



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
NORTH FLORIDA COUNCIL

PROUDLY SERVING YOUTH IN DUVAL, CLAY, ST. JOHNS, PUTNAM, NASSAU, BAKER, BRADFORD, ALACHUA, MARION, COLUMBIA, SUWANNEE, HAMILTON, LEVY, GILCHRIST, DIXIE, LAFAYETTE, AND UNION COUNTIES IN NORTH FLORIDA.



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Annual Report

2023

Council's Purpose

The North Florida Council is the local chapter (founded in 1911) of the Boy Scouts of America and offers year-round programs created to develop character, citizenship, leadership, life skills, and fitness in youth. We proudly serve youth in the North Florida counties of Duval, Clay, St. Johns, Putnam, Nassau, Baker, Bradford, Alachua, Marion, Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Levy, Gilchrist, Dixie, LaFayette, and Union.

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.

THE 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.

THE SCOUT LAW

A Scout is: Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly,
Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave,
Clean, and
Reverent

Membership

The North Florida Council impacts 7,346 youth members and 2,363 adult leaders.

Programs

Cub Scouts: Kindergarten- fifth grade students. A family and neighborhood centered program with emphasis on social skills and family relationships.

Scouts BSA: Serves students 11-18 with high adventure, hiking, camping, canoeing, merit badge advancement and leadership opportunities.

Venturing: Young men and women ages 14-20 and offering positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

Exploring: Co-ed vocational program that gives young men and women 14-20 access to hands-on career education experiences and activities.

Volunteer Leaders

The Council Board of Directors elected each March gives leadership to 2,363 volunteer leaders.



2022 - A Year in Review

◆ **7,346** young men and women were registered in the programs of the North Florida Council on 12/31/22.

4,645 Cub Scouts
2,544 Scouts BSA
87 Venturers
70 Explorers



- ◆ The Robert E. & Monica Flynn Jacoby Scout Reach Division provided **372** youth from at-risk neighborhoods the opportunity to participate in our programs.
- ◆ **2,363** volunteer leaders taught youth to learn new skills, build their self-esteem and reinforce the values found in the Scout Oath and Law.
- ◆ **59,015** community service hours were conducted by youth, **36,226** through Eagle Scout projects alone, helping make our communities a better place.
- ◆ **214** young people attained the Eagle Scout Award - Scouting's highest rank.
- ◆ **5,071** rank advancements were earned, including 8,677 merit badges.
- ◆ **820** Scouts attended Camp Shands summer camp last year.
- ◆ North Florida Council provides fun and exciting year-round programs and activities for youth and families. Programs and attendance:



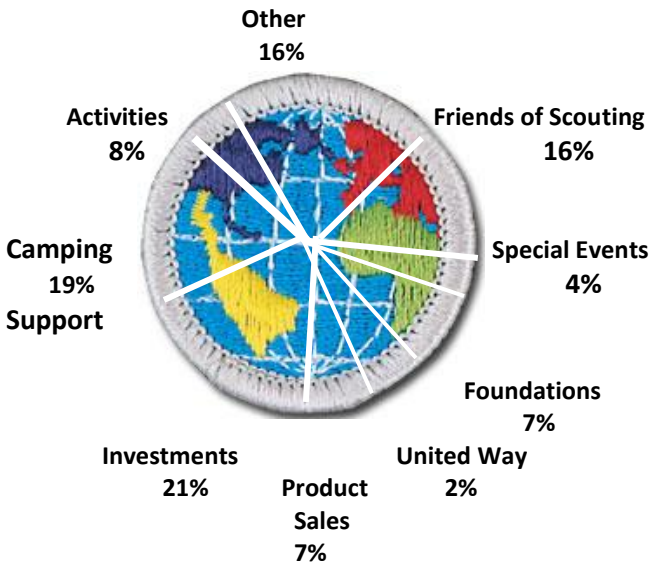
- Cub Family Overnight Camps: **928**
- Cub Adventure Days: **437**
- Merit Badge Fairs: **388**
- Venturing Super Weekends: **19**
- University of Scouting: **43**
- Winter Blast Camp: **427**



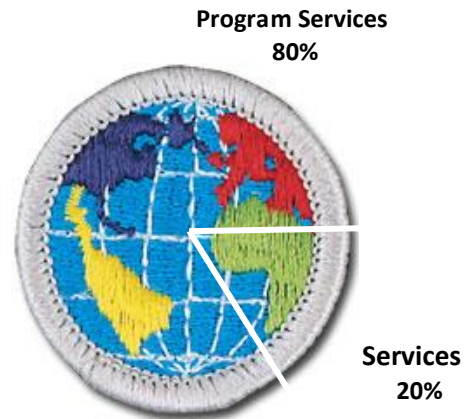
- ◆ North Florida Council operates and maintains two Camp properties for youth and Scout families to enjoy: St. Johns River Base at Echockotee in Orange Park and Baden Powell Scout Reservation/Camp Shands in Hawthorne.
- **10,944** Scouts and adults used these properties and facilities for summer camp, weekend activities, outings and training.

North Florida Council-2022

Operating Income: **\$3,919,258**



Expenses: **\$3,763,099**



2022 Executive Board

PresidentDavid Boree
CommissionerMarty Heesacker
TreasurerDavid Mann
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Youth Members

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