

## Application for Financial Assistance Council Activities

### What is Financial Assistance?

GSWPA is committed to helping all girls participate in Girl Scouting regardless of their family's income. To encourage participation, GSWPA provides financial assistance to girl members only for membership and for one council-sponsored program and one council-sponsored camp per membership year. For summer resident camp, a \$50 deposit is required to hold your spot. For family camping, the deposit is \$25 per person and for troop camping, the deposit is \$10 per person.

### How Is Finance Assistance Awarded?

Financial Assistance is awarded based on the income guidelines of the [National School Lunch Program](#). If your girl member qualifies for free meals through the National School Lunch Program, she may qualify for 80% of the council activity fee to be paid for by GSWPA. If she does not qualify for free meals through the National School Lunch Program, she may still qualify for 40% of the council activity fee. Awarding financial assistance is subject to the availability of funds within GSWPA's operating budget.

### How Do I Request Financial Assistance?

You can either mail/email this form or submit the [online version of the form](#). If you have not completed your girl membership registration for this membership year, complete the [paper membership form](#) or the [online](#) form.

To submit by mail:

Data & Reporting – Financial Assistance  
5681 Route 6N, Edinboro, PA 16412

To submit by email:

[customercare@gswpa.org](mailto:customercare@gswpa.org)

GENERAL INFORMATION				
Girl's Name: _____		Parent/Guardian's Name: _____		
Troop Number (if applicable): _____				
Address: _____				
	Street	City	State	ZIP Code
Home Phone: _____		Cell Phone: _____		Email: _____
HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION				
Number of Family Members in Household: _____ Total Household Income (Combine all Sources): \$ _____				
Select any special circumstances that affects your family:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Currently Unemployed <input type="checkbox"/> Family Illness <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Please Describe: _____				
COUNCIL ACTIVITY				
Complete the following information about the council activity your daughter will be attending:				
Name of Camp Session/Program: _____				
Total Cost of Camp Session/Program: \$ _____ Date of Camp Session/Program: _____				
Are you registering with a buddy? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, name of buddy: _____				
Is there any special information that we need to know (e.g., allergies, dietary restrictions)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please provide: _____				
Emergency Contact Name: _____ Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____				
SIGNATURE				
Please select the checkbox and sign and date this form:				
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Certification of Accurate Information:</u> I certify that all information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. False information is a basis for disqualification for current and future consideration.				
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Certification of No Money Owed to Council:</u> Financial Assistance will not be considered for any girls/family with delinquent monies due to the council. All outstanding monies owed to the council must be paid prior to distribution of the financial assistance awards.				
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Product Sales Participation:</u> I acknowledge that GSWPA encourages girls to participate in the Product Sales program to help fund their Girl Scout experience.				
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Certification of Girl Scout Bucks for Summer Camp:</u> GSWPA will first apply Girl Scout Bucks to the balance owed before calculating financial assistance. Girl Scout Bucks are doubled when used on summer camp sessions.				
Parent/Guardian Signature				Date