

THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD



THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (PVSA) IS THE PREMIER VOLUNTEER AWARDS PROGRAM, ENCOURAGING CITIZENS TO LIVE A LIFE OF SERVICE THROUGH PRESIDENTIAL GRATITUDE AND NATIONAL RECOGNITION.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE A LOOK AROUND, BE INSPIRED AND TAKE POSITIVE ACTION THAT CHANGES THE WORLD.



Presidential recognition sets you apart from your peers. It is a tremendous honor. Even though you may not seek recognition, your example can deliver a powerful message that encourages others to take action.

The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) recognizes United States citizens and lawfully admitted, permanent residents of the United States who have achieved the required number of hours of service over a 12-month time period (May 1-April 30).

Eligibility

Hours are measured over a 12-month period (May 1-April 30) 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.

DEADLINE: April 30

Criteria

Registered Girl Scout 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.
- Awards are issued for service hours served within a 12-month time period (May 1-April 30).
- Awards are issued for volunteer service only.
- Hours may not be reproduced for any other organization or award.
- Court-ordered community service does not qualify for the award.
- Awards are issued by GSSWT, an approved Certifying Organization.
- Submitted hours must be approved by GSSWT.



Hours by Level

	Bronze	Silver	Gold
			
Kids (ages 5-10)	26 – 49	50 – 74	75 +
Teens (ages 11-15)	50 – 74	75 – 99	100 +
Young Adults (ages 16-25)	100 – 174	175 – 249	250 +
Adults (ages 26 & older)	100 – 249	250 – 499	500+
Families and Groups*	200 – 499	500 – 999	1,000+
* <i>Two or more people, with each member contributing at least 25 hours toward the total</i>			



Lifetime Achievement

The willingness of our nation's citizens to serve others plays a large role in what makes this country so great. Since the inception of The President's Volunteer Service Award 10 years ago, individuals and organizations have been creating change for their neighbors and communities across the nation through service. Hear in [their own words](#) how their volunteer activities changed not only the lives of others, but theirs as well.

Please note that GSSWT will accept submission of any hours completed for a Girl Scout higher award project (Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award), higher award project hours may be included on the Presidential Volunteer Service Award Hour Log.