

# **Distinguished Service Award (Active Duty)**

Purpose: Honors an active-duty service member for exceptional leadership, service, and contributions to their community and Scouting.

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Active-duty member of any military branch.
- Exemplifies leadership and commitment to Scouting principles.
- Participates in or supports Scouting initiatives in their unit or community.
- Contributes to service projects benefiting youth, military families, or veterans.

#### **Nomination Process:**

- Submit nominations via peers, Scouting leaders, or unit commanders.
- Include details of the nominee's Scouting involvement and leadership contributions.

#### Veteran Achievement Award

**Purpose:** Recognizes a veteran for significant contributions to Scouting and their community postservice.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Veteran of any military branch.
- Actively supports Scouting programs or mentors Scouts.
- Demonstrates leadership and community service.
- Special consideration for work supporting transitioning veterans.

#### **Nomination Process:**

- Open to community members, Scout leaders, and veteran organizations.
- Include a summary of achievements in Scouting and community service.

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# **Military Spouse Support Award**

**Purpose:** Acknowledges a military spouse's invaluable contributions to Scouting and their support within the military community.

# **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Spouse of an active-duty service member, veteran, or reservist.
- Actively involved in Scouting as a leader, volunteer, or mentor.
- Demonstrates exceptional support for Scouts and military families

#### **Nomination Process:**

- Submit nominations via Scouts, leaders, or community members.
- Include details of the spouse's impact on Scouting and the military community.

## **Military Scout Excellence Award (Current Scout)**

**Purpose:** Recognizes a military child for balancing the challenges of military family life while excelling in Scouting.

#### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Dependent of an active-duty service member, veteran, or reservist.
- Active participant in a Scouting program.
- Exemplifies leadership, resilience, and the Scout Oath and Law.
- Contributes to their community through impactful service projects.

#### **Nomination Process:**

- Submit nominations via Scout leaders, teachers, or community members.
- Provide a description of accomplishments, leadership roles, and service project impacts.

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# **Mission Partner Award (Military Contractor Contribution)**

Purpose: Recognizes a military contractor or subcontractor for their contributions to Scouting and support of military families.

# **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Contractor/subcontractor with ties to military projects.
- Invests in Scouting through financial support, resources, or mentorship.
- Champions initiatives benefiting Scouts from military families

#### **Nomination Process:**

- Companies can self-nominate or be nominated by Scout leaders or community members.
- Provide documentation of contributions to Scouting programs.

# Distinguished Civilian Service Award (Department of Defense or Military Department Civilians)

**Purpose:** Recognizes civilian employees of the Department of Defense or military departments for outstanding leadership, service, and contributions to Scouting and military communities.

#### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Employed by the Department of Defense or a military department as a civilian.
- Demonstrates leadership and dedication to Scouting principles.
- Actively supports Scouting initiatives or service projects that benefit youth, military families, or veterans.
- Serves as a role model within their organization and the broader community.

### **Nomination Process:**

- Nominations may be submitted by peers, Scout leaders, or supervisors.
- Include detailed examples of the nominee's Scouting involvement, community impact, and leadership contributions.

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