

# OUR PROGRAMS

## CUB SCOUTS

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES K-5, CUB SCOUTING IS THE FOUNDATION OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND PROMOTES FAMILY PARTICIPATION AS PARENTS PLAN AND DELIVER FUN, AGE APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES THAT FOCUS ON CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT, LEADERSHIP SKILLS, FITNESS, AND CITIZENSHIP.

## SCOUTS BSA

THIS IS THE TRADITIONAL SCOUTING EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN AGES 11-17. WHILE THERE IS GUIDANCE FROM EXPERIENCED LEADERS, SCOUTS TAKE THEIR OWN LEAD, EXPLORING NEW PLACES AS THEY DIVE INTO THE RUGGED WORLD OF OUTDOOR ADVENTURE.

## VENTURING

VENTURING IS A CO-ED PROGRAM FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGES 14-20. VENTURING'S MOTTO, "LEAD THE ADVENTURE", REMINDS VENTURERS TO ALWAYS PURSUE LIFE IN THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE. VENTURING ALLOWS OLDER YOUTH TO TAKE NEW LEADERSHIP ROLES AND CREATE THEIR OWN UNIQUE EXPERIENCES THROUGH SCOUTING.

## EXPLORING

EXPLORING IS A CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM FOR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN AGES 14-20. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN AND GETS HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITH A VARIETY OF CAREER FIELDS AND NETWORK WITH PROFESSIONALS ALREADY WORKING IN THOSE FIELDS.



### Council Staff

Scout Executive - Nathan Baie  
Senior District Executive - Katie Hand  
Office Manager - Sammie Shaw  
Camp Ranger - Michael Cole  
Scout Shop - Rachel Smith

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# 2020 Annual Report



# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA<sup>®</sup>

## SOUTH PLAINS COUNCIL

### Scouting in a Pandemic

"I give a lot of credit to our parent volunteers for their creativity and also to our youth membership for their resilience in embracing technology," Baie said. "Having to move a program founded on outdoor adventure to a virtual environment is challenging. Many members use Zoom and other digital platforms as a way to remain connected to their friends." *Plainview Herald, July 2020*

"Government and leadership in the state of Texas have made it possible for us to operate summer camp with precautions including social distancing," Baie said. "Camping is very important to our program, especially for young people who've been cooped up at home. Being able to get out and interact with friends is something we're all looking forward to." *Plainview Herald, 2020*

### Finances

**The South Plains Council operated with a positive balance by realizing a net excess in revenue over expenses. Donations from individuals remained steady through fundraising efforts despite a challenging economic environment. Family and community support through Friends of Scouting, popcorn sales, and special events remain strong.**



### COMMUNITY IMPACT

OUR SCOUTS LOGGED OVER 3,000 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AND DISTRIBUTED MORE THAN 40,000 DOOR HANGERS TO PROMOTE SCOUTING FOR FOOD "FUND" DRIVE FOR SOUTH PLAINS FOOD BANK.

### Membership

**The South Plains Council served 705 Cub Scouts, 387 Scouts BSA, and 0 Venturers & Explorers for a total of 1,095 youth in 48 units. We had 26 Scouts earn the rank of Eagle, and 54 Webelos earn the Arrow of Light.**

### Camp Usage

**In 2020, Camp Post hosted a week long summer camp season. 50 registered Scouts BSA from 7 units attended our Post summer camp.**

**Camp Post had 559 adults and 452 youth use Camp Post in 2020, including special events.**

**Camp Post had a better than expected Cub Scout turnout for our Cub Day and Webelos Woods events with over 200 parents and scouts attending each event!**

### MISSION

THE MISSION OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA IS TO PREPARE YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE ETHICAL AND MORAL CHOICES OVER THEIR LIFETIMES BY INSTILLING IN THEM THE VALUES OF THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW.

### SCOUT OATH

ON MY HONOR I WILL DO MY BEST TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD AND MY COUNTRY AND TO OBEY THE SCOUT LAW; TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES; TO KEEP MYSELF PHYSICALLY STRONG, MENTALLY AWAKE, AND MORALLY STRAIGHT.

### SCOUT LAW

A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY, LOYAL, HELPFUL, FRIENDLY, COURTEOUS, KIND, OBEDIENT, CHEERFUL, THRIFTY, BRAVE, CLEAN, AND REVERENT.

### OUTDOOR CODE

AS AN AMERICAN, I WILL DO MY BEST TO BE CLEAN IN MY OUTDOOR MANNERS, BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE, BE CONSIDERATE IN THE OUTDOORS, AND BE CONSERVATION MINDED.

