# **How to Create a Bank Account - Step by Step**

This guide provides step-by-step instructions for troops, groups and service unit volunteers to create a new bank account for Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson.

## **Steps to Create a Bank Account**

#### **Step 1: Submit Bank Account Request Form**

- Complete the Bank Account Request Form.
- Email the form to membercare@girlscoutshh.org.

#### **Step 2: Receive Bank Letter**

- Member Care will review your request.
- Once approved, Member Care will send you a Bank Letter authorizing you to open an account.

#### Step 3: Visit the Bank

- Bring the following documents when visiting the bank:
  - o The **Bank Letter** provided by Member Care.
  - Valid photo ID(s) for all signers on the account.
  - o Any additional troop paperwork required by the bank.
- Open the account with your chosen financial institution.

#### **Step 4: Submit ACH Authorization Form**

- Once the account is open, complete the ACH Authorization Form.
- Submit the completed ACH form to membercare@girlscoutshh.org.

### **Checklist**

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#### **Notes**

- Allow **2–5 business days** for processing of forms and approvals.
- Ensure all signers are present at the bank if required.
- Keep copies of all submitted forms for your records.

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