

Imagine.



Imagine.
your life without Scouting.

“My son joined the Cub Scouts as a Tiger and this experience has allowed us to spend more time together. He is growing up fast and I believe these memories of us together will last his lifetime.”

— Parent of a Cub Scout



“Scouting started out as a way to have fun and be part of nature but, now it's a way of life. I try to live by the Scout Oath and Law every day and want people to think of me as helpful, honest and loyal. To me that just sounds like a person I would want to hang out with.”

— 2015 Eagle Scout

“I really like being outside with my friends. We get to hike and camp, and we even went fishing last year, that was pretty awesome. And I won the Pinewood Derby one year...that was amazing!”

— Cub Scout

“I finished college last year and have my first career so I haven't really had the time to be too involved with Scouting recently but, I'm really looking forward to sharing the things that I remember with my own son.”

— 2006 Eagle Scout

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every youth learning.

THE MAGIC OF NATURE – Today the statistics are alarming... in a typical week, only 6 percent of children ages 9-13 play outside on their own and kids 8 to 18 spend an overwhelming 53 hours a week using entertainment media. Scouting's promise to every boy is to provide the excitement and adventure of outdoor activities. Whether it's a Cub Scout day hike, resident camp or a high adventure; our Scouts are getting outdoors, becoming physically fit, learning teamwork, self-confidence and self-reliance through the lessons of Scouting and nature.



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CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT – From 2003 to 2013 over 20,000 Michigan youth were detained in jail or imprisoned for a crime committed when they were younger than 18 years old. Starting in Cub Scouts, boys learn to practice the 12 core values of Scouting; citizenship, compassion, cooperation, courage, faith, health and fitness, honesty, perseverance, positive attitude, resourcefulness, respect and responsibility. Every Scout promises to do their best.



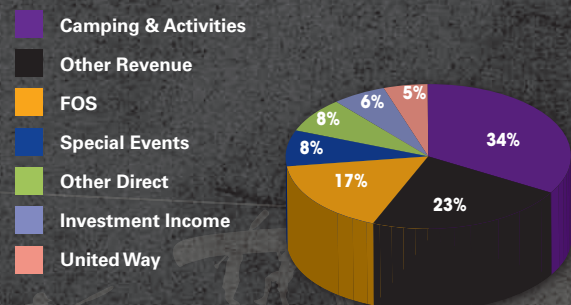
Imagine. every youth having the opportunity.

Last year, your investment in Scouting helped bring our program to youth in Michigan that may have never had the opportunity. From the non-traditional program for inner-city youth in Grand Rapids, to the Pack and Crew created to help students with moderate to severe cognitive impairments in Monroe, because of you, Scouting is now in their lives.

council investment in future leaders expenses



sources of income



Imagine. your community filled with Scouting.

SERVICETO OTHERS - Scouting was founded on doing a GoodTurn daily and service projects are a GoodTurn that puts Scout spirit into action. Scouts learn contributing to the common good and the importance of making a difference. Last year, Scouts and leaders spent 180,000 hours in their communities providing \$4,059,000 dollars in service.



Imagine. Changing a youth's life through the Scouting program.

Your pledge to Scouting helps provide:

- Every youth the opportunity to be a Scout, no matter their economic circumstances.
- First-class camping programs
- Support and training for volunteer leaders
- Recruitment materials for every unit
- Online resources
- Professional staff in every community

Imagine. every youth learning.

STEM (Science, technology, engineering, math) - Michigan's teens rank 17th in the world in science literacy. In math literacy they rank 25th. In the race to innovate, America appears to be standing still while countries around the world invest more in STEM education. Michigan Crossroads Council has just recently launched a sustained drive to promote STEM among our existing units as well as joining with other institutions and organizations across the state to help bring STEM content in every facet of Scouting. Dedicated professionals in every Field Service Council, with the guidance of a MCC director will help in our Michigan Scouting STEM race to innovate.



TO LEAD - In Michigan we are building the leaders of tomorrow. Through Scouting's programs and adventures, we inspire lives of leadership, character, and service. Your investment helps support our movement that instills intelligence and confidence in those who may find themselves without the knowledge or tools to successfully stride toward a promising future. As we pass the torch of the future, it is only right that we provide the skills not just to succeed but to excel.



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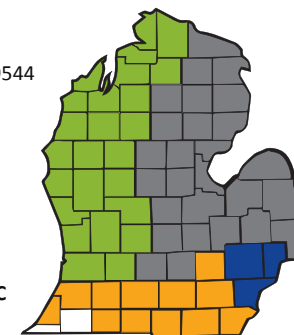
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