



The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) recognizes individuals, families and groups that have achieved the required number of hours of service over a 12-month time period, or, for the Lifetime Award, more than 4,000 cumulative service hours over a lifetime.

CRITERIA

Individuals, families and groups that meet the criteria are eligible for the PVSA.

- Recipient(s) must be a United States citizen or a lawfully admitted permanent resident of the United States.
- Awards are issued for service hours served within a 12-month time period or over the course of a lifetime.
- Awards are issued for volunteer service only; additional levels of participation with the organization (i.e., charitable support) are not a factor considered for the award.
- Court-ordered community service does not qualify for the award.
- Awards are issued by approved Certifying Organizations.
- Service must be with an approved Certifying Organization that is legally established in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or one of the U.S. territories.

ELIGIBILITY

Hours are measured over a 12-month period and awards are designated based on cumulative hours. The awards are offered in multiple levels and are designed to recognize each milestone of your service achievement. Levels include bronze, silver, gold and the highest honor, the President's Lifetime Achievement Award for those who contribute more than 4,000 hours of service in their lifetime.

HOURS BY AWARD	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
Kids (5-10)	26-49	50-74	75+
Teens (11-15)	50-74	75-99	100+
Young Adults (16-25)	100-174	175-249	250+
Adults (26 and older)	100-249	250-499	500+
Families and Groups*	200-499	500-999	1,000+
President's Lifetime Achievement Award			
Individuals who have completed 4,000 or more hours in their lifetime			
*Two or more people, with each member contributing at least 25 hours towards the total			

Along with the ultimate honor of presidential recognition, recipients will receive a personalized certificate, an official pin and a congratulatory letter from the president of the United States. To learn more about the PVSA, visit: <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov>.

RECORDING YOUR HOURS

All PVSA service hours must be verified by a Certifying Organization. Girl Scouts–Arizona Cactus-Pine Council is a certifying organization for the PVSA.

To designate GSACPC as your Certifying Organization and record your hours, visit the PVSA website and:

- register as a volunteer: <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/volunteer>;
- list GSACPC Record of Service (ROS) key in the designated field. (email reghelp@girlscoutsaz.org to receive ROS number)
- record your hours directly in the PVSA site.

GSACPC program year is October 1 to September 30. At the end of each program year, we will review hours submitted, verify that all volunteers and hours meet the eligibility criteria, and will order the appropriate Award.

All earned awards will be ordered beginning of October for previous program year, and will be delivered to neighborhood meetings as they arrive.

If you have questions about how to designate GSACPC as your Certifying Organization or the status of your Award, contact recognitions@girlscoutsaz.org.

Thank you for volunteering!