September 12, 2019

Dear Scouting Family and Donor,

We want to bring an urgent matter to your attention that affects many of our local youth and future leaders! The Boy Scouts of America, Alamo Area Council no longer receives funding from the United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County (UWSA).

If you planned to designate to the local Boy Scouts through a UWSA workplace campaign, we ask that you give to us directly instead. As the UWSA campaign kicks off, you will notice the Alamo Area Council is not listed in as an organization to receive designated monies.

We remain steadfast to our Mission, the Scout Oath, and Scout Law:

- **The Mission of the Boy Scouts of America** - is to **Prepare** young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the **Scout Oath** and **Law**.
- **Boy Scouts of America Oath** - On my honor I will **do my best** to do my duty to God and my country and to **obey** the Scout Law; to **help other people** at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.
- **Scout Law** - A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

We are also proud of youth living out our slogan, “Do A Good Turn Daily” – which means to do a special act of kindness, big or small, every day. One way this is evident was in 2018 when **355** youth achieved Scouting’s highest rank, the Eagle Scout, contributing over **52,000** service hours with a value equaling **$1.28 million** invested into our local community. In the unselfish spirit of doing a ‘Good Turn’, our Eagle Scouts and Scout youth happily support other local nonprofits, churches, parks, community agencies, and other public spaces.

Big or small, we invite you to consider doing a Good Turn for local Scouting!

If the BSA is or has been a valuable experience for you and your children, if it has bettered their lives and yours, if you think it is something worth keeping for future generations, then we ask for your support and action, with one of the following ways to give:

- **Online giving** –
  - Give now at [www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting](http://www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting)
  - Pledge to give later at [www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting](http://www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting)
- **Text LIVESCOUTING** to 41444
- **Call** 210-341-8611 Ext. 118 to Set up an Electronic Funds Transfer (ACH).
- **In Person** at 2226 NW Military Hwy, San Antonio, Texas 78213
- **Return the attached Pledge Form**

Then, please share this message with colleagues, friends and family to do the same to support our local Scouts. Together we can ensure that this 109-year-old program will continue in the San Antonio area and will remain available for our Scouts to enjoy.

P.S. Learn more by visiting [www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting](http://www.AlamoAreaBSA.org/LiveScouting) or by emailing us at LiveScouting@AlamoAreaBSA.org.

Your Amigos in Scouting,

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