

2016 GSUSA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This scholarship is intended for Girl Scouts applying to our 2016 **Scuba & Sea Turtle Adventure** and/or **Costa Rica & Panama Service Challenge** destinations who demonstrate financial need and merit. Scholarship funds are from the Elliot Wildlife Values Project, a fund devoted to sponsoring Girl Scouts who demonstrate a commitment to the environment and wildlife conservation. The project is committed to fostering leadership development through hands on wildlife stewardship exploration to teenage Girl Scouts.

The applicants who are awarded this scholarship will receive \$500 from the Girl Scouts Of the USA. Only ten (10) girls will be awarded this scholarship.

Summary of Instructions:

In order to be considered for a scholarship, you must:

1. Complete this financial aid application in its entirety.
2. Submit a personal statement (details below) written by the student that addresses both scholarship considerations: merit and financial need.
3. Submit an unofficial high school transcript
4. Email (girlscouts@OutwardBoundCR.org) or fax (1-866-374-2483) your application.

Application Directions: Please fill out the form completely. You may be asked to provide tax or other supporting documents to ensure all information is correct. All information provided is confidential.

Student Information

Student Name: _____ Age as of June 1, 2015: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone (including country & area code) _____ Email (PRINT LEGIBLY)

School: _____ Current Cumulative GPA: ____

Scuba & Sea Turtle Adventure Session Date(s) Applied for:

#1 June 18 – July 2, 2016__ ** #2 July 2 – 16, 2016__ #3 July 16 – July 30, 2016__

Service Challenge Session Date(s) Applied for:

#1 June 18 – July 2, 2016__ ** #2 July 2 – 16, 2016__

**Preferred session dates for scholarship applicants. This means that with all things being equal, there is more likelihood that an applicant will be awarded a scholarship if applying for Session 1.

Parent/Guardian & Family Information

1st Legal Guardian Name: _____ Relationship: _____
 Address (if different from applicant's): _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Cell Phone: _____ Email Address: _____
 Employer: _____ Marital Status: _____

2nd Legal Guardian Name: _____ Relationship: _____
 Address (if different from applicant's): _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Cell Phone: _____ Email Address: _____
 Employer: _____ Marital Status: _____

Did/will your parents/guardians claim you on their tax return:

- A) last year? Yes___ No___
 B) this upcoming year? Yes___ No___

Children in your family:

Name of Child Aid	Age	School/College	Annual School Costs Paid by Person(s) Seeking Financial

Income and College Education

Are you eligible to participate in the free or reduced meals program at your school? Yes:___
 No:___

Annual Household Income before taxes: \$_____

How many individuals are supported by your household income?

Has anyone in your immediate family graduated from a four-year college or university?

Yes:___ No:___

If there is additional information that speaks to your financial need, please describe below:

Personal Statement

Include a personal statement that describes your personal goals for attending Scuba & Sea Turtle Adventure, why you want to come on a Outward Bound Costa Rica course and reasons for requesting aid. Explain any unusual expenses or financial/personal circumstances you feel should be known to the Financial Aid Committee. This should be written in English by the student.

Academic Transcript (Unofficial)

Please send an academic transcript from your most recent year of high school if applicable.

Signatures

I (we) declare that the information provided is true and complete. I (we) understand that any financial aid decision is confidential information privy only to members of my (our) financial support system and Outward Bound Costa Rica. No personal financial information or scholarship awards are to be discussed or shared by the student or organization with a third party.

Student's signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's signature (if a minor and/or dependent)

Date