

# Adult Recognitions Overview

This is a summary of the most common awards given each year. For full details on each of these awards and more, plus the nomination forms, consult the *Leaders' and Service Units' Guide to Adult Recognitions 2012*, available in your Service Unit or on the GSEOK.org website.

## Earned Awards

These awards recognize a volunteer's achievement of specific milestones, such as serving five or more years as a volunteer, registering as a Girl Scout for five or more years and completing five or more hours of training. They may be requested by the recipient herself.

Award	Purpose	Presentation	Approval
Leadership Development	To recognize leaders who have completed Girl Scout related training.	Purchase in Girl Scout Store.	Director of Volunteer Services.
Membership Numerals (Year Pin)	To recognize registered membership in GSUSA (combined girl and adult years).	Annual Dinner for 20+ years; Service Unit for less than 20 years.	Council Representative.
Volunteer Years of Service Pin	To recognize an active volunteer for her/his service as a Girl Scout adult.	Annual Dinner for 20+ years; Service Unit for less than 20 years.	Director of Volunteer Services or Service Unit Manager.

## Awards Approved and Given by a Service Unit

Award	Purpose	Presentation	Approval
Outstanding Leader Award	To recognize outstanding troop/group leadership.	Locally with an appropriate activity.	Service Unit Recognitions Task Group.
Outstanding Volunteer Award	To recognize a volunteer's outstanding contribution to a Service Unit.	Locally with an appropriate activity.	Service Unit Recognitions Task Group.
Troop Leader Award	To recognize the fulfillment of the Troop Leader Agreement.	Locally with an appropriate activity.	Service Unit Manager.

## Awards Approved and Given by the Council

Award	Purpose	Presentation	Approval
Appreciation Pin	To recognize active adult members who provide outstanding service to at least one Service Unit.	Council Annual Dinner.	Council Recognitions Task Group. Nomination and 2 letters of endorsement.
Honor Pin	To recognize active adult members who provide outstanding service to two or more Service Units.	Council Annual Dinner.	Council Recognitions Task Group. Nomination and 3 letters of endorsement.
Outstanding Community Service to Girl Scouts Award	To recognize non-Girl Scout groups or individuals for service to the Council.	Council Annual Dinner.	Council Recognitions Task Group. Nomination and 2 letters of endorsement.
President's Award	To recognize the efforts of a Service Unit in moving its assigned area toward achievement of the Council's goals	Council Annual Dinner.	Completion of Form 211F with verification by Director of Volunteer Services.
Thanks Badge	To recognize truly outstanding individuals who significantly benefit the entire Council.	Council Annual Dinner.	Council Recognitions Task Group. Nomination and 4 letters of endorsement.
Thanks Badge II	To recognize a Thanks Badge recipient for continued outstanding service to the entire Council.	Council Annual Dinner.	Council Recognitions Task Group. Nomination and 4 letters of endorsement.

Please consider if you or your fellow volunteers would be appropriate for any of these awards.

Note: Effective June 1, 2012 the Social Responsibility in Girl Scouting I, II and III, Leadership Development Pin and Leaves, Volunteer Development Pin and Keys, Trainers Pin, Outstanding Volunteer Award and Outstanding Leader Award will be retired. There is a limited supply and not a guarantee we will be able to acquire more. Please submit the nominations without delay.