



Dear members and families of Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson, Inc.,

At Girl Scouts, our mission has been and always will be to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

On Saturday, October 19, over 800 delegates and alternates from across the country—including 12 from our very own council—convened virtually to discuss, debate, and decide on our path forward at the Special 57th National Council Session.

National Council Sessions represent the best of our dynamic democratic process—one that is for Girl Scouts, by Girl Scouts. I was both heartened and impressed by the level of enthusiasm and subject matter expertise that our delegates brought to the table, and the respect with which they shared their points of view.

The National Council engaged in robust and constructive debate regarding two proposals to increase annual dues for girl and adult members, and ultimately voted to raise girl membership dues to \$65, phased in at \$45 for Membership Year 2026 and \$65 for Membership Year 2027. Additionally, adult dues were raised to \$30, effective Membership Year 2026.


Our research tells us that now more than ever, the world needs happy, confident, and capable girls who will make an impact on their families, their communities, their country, and the world. Raising those competent and fulfilled girls in today’s world takes more than a village—it takes a Movement.

Girl Scouting is that Movement. We have what parents and caregivers want for their girls, and we have what girls need. These investments will help us serve our current girls and support our current volunteers and reach more girls and engage more volunteers.

We believe all girls should have the opportunity and option to be part of the Girl Scout Movement. I look forward to working with council staff, Board, and community members from across our seven-county footprint to ensure this opportunity remains available for all girls who wish to belong.

[Learn more about the Special 57th National Council Session.](#)

Yours in Girl Scouting,


Dr. Kari Rockwell
CEO, Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson, Inc.



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