camp Wasiu II, our beautiful overnight camp near Sierra City, California, provides girls in grades 1 to 12 with a deep appreciation for environmental stewardship.** Our camp attendance this summer grew by 5 percent over last summer's attendance, providing more leadership opportunities and outdoor experiences for girls from northern Nevada and northeastern California.

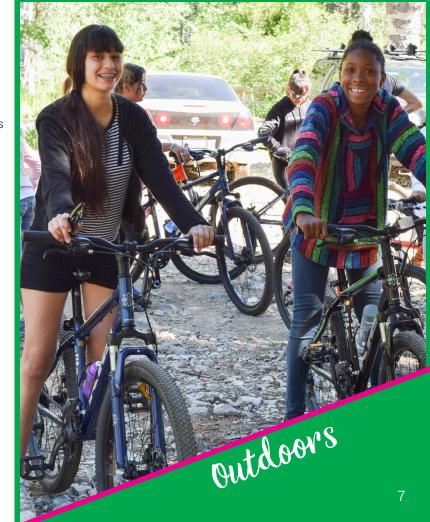
581

total campers attended Camp Wasiu II

52

girls from our Low-Income Families & Neighborhoods Program attended camp at no cost to their families

This year was Camp Wasiu II's 30th anniversary! Popular camp activities this summer included archery, stand-up paddle boarding, canoeing, shelter building, backpacking, playing giant chess and Jenga, and taking rides on our new mountain bikes, generously donated by the ROCares Foundation in coordination with the Reno Bike Project! Through these activies, 22 environmental and nature-related badge earning opportunities were available to girls, such as "Outdoor Adventurer," "Survival Camper," and "Eco Friend."



All That Glitters

Girl Scouts Highest Awards

Presented by
Kinross Bald Mountain



Girl Scouts is the only place where girls can earn the Gold Award - one of the most prestigious awards for girls in the world!

Earning a Girl Scout Gold Award is a great boost when it comes to applying for college and scholarships, establishing a lifetime network, and so much more! Younger girls can also complete their Bronze and Silver awards - and this year, we had 65 Bronze Award Girl Scouts and 27 Silver Award Girl Scouts in our council. All three awards give girls the chance to make powerful, lasting change in their community while working on an issue that has captured their interest in a big way.

Gold Award Girl Scouts



Maxime Grieve "Project Plant"

Awarded the Joseph P. and Lotus Crutchfield-Healy Memorial Scholarship



Baylee Mee
"Grow the Girl's Game"



Theresa Sandborn
"Zephyr Cove Native
Plant Walk"

Silver Award Girl Scouts

Troop 26Fabulous Fluffy
Friends

Troop 67 *R.A.V.E. Renovation*

Troop 143Habitats for Native Plants and Animals

Troop 143Brighter Colors and Brighter Kids

Troop 210 *Bowls o' Mud*

Troop 254 *The Giving Tree*

Troop 398
Clayton Middle
School Native
Plants and
Beautification

Troop 515Animal Shelter
Clinic Storage

Troop 798
Warrior Girls
- Preventing
Youth Sports
Injuries

Troop 1101 *Tales Twice Read*

Troop 1313
Truckee
Middle School
Volunteer
Opportunities





Bronze Award Girl Scouts

Troop 164Safe Embrace

Troop 256 *Kindness Community*

Troop 256 *Bullying Awareness*

Troop 317Dayton Valley Wildlife
Rabbit and Birds of
Prey Habitats Update

Troop 539 *The Duck Project*

Troop 580 *Project Bighorn*

Troop 689 *Welcome Home Bags*

Troop 909Be Happy; Bullies
Hate It

Troop 910 Linus Project

Troop 915Outreach World
Thinking Day

Troop 1019 *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle*

Troop 1306Caps for Cancer

Troop 1473Science Night



TRUMPHANT CELEBRATING WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP DINNER

Presented by United Federal Credit Union

Congratulations to our 2017 TRIUMPHANT Honorees! These local women inspire today's girls to become tomorrow's great leaders. We cannot thank our community enough for coming together to celebrate women and girls, and for **raising critical funds** needed to expand essential Girl Scout programs throughout the year.



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Donations from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 are reflected in this Impact Report.

Our apologies if we have inadvertently missed your name or company. Please contact us for any corrections: (775) 322-0642 ext. 1232.

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Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 FINANCIALS

Consolidated Statement of Activities for the Year Ending September 30, 2018

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Contributions \$316,814

Non-Cash Contributions \$5,296

Legacies & Bequests \$11,315

Total Public Support \$333,425

REVENUE

Cookie Sales (Net of Cost) \$1,432,668 Special Events & Corporate Sponsorships \$61,774 Fall Product Sales \$33,978 Sale of Merchandise \$39,293 Program Service Fees \$170,772 Investment Income \$45,242 Miscellaneous \$163,350 Total Revenue \$1,947,077

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Total Expenses

Program Services \$1,745,871

Supporting Services

\$2,244,075

Operating Reserve Contribution Ending Net Assets \$36,427 \$2,484,443

\$498,204



Juliette Gordon Low Society

The GSSN Juliette Gordon Low Society recognizes and celebrates individuals who make a planned or deferred gift to Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada, assuring Girl Scouting will be available to future generations of girls.

Nevada, years to policy,

Society members translate their lifelong passion for Girl Scouts into a legacy that will build girls who make the world a better place for many years to come. A planned gift can include naming Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada as a beneficiary of a will, retirement plan, living trust, life insurance policy, remainder gift of real estate, and other gifts that benefit Girl Scouts in the future.

GSSN Juliette Gordon Low Society Members

Amber & Kyle Aiton

Erik and Eva Andersen Girl Scout Movement-wide Planned Giving Challenge

Dianne Belk and Lawrence Calder Girl Scout Movement-wide Planned Giving Challenge

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About the James Burl Belk, Jr. Girl Scouts Sierra Nevada Camp Challenge



In 2018, GSSN began a five-year \$250,000 planned giving challenge, the James Burl Belk, Jr. Girl Scouts Sierra Nevada Camp Challenge. Announced by longtime Girl Scout supporters Dianne Belk and Lawrence Calder, the funds raised through this challenge will establish camp and outdoor scholarship ("campership") opportunities for Girl Scouts in our council. To trigger the match, GSSN must secure \$250,000 in camp-designated planned gifts by 2023. Any participants who establish an irrevocable planned gift that is designated to the challenge will be denoted in our Annual Impact Report with a member.

To become a member of the GSSN Juliette Gordon Low Society or contribute to the James Burl Belk, Jr. Girl Scouts Sierra Nevada Camp Challenge, please contact us at (775) 322-0642 ext. 1232.



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