

FAQ'S

Does the money stay in my District?

Response: For the most part, YES! The Greater St. Louis Area Council serves nearly 70,000 youth each year. In order to be sure all youth have access to the programming, your District receives all the support and service and program opportunities along with everyone else.

How much money does National get?

Response: Of your FOS donation, no money goes to National. All of the money we raise here stays in our Council.

Can I tell you where to direct my donation?

Response: We love hearing stories about what part of Scouting means the most to you! While you are certainly able to designate your gift, our Council leadership works with our volunteers and families each year to identify the areas of greatest need for the Council and we hope that you will make your donation to provide the best Scouting experience for all youth.

What is the true cost of Scouting?

Response: Most Packs and Troops collect dues and fund raise to deliver their own local programs. On top of this, it costs around \$204 per Scout for the Greater St. Louis Area Council to provide our quality programs to our Scouts.

Bankruptcy – is the Council stable?

Response: We know there has been a lot of press lately about the Boy Scouts of America. The Greater St. Louis Area Council manages our own finances separately from the national organization. We are proud to have a very stable budget and a solid endowment.

Sexual assault – What is the Council doing to protect our youth and make Scouting safe?

Response: Scouting IS safe. We know there has been a lot of press lately about the Boy Scouts. The majority of the cases you are hearing about are from years ago. Our current youth protection standards are some of the strongest in the country. We pride ourselves in making the safety of our youth our number one priority.