

## HOW THE NUMBERS ADD UP

### CUB SCOUTING (boys first through fifth grades)

A year-round program designed to meet the needs of young boys and their families through fun and challenging activities designed to promote education, character and physical development.

Cub Scouts: 10,721 Packs: 263

### BOY SCOUTING (boys ages 11-17)

An outdoor program created to develop character, citizenship and fitness in young men.

Boy Scouts: 5,114 Troops: 208

### VENTURING/SEA SCOUTING (co-ed ages 14-20)

A program for young men and women designed to help young adults grow into responsible and caring adults through education and recreational experiences.

Venturers/Sea Scouts: 1,052 Crews/Ships: 94

### LEARNING FOR LIFE (co-ed ages 5-20)

A co-educational classroom-based program that offers character and career education through role models and grade-specific, action-oriented lesson plans.

Participants: 3,906 Groups: 8

### EXPLORING (co-ed ages 14-20)

A worksite-based program within Learning for Life's career education program, designed to provide experiences that help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

Explorers: 223 Posts: 18

### CAPITOL AREA COUNCIL

Total Membership: **21,016** Total Units: **591**

## HOW THE NUMBERS BREAK DOWN

86.02%  
Program

9.3%  
Fundraising

4.68%  
Management  
and General



**FUN. ADVENTURE. VALUES.**



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**SCOUTING:  
Believe It. Live It.**

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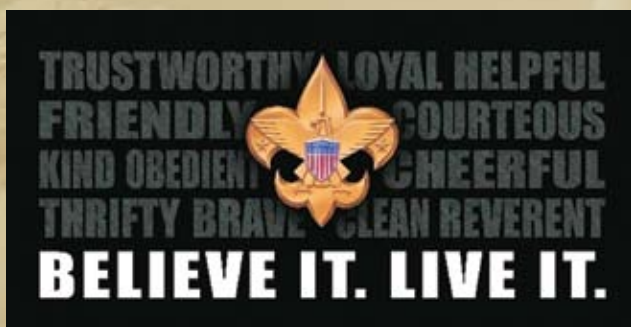
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In 2007, Scouts of the Capitol Area Council created a film called, "Believe It. Live It." It profiled people who not only share our beliefs in the values of the **Scout Law** – they live them in their daily lives. Scouting leads by example when it comes to these values that build stronger families, stronger communities and a stronger nation. Values like being:



**TRUSTWORTHY**

75% of youth who are or have been in Scouting say Scouting teaches them to always be honest, as well as building their leadership skills. (Source: Louis Harris and Associates)

**LOYAL**

Youth who are or have been Scouts value their country and family. Multiple Silver Star and Purple Heart recipient, Frank Denius, put it best in "Believe It. Live It.": "If we love freedom, if we love what we have in America... it means being loyal to your country because your country is what provides the freedom for you to do those things."

**HELPFUL**

Scouts across the Capitol Area Council's 15 county service area collected more than 83,000 pounds of food for needy Central Texas families, during the inaugural "Keep Texas Fed" Scouting for Food drive.



2007 CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK OF TEXAS KEEP TEXAS FED



**FRIENDLY**

Communities have no better friend than Scouting. Scouts lead their peers and deliver projects that benefit the community. Eagle Scout Tyler Lentz collected more than 3,500 books to start a children's library at the Round Rock Serving Center. In all, Scouts across the council donated more than 63,000 hours of Eagle Scout projects like Tyler's and many more.

**COURTEOUS**

Almost nine of ten Scouts think older adults should be treated with respect, and most say Scouting taught them to show adults respect. (Source: Louis Harris and Associates)

**KIND**

Scouting teaches its members to show kindness to all – including our planet. The Capitol Area Council, certified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is actively working to protect the endangered Houston Toad on its Lost Pines Boy Scout Camp and Griffith League Scout Ranch properties near Bastrop. Scouting has been "green" long before it became a marketing buzzword.

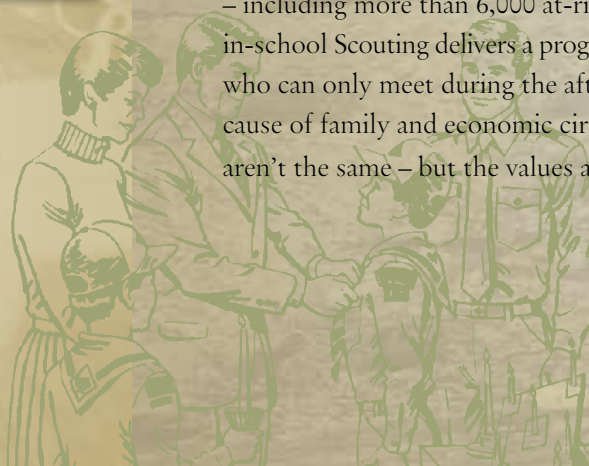


**OBEДИENT**

Keeping promises to others begins with keeping promises you make to yourself. Scouting helps young people set goals for themselves and stay true to those goals. More than 9,000 Scouts in the Capitol Area Council set a goal to advance in rank in 2007 and kept their promise – including nearly 300 who achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Boy Scouts earned nearly 10,000 merit badges in 2007.

**THRIFTY**

The Capitol Area Council maximizes its resources to help provide Scouting's benefits to as many families as possible – including more than 6,000 at-risk youth. The council's in-school Scouting delivers a program customized for children who can only meet during the afternoons at their school, because of family and economic circumstances. The uniforms aren't the same – but the values are.



**BRAVE**

The Capitol Area Council has been recognized annually for the heroic actions of its Scouts. This year, Eagle Scout Carl Petmecky (Troop 93, Holy Cross Lutheran Church) received the Boy Scouts of America's Honor Medal for rescuing a pilot from the burning wreckage of a helicopter.



**CLEAN**

The Capitol Area Council's Partnership for Youth Scouting program helps at-risk youth avoid the dangers of drugs and crime by giving Austin Police Officers the chance to serve as Scout leaders in the communities they serve. We'd rather young people get to know officers while they're wearing a Scout uniform – instead of a police uniform.



**REVERENT**

Scouting teaches its members about the importance of faith, no matter how they choose to worship. The Capitol Area Council has Scouting units sponsored by and involving young people of more than 200 religious organizations.

