

Please note that Girl Scouts of Orange County Offices are closed from December 21, 2018 through January 1, 2019 – reopening Tuesday, January 2, 2019. If you have an issue or concern, please submit it via our <a href="mailto:contact Us">Contact Us</a> page (or <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsoc.org">customercare@girlscoutsoc.org</a>). You will receive an automated response to let you know that we received your submission. We will respond to all inquiries after January 1, in the order they were received. You do not need to resubmit or send another email.

We encourage you to review these FAQ's below before submitting an inquiry.

## **Cookie Program**

Please see the <u>Cookie Program FAQs</u> for answers to commonly asked questions. Troop Cookie Coordinators, please see your Troop Plan Book (page 41) for contacts, and visit <u>gscookiesetc.org/cookies</u> for helpful information and links to resources and forms. Service Unit Cookie Managers know how to reach Product Sales staff if your matter is urgent.

Troop Cookie Coordinator training may be completed <u>online</u> or register for our <u>January 12th classroom</u> course.

NOTE: In order to be eligible for the <u>Troop Initial Order Bonus</u>, girls must be registered by January 8, 2019. If you use the online system to <u>register</u> or <u>renew</u> but cannot find your troop or are unable to complete the process, please email <u>customercare@girlscoutsoc.org</u>. We will honor the Initial Order Bonus for girls if a record of your request is received and all other qualifications are met.

## **Fund Development**

Our offices are closed in observance of the holidays, but you can still make a difference in the lives of Orange County girls! If you would like to make a year-end gift to support Girl Scouts Orange County, please go to our website link at: <a href="https://secure.agiv.com/for/gsoc/">https://secure.agiv.com/for/gsoc/</a>

You may also mail in a gift to our office located at 9500 Toledo Way, Irvine, CA 92618. We thank you for helping us build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

#### Membership / Registration

Need help logging in to any of the Girl Scout websites (MyGS Member Community, Doubleknot, GSOC Learning, SNAP, Volunteer Network, Nut-E)? Check out this helpful GSOC Log-In Guide!

#### How do I log into MyGS?

- 1. Log into MyGS.
- 2. Your username is the email address we have on your account
- 3. If you forgot your password, click on "forgot your password?"
- 4. Look for the email from 'Member Community' and follow the link to set up a password.
- 5. Still have questions? Email customercare@girlscoutsoc.org

How do I choose a Volunteer Role? - Returning Volunteers



Before choosing your Volunteer Role, please be sure you have renewed for the 2018-2019 membership year, which you can do from the membership tab on your MyGS account.

- 1. Log into MyGS.
- 2. After logging in, from the Membership tab, click the Add Role button.
- 3. Type your troop number in the search box, for example enter "12345" for Troop 12345. Then enter the corresponding zip code and 20 miles for the radius, and click the Search button.
- 4. In the search results area, select the check box next to the desired role for your troop or service unit, click the Next button.
- 5. If you have already renewed, you will be redirected to the Membership tab on your MyGS account.

#### How do I Choose a Volunteer Role? - New Volunteers

Don't see yourself listed on the Membership tab? Use Add a Member, from the membership tab on your MyGS account to add yourself as a volunteer for the 2018-2019 membership year.

- 1. Log into MyGS.
- From the Membership tab, scroll down to where it says "Add a New Member to Household." Select Adult from the dropdown and click Go.
- 3. Type your troop number in the search box, for example enter "12345" for Troop 12345. Then enter the corresponding zip code and 20 miles for the radius, and click the Search button.
- 4. In the search results area, select the check box next to the desired role for your troop or service unit, then click the Next button.
- 5. Proceed through the acceptance and summary pages and enter a credit card to be charged.
- 6. Complete our background check. Within 20 minutes, check your inbox for an email from our vendor Asurint. Use the link in the email to complete the background screening process.

### I'm having a problem registering for Girl Scouts.

Here are some suggestions to help you get through common issues:

- Make sure you are signing into the correct account. If you are trying to renew your membership or update your role, you should be logging in to MyGS.
- When entering your birthdate, use slashes (/) not dashes (-).
- The Home Phone field is required. If you do not have a home phone, enter your cell phone number in the Home Phone field.
- If you cannot find the troop or volunteer opportunity you are looking for, try:
  - Entering the troop number in a 5-digit format without the word Troop. For example, Troop 1234 would be 01234.
  - Adjust the search radius to 20.
  - Still can't find what you're looking for? The troop may not be listed in the catalog. Select "unsure" and provide the troop number. We will get back to you during the first week of January.
- Are you using a phone or tablet device? Try registering through your desktop or laptop.
- Try using Chrome or Firefox for your browser instead of Internet Explorer.
- If you have already selected a troop or volunteer opportunity in the Opportunity Catalog, you won't see it again in the catalog. The system will not let you select the same troop twice.

# Shop



- Where can I get my supplies while the shop is closed?
  You may continue to shop with us online at <a href="mailto:girlscoutshop.com">girlscoutshop.com</a> during our holiday closure.
- When can I pick up the things I ordered before the holiday?
   Due to the office/shop closure, these orders will be available once the facilities reopen on January 2, 2019.

## **Training**

# I'm having trouble registering for training.

Email at awilkes@girlscoutsoc.org during our holiday closure for assistance.

### **Troop Leaders**

# How do I add a girl to my troop?

There are two options:

- 1. If you need the girl or adult added immediately, you can use the Add a Member feature.
  - a. Log in to your MyGS account and click on your Troops tab.
  - b. Scroll down to where it says "Add a Member to Troop." Select either Adult or Girl from the dropdown and click go.
  - c. Search for the troop in the Opportunity Catalog by entering the troop number and zip code and adjusting the search radius to 20 miles.
  - d. Click the check box next to the appropriate troop or volunteer role and click Next.
  - e. Provide the Adult or Girl's contact information, birthdate, and address.
  - f. Proceed through the acceptance and summary pages and enter a credit card to be charged.
- 2. Let us know that you have openings in your troop.
  - a. Login to your MyGS account, select the Troops tab, click on the View/Edit Troop Information link at the bottom of the page. Update your desired troop size to a larger number than the current number of girls you have in your roster. We will add your troop to the Opportunity Catalog when our office reopens the week of January 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - b. Once your troop opening is added, a parent will be able to register their daughter to your troop through the Opportunity Catalog.
  - c. If the girl is not a registered Girl Scout, please have her parent <u>Join</u> from our website. Once your troop is full, your troop will no longer appear in the catalog.

# How do I transfer girls to or from my troop?

If a girl needs to be transferred to or from your troop, please send a request to <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsoc.org">customercare@girlscoutsoc.org</a> with 'Transfer' in the subject line and details about the girl to be transferred and the troop she needs to be transferred to.

#### How do I request to be in the Opportunity Catalog?

Log into your MyGS account and navigate to your troop's tab. Scroll down to where it says View/Edit Troop Information. Follow the link, submit your changes, and click Save.

How long before my troop will show up in the Opportunity Catalog?



You can expect your troop to be listed within one week. If your request was sent between December 22nd and January 2nd, your troop will be available in the catalog the week of January 2nd.

# I have questions about the Opportunity Catalog.

Check out the FAQ or contact your Placement Specialist.

## How do I see which troops are open without clicking on the Join button?

Submit your information to <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsoc.org">customercare@girlscoutsoc.org</a>, and we will connect you with your Placement Specialist.

## How do I view my Troop Roster?

- 1. Login to your MyGS account.
- 2. Click on the Troops tab.

NOTE: The roster will show you all girl and adult members. If someone is listed with a 2018 membership and says "Time to Renew for 2019," they still need to register for the current 2018-2019 membership year.