

Long Beach Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

Opportunity Fund Application

A fund to assist Scouting Families in need with camp fees

A Request for Financial Assistance For:

Name of Applicant _____

Council _____

Unit _____ District _____

Date Submitted _____ Date Received _____

Applying for Financial Assistance To Attend:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Camp</u>	<u>Date/Session</u> (Fill In)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cub Scout Day Camp-Will J. Reid	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cub Scout Resident-Camp Helendale	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aquatics Camp - LBAC Sea Base	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Camp Tahquitz	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____	_____

“Every nation depends for its future upon the proper training and development of its youth. The American boy must have the best training and discipline our great democracy can provide if America is to maintain her ideals, her standards, and her influence in the world. Anything that is done to increase the effectiveness of the Boy Scouts of America will be a genuine contribution to the welfare of the nation.”

*Woodrow Wilson
June 15, 1916*

All youth registered with BSA are eligible to submit an application for financial aid.

Office Use Only:

Amount Approved: _____ By _____ Date _____

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OPPORTUNITY FUND GUIDELINES

Through grants and contributions, the Long Beach Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, is able to offer assistance to boys and adults so they may fully participate in the Scouting program. The Opportunity Fund provides financial assistance for camps and planned events which are appropriate to the BSA program and age level of the applicant. The Long Beach Press-Telegram annual Send-A-Kid-To-Camp" Campaign is the single largest donor to this campership program.

- **All information must be completed:** Incomplete form will not be considered.
- Funding is based on financial need and funds available
- The applicant and the unit is expected to participate in and/or support the council sponsored fund raising activities.
- Deadline for application for any camps is **June 15th**. Other applications can be accepted at any time.

To be considered for Opportunity Fund assistance, applicants are expected to do their best at home, in school, and in the community to be examples of the values found in the Scout Oath and Law. The following guidelines tell how an application can earn the chance to receive help from the Opportunity Fund. **All signatures are required for processing the application.**
Incomplete forms will be returned to the applicant or Unit Leader.

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The applicant does his best at home and school:
 (For applicants 18 and younger)

- **He is obedient and follows the rules of the house**
- **He does his home chores responsibly**
- **He cooperates with the members of his family**
- **His academic work shows real effort to do his best**

 Parent/Guardian(Print Name)

 Signature

 Date

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The applicant does his best to be a good community citizen:
 (Unit Leader please explain why this applicant should be considered)

 Unit Leader(Print Name)

 Signature

 Date

During the past year did your unit participate in the Council Popcorn Sale? Yes No

During the past year did the Scout participate in the Council Popcorn Sale? Yes No

Is your unit a Friends of Scouting Unit? Yes No

OPPORTUNITY FUND GUIDELINE

APPLICANT: (Please Print) Unit, Pack, Troop, Team, Crew # _____
 (Circle Type of Unit)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Scout lives primarily with: Father Mother Both

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

FAMILY INFORMATION: (for applicants 18 and younger)

Father' Name: _____ Home Phone# _____

Father's Employer: _____ Work Phone# _____

Mother's Name: _____ Home Phone# _____

Mother's Employer: _____ Work Phone# _____

Total Annual Family Income: \$ _____ (Gross)

Or TANF number _____

OTHER CHILDREN IN THE HOME: (List names and ages)

State special financial needs which make it impossible for the entire fee to be paid by app the

Please indicate below how much of the fee can be paid and how much financial aid is being requested:

Total Fee for Camp	\$ _____
Partial Fee to be paid by Applicant	\$ _____
Partial Fee to be paid by Family	\$ _____
Partial Fee to be paid by Unit	\$ _____
Amount Requested: (Not to exceed 50% of the total camp fee)	\$ _____

Regarding Camp Request:

- Long Beach Area Council rarely authorizes more than 50% of the camp activity fee
- Funds are available from Long Beach Area Council for any Long Beach Area Council Camp or program listed. Funds are not available for other camps unless sponsored by Long Beach Area Council
- Opportunity fund grants, once awarded, are not transferable to another applicant. If any applicant approved for funds does not attend camp or activity for which the funds were requested, then the Opportunity Fund grant is forfeited. Each recipient should complete a letter or note thanking opportunity fund donors. Mail to the Scout Service Center, Attention: Camperships.
- All completed and signed requests for Opportunity Fund grants must be submitted on this form and be in the Long Beach Area Council offices **no later than June 15th**. Forms can be faxed to the Long Beach Area Council Service Center at (562) 492-9437. Applications received in person, by fax, or by mail after **June 15th** will not be considered unless additional monies become available.
- Opportunity Fund grants for camps and other activities will be paid by approval prior to attending camp or activity.
- **Do not pay your camp fees and then request reimbursement at a later date. The request will be denied.** Contact the Long Beach Council office for additional information,

The applicant, parent/guardian, unit leader and camp director will receive written notification of the decision by mail, fax or email.

Mail, fax or deliver this completed Opportunity Fund Application to:

**Opportunity Fund Request
Long Beach Area Council, BSA
Post Office Box 7338
Long Beach, CA 90807**

Applications may be picked up from and/or sent to the service center.

Scout Service Center
401 E. 37th Street, Long Beach, CA 90807
Phone:(562) 427-0911 Fax: (562) 492-9437

I have completed this application in it's entirety and attest to it's truth and accuracy.

Print Name

Relationship to Applicant

Signature

Date