



MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

2024 OPPORTUNITY FUND CAMP GRANT PROCESS & WORKSHEET

Through generous grants and contributions, the Mount Baker Council, Boy Scouts of America, is able to offer assistance to registered youth and adults so they may fully participate in the Scouting program.



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Opportunity Fund Camp Grant Application Process & Worksheet

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To be eligible, the following guidelines must be met by the youth applicant:

- Registered within the Mount Baker Council prior to completing an application.
- Attending a Mount Baker Council-operated Summer Camp program (Cub Scout Day Camp, Cub Scout Overnight Camp, or Scouts BSA Summer Camp)
- Attending an official Council, District, Area or National Training Conference. i.e. NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training)
- Recommended by his/her Unit Leader (Committee Chair, Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, or Advisor) and Parent/Guardian. When a Unit Leader enters the information in to the Mount Baker Council website it is their responsibility to ensure all parties are in agreement with the information provided.

In keeping with the philosophy of “pay your own way”, each youth should pay a portion of the fee. Camp Grants are awarded based primarily on need. The more information about the Scout's particular need, the better. The Council also reserves the right to consider the unit's participation in Council administered product sales as demonstrating a concerted effort to raise these funds. The family and unit should also contribute to the cost of the camp experience. Camp Grants awarded will not exceed 50% of the event fee.

Opportunity Fund Camp Grant application is available online via the Mount Baker Council website. Scouts BSA youth and Cub Scouts attending a resident (overnight) camp must complete an Opportunity Fund Camp Grant request by **APRIL 15th** to allow time for review, allocation, and notification. Access the form at <https://247scouting.com/forms/606-CampGrant2024> after completing pages 3 and 4 of this worksheet.

Cub Scouts attending day camp have until **JUNE 1** to apply. If approved, the camp grant amount will be sent to the camp or to the National Conference when registration of the individual is confirmed. Fees will be credited as camp payment in the Scout's name within the Mount Baker Council summer camp registration system. The camp grant is to a specific individual and is not transferable to anyone else.

1. Apply online separately for each Scout needing assistance. All information requested on this WORKSHEET is needed when applying online.
2. Assistance will be considered based on need and the youth's unit's support of the mission of the Mount Baker Council including participation in the Friends of Scouting Campaign and Popcorn Sale.
3. **All requests must be submitted online by APRIL 15th for Webelos/Cub Scout OVERNIGHT CAMP and Scouts BSA Summer Camp applicants. Cub Scout DAY CAMP applicants have until JUNE 1st.** All Opportunity Fund Camp Grant applications submitted on time will be considered based on the financial need of the Scout in relation to the other applications received and available funds. Any Opportunity Fund applications received after their deadline will only be considered if there are funds remaining.
4. Your request will be reviewed by council personnel. Opportunity Fund awards and information will be kept confidential.
5. After review, notification will be made by the Council to the Opportunity Fund Camp Grant recipient's family and Unit Leadership.
6. Assistance funds will be credited to each Scout when they attend the event they applied for. Funds are only usable by the individual whom the assistance was granted.
7. Completeness of the information when applying online will help determine camp grant allocations.
8. Scouts are only eligible to receive one form of camp grant financial assistance.

Thrifty: A Scout works to pay their own way and help others. They save for the future. They protect and conserve natural resources. They carefully use time and property.

Questions? Please email susan.mccaughan@scouting.org or speak to your District Executive

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Part 1 - Applicant Information

Camp grant is requested for: (camp) _____ (type of camp) _____ Cost: \$ _____

Unit Type: _____ Unit #: _____ Council: **Mount Baker Council**

Youth Applicant's Name: _____ BSA Membership#: _____

Age _____ Grade _____ Rank _____ Male or Female (circle selection)

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Street

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

New to Scouting? (please circle): Yes / No If no, how many years has the applicant been involved? _____

The applicant participated in the fall popcorn sales this program year. (please circle): Yes/ No If YES, dollar amount sold: \$ _____

Number of persons in applicant's immediate household? _____

Family's annual income:

- Less than \$20,000
- \$20,001 - \$30,000
- \$30,001 - \$40,000
- \$40,001 - \$50,000
- \$50,001 - \$60,000
- \$60,001 - \$70,000
- \$70,001 - \$80,000
- \$80,001 - \$90,000
- \$100,000+

Is the applicant eligible for free or reduced lunches through their school program? Yes / No

Camp attending: _____ Please list fee →	
Scout Contribution	\$
Family Contribution	\$
Unit Contribution	\$
Charter or Local Private Contribution	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Amount of Camp Grant Request (no more than 50% of Event Fee)	\$

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Part 2 – Parent/Guardian Statement (Allocations will be given based on this section. Be descriptive and complete.)

Explain any special circumstances why this applicant needs financial assistance. (Employment, family situation, number of Scouts in the family, etc.)

Parent’s Name if applicant is youth: (please print) _____
Parent’s Signature: _____ Date: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

BEFORE BEGINNING THE OPPORTUNITY FUND CAMP GRANT FORM ONLINE, PLEASE GET A STATEMENT FROM YOUR UNIT LEADER.

Part 3 - Unit Leader Statement

What assistance has the unit provided the applicant? Please elaborate on Part 2 statement of need? Are there any further details you can add about the applicant’s need? **Camp Grant recommended by unit leader: Yes No (circle one)**

Unit Leadership Contact info:

Name: _____ Position: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

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Name of person completing online submission: _____ Date: _____
(Keep a copy for your records)