





## GSTOP Adult Achievement Award Categories

GSUSA AWARDS		
Award Name	Award Criteria	Endorsements Required
 <p>Volunteer of Excellence Award</p>	<p><b>Honors volunteers who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience through use of the National Program Portfolio or who have contributed outstanding service in support of the council's mission delivery to girl and adult members in one or more of the following functional areas: membership development, community cultivation, volunteer relations and support, program, leadership and governance, fund development, council support service (e.g. information technology, customer service, merchandising).</li> <li>* Actively recognize, understand, and practice the values of inclusive behavior.</li> </ul>	3
 <p>Appreciation Pin</p>	<p><b>Honors volunteers who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Have provided outstanding service, above and beyond the expectation for the position, to at least one geographic area within the council.</li> <li>* Have significantly contributed to meeting one or more council goals in membership growth and retention, fund development, or increased community visibility.</li> <li>* Actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior.</li> <li>* <b>Previous award required:</b> Volunteer of Excellence.</li> </ul>	3
 <p>Honor Pin</p>	<p><b>Honors adult members who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Have significantly contributed to meeting one or more council goals in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership growth and retention</li> <li>Fund development</li> <li>Increased community visibility in two or more geographic areas within the council</li> <li>Actively recognizes, understands, and practices the values of inclusive behavior.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Previous award required:</b> Appreciation Pin</p>	3
 <p>Thanks Badge</p>	<p><b>Honors adult members who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have provided service that is truly outstanding and that benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization.</li> <li>* Have provided service so significantly above and beyond that no other award would be appropriate.</li> <li>* Have taken a leadership role at the council level in one or more of the following areas during the previous four years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--- Increasing membership growth and retention;</li> <li>--- Increasing the percentage of adult-generated funding in the total council income;</li> <li>--- Increasing innovative program opportunities council-wide;</li> <li>--- Developing broad participation in policy-influencing through the democratic process;</li> <li>--- Ensuring inclusive behavior is recognized, understood, and practiced at all levels.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Previous Award required: Honor Pin</b></p>	3



## Thanks Badge II

Honors adult members:

\* Who have taken a leadership role in developing a model that has been replicated at the national level in one or more of the following areas during the previous three years:

----Membership

----Program

----Fund development

----Pluralism

----Marketing communication

----Strategic leadership

----Human resources

\* **Previous award required: Thanks Badge**

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## Community Partner Certificate

Honors individuals or organizations outside of Girl Scouting whose services performed greatly improved the operation and impact of a troop or troops (e.g. recruitment space, troop sponsorship, support for adult development, meeting space).