



*Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.* Today, Girl Scouts strives to stay contemporary and relevant through leadership programs designed to build girls of Courage, Confidence, and Character who not only make the world a better place, but also learn to Discover, Connect, and Take Action. Did you know that we are the leading organization in Los Angeles County that is focused on meeting the changing needs of girls? Research conducted by the Girl Scout Research Institute and Louis Harris shows that 66 percent of women of professional achievement were Girl Scouts and that 82 percent of high-achieving Girl Scout alumnae believe that Girl Scouting influenced their success.

The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach is a non-profit, 501 (c)(3), organization that has been committed to helping girls in the Greater Long Beach area since 1962 and serves nearly 3,000 girls ages 5-17 throughout seventeen communities. The qualities girls develop in Girl Scouting - leadership, values, social conscience and conviction about their own self-worth serve them all their lives. Girl Scouts is open to all girls everywhere, and is a volunteer-led organization supported by over 1,800 dedicated adult volunteers and professional staff.



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The Girl Scout Council  
of Greater Long Beach

*Annual Report 2006*

*Take Action*

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## A Message from the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer

As we enter the 95<sup>th</sup> year of Girl Scouting, this annual report reflects yet another fabulous year that the Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach has had helping girls *discover* the wonderful world of being a Girl Scout. There were 2,694 girl members and 1,856 adult members who were able to *discover* the fun and friendship of Girl Scouting this year.

One example of how our GSCGLB girls have had the opportunity to *discover* is through our El Ranchito and Marine Landing day camps. El Ranchito had 1,093 girls attend in 2006, representing a 23% increase over 5 years ago. Marine Landing had 548 girls attend, which is an amazing 230% over 5 years ago.

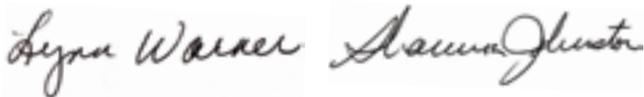
We were able to *connect* with more of our community through collaborative efforts including the City of Lynwood Parks and Recreation, Long Beach Women's Health Summit, American Heart Association, Long Beach City College, and California State University Long Beach. To help us *connect* internally, we initiated the Volunteer Leadership Task Force as a forum for volunteers to share information and exchange ideas. Another way we *connect* is through the council website, which has expanded to include e-newsletters, online forms, Program Opportunities and our master calendar, all at the click of a button.

We have also provided more ways for girls to *take action*, such as being more involved in planning and implementing programs, serving as official delegates to the council's annual meeting, and having their own section, Girls' Corner, on the website.

As many of you know, the Southern California council proposal for council realignment was accepted by GSUSA in August. We are working diligently with the other five councils to collaborate and *take action*, while always remembering that the girl is the integral component of Girl Scouting.

You will notice that the council leadership has changed since the last annual report. Lynn Warner, Board Chair, has spent 23 years working with Girl Scouts, and Shannon Johnston, Chief Executive Officer, has been associated with GSCGLB for 26 years. We are excited about the opportunity to *take action* to lead the council's future. Enjoy reading this annual report; it represents many hours of *discovering* the wonderful opportunities of being involved, the ability to *connect* with Girl Scouts everywhere and the leadership that will inspire us to *take action* in the next 95 years of Girl Scouting.

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Lynn Warner  
Chair of the Board

Shannon Johnston  
Chief Executive Officer



# Program Highlights

Did you know we offered 76 council sponsored Programs in 2006, in addition to 10 weeks of summer day camp at Marine Landing and 6 weeks at El Ranchito? Here are some of the highlights!



## Harry Potter and the Week of Water Wonders

Girls began this special summer camp week by being sorted into various “houses.” They then went on to a week filled with Harry Potter themed crafts, games of Quidditch, and learning the art of potions to earn points to try to win the House Cup.

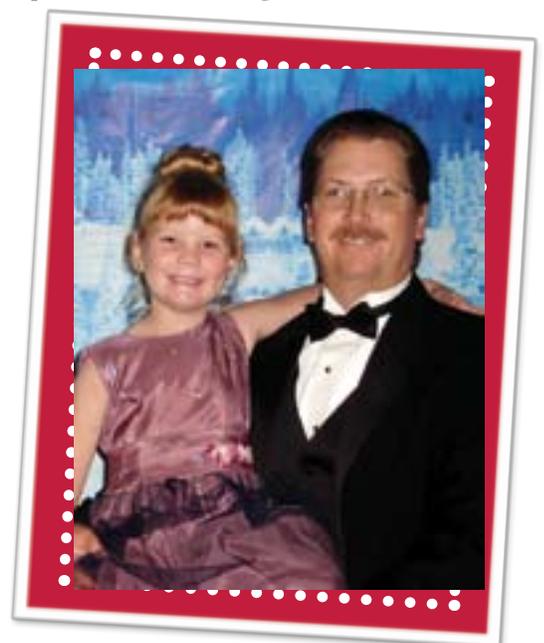


## Girl Power

Our council partnered with the organization WINTER, Women in Non-Traditional Employment Roles, for a fence building project. Our older girls and adult volunteers worked alongside the talented women from WINTER to rebuild the fence that borders the back of the El Ranchito property. Thanks to WINTER, we have a beautiful new fence and the girls had a day of hands-on experience while learning valuable skills.

## The King and I

Girls and their favorite guy in their lives had the opportunity to dress up and enjoy an evening of dining, dancing, and fun! Girls were treated like princesses and they danced the evening away with their princes.



I am a Girl Scout because I  
always wanted to be one!

~ *Chloe, Daisy Girl Scout*

## Take Charge

This one-day event was all about empowerment. Alumnae member Melinda Elmer led about 25 older girls through a session on self-defense, a member of the LA Sheriffs taught a session on Internet Safety, and staff from the city Health Department taught sessions on dating safety, harassment, and safe relationships.



.....  
I am a Girl Scout to make the world a better place. ~ Caitlin, Brownie Girl Scout  
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## It's a Girl Thing!

Girls had the opportunity to spend the weekend with the special woman in their lives up at our beautiful mountain top property, Skyland Ranch.

## Surf Camp

Girls had the opportunity to learn all the basics of surfing while enjoying four days of fun in the sun!

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I love going to new places, being with all of my friends, and just having fun.  
~ Kayleigh, Junior Girl Scout  
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# Meet Our Girls.....

## Janan S. “The Power of Sisterhood”

Janan has been a Girl Scout for eight years—since the 1<sup>st</sup> grade—and is currently a Cadette with Troop 451. Janan embodies all of the positive attributes of a Girl Scout through her commitment to the movement, her demonstrated leadership in her role as a Program Aid and her general love of Girl Scouts. When asked



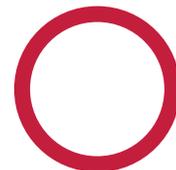
*Janan (left) and her Girl Scout sisters*

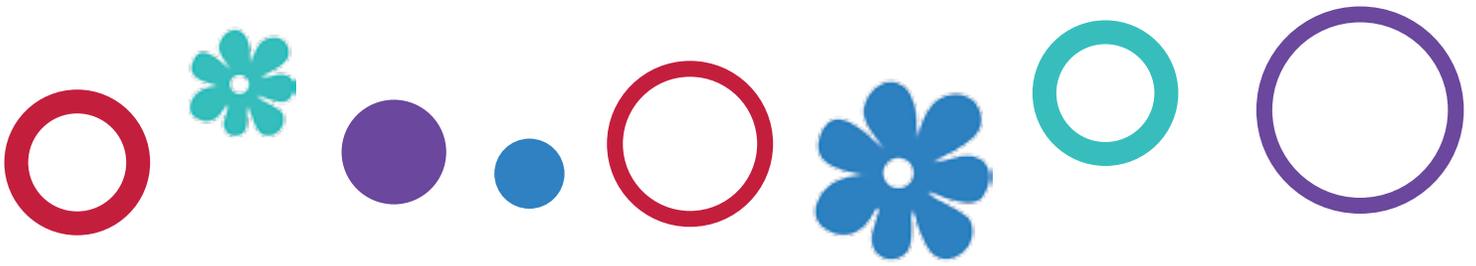
about what she has learned from Girl Scouts she replied, “How to be a good sales person. Seriously, you have no idea how many times during cookie season people will say to me ‘Will you come and help me sell Avon or Pampered Chef?’ I have also learned the amazing power of Sisterhood.” Janan treasures the friendships she has formed in Girl Scouts and appreciates all of the unconditional support she always receives from her Girl Scout sisters, even on those days when she is not at her best. She is not quite sure what her future career goals may be, however, she is confident that her experience in Girl Scouts will ensure she is ready and prepared for the journey ahead!



## Sasha M.

Sasha is currently a senior at Woodrow Wilson High School and a Senior Girl Scout with Troop 433. Through her experiences in Girl Scouts, Sasha has discovered the importance of diversity and living the Girl Scout Promise and Law each and every day. When asked about her favorite memory of Girl Scouts, Sasha didn’t hesitate a bit. “Earning my Gold Award was definitely the *best* memory of my Girl Scouting career!” Sasha is interested in pursuing a career in business and truly believes the public speaking, business, financial and leadership development skills she has learned through Girl Scouts has created a solid foundation for her chosen profession. Sasha has been a Girl Scout for eight years, and is a leader by example for our younger girls in how she models grace and compassion; Sasha is one who so many of our Daisy, Brownie, and Junior Girl Scouts look up to and admire. Sasha truly demonstrates “Making the World a Better Place” through her commitment, leadership, and general adoration of our younger girls. When asked for any last thoughts Sasha said, “Girl Scouts is *amazing!* It is a huge part of my life and I would like to thank Juliette Gordon Low for her vision and commitment in creating Girl Scouts.”





## Jessie K.

Jessie is currently in her 8<sup>th</sup> year of Girl Scouting and a member of Troop 126. She is one of our key Senior Program Aids for council events and summer camp. Jessie is the friendly and outgoing Program Aid that always makes sure all of the girls feel included and are having a great Girl Scout experience. Through serving as a Program Aid, Jessie has learned that effective communication skills and organization are the keys for a successful program. When asked about her future career goals, Jessie stated, “Although I am not quite sure what I want to do for a career, I have been introduced to a variety of choices through my Girl Scout Badge work, Interest Projects, and career fairs and have the confidence to know that anything is possible.” Jessie truly believes that our tag line—*Girl Scouts. Where Girls Grow Strong*—accurately defines the Girl Scout movement. “Without Girl Scouts, the girls in my troop would never have experienced the adventures and opportunities that Girl Scouts provides. It has introduced us all to so much.” Jessie would like to thank the adult volunteers and professional staff for their time and commitment to the older girls; they have served as such amazing role models for her and her Girl Scout sisters.



I am a Girl Scout because of the leadership development training and opportunities. I love all of the adventures we have had and having Girl Scout sisters who are truly my friends.

~ Patrice, Senior Girl Scout

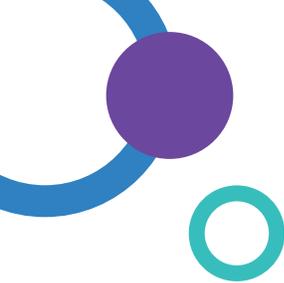


Gold Awardee Sasha M.



Jessie K.





# Gold & Silver

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## Girl Scout Gold Award

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award that Girl Scouts ages 14-18 may earn. Someone once described the Girl Scout Gold Award as being “what you really want to be remembered for” in Girl Scouting. For many, the leadership skills, organizational skills, and sense of community and commitment that come from “going for the Gold” set the foundation for a lifetime of active citizenship. It is something that a girl can be passionate about in thought, deed, and action. The project is something that fulfills a need within a girl’s community, whether local or global, and creates change, and, hopefully, is something that becomes ongoing. The project is more than a good service project; it encompasses organizational, leadership, and networking skills. The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach proudly recognized the following eighteen young women for their outstanding achievement in earning their Girl Scout Gold Award.

**Jenny Adams**, Troop 265  
Wilson Classical High School  
Project: *Blankets and Toys of Love*

**Mercedes Adams**, Troop 265  
Wilson Classical High School  
Project: *Blankets and Toys of Love*

**Kristen Anna**, Troop 154  
Lakewood High School  
Project: *Uniform Clothing Drive*

**Jamie Baumler**, Troop 465  
Lakewood High School  
Project: *Life Rolls on Foundation  
Event goody bags*

**Allison Desfor**, Juliette Girl Scout  
Polytechnic High School  
Project: *Caring For Kids*

**Laura Grodin**, Troop 465  
Polytechnic High School  
Project: *Dancing for the Arts*

**Kelsey Hutchison**, Troop 154  
Lakewood High School  
Project: *Uniform Clothing Drive*

**Brittney Koski**, Troop 146  
Sonora High School  
Project: *C.L.U.B. – Creative  
Learning & Understanding of Books*

**Sasha J. Malbrough**, Troop 683  
Wilson Classical High School  
Project: *Artists of Yesterday, Inspire  
Artists of Tomorrow*

**Lacey Noris**, Troop 266  
Wilson Classical High School  
Project: *Lydia House Children’s  
Room Re-Model*

**Heather Olsson**, Troop 465  
Polytechnic High School  
Project: *New Library for Villa  
Redondo Residents*

**Nisha Parikh**, Troop 116  
Whitney High School  
Project: *School Chest for Vietnam*

**Susan Rebellon**, Troop 465  
Polytechnic High School  
Project: *Pet Group at the  
Intercommunity Care Center*

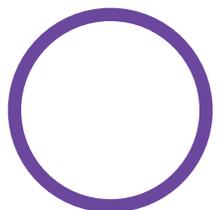
**Kelsey Risdon**, Troop 465  
Polytechnic High School  
Project: *Documentary Film  
Council Properties Are There to  
Use!*

**Padma Sampath**, Troop 116  
Whitney High School  
Project: *Roomy Possibilities*

**Samantha Snider**, Troop 154  
Lakewood High School  
Project: *Uniform Clothing Drive*

**Kathryn Turner**, Troop 146  
La Mirada High School  
Project: *Brunch Buddies*

**Lauren Williams**, Troop 683  
Narbonne High School  
Project: *Artists of Yesterday, Inspire  
Artists of Tomorrow*



## Girl Scout Silver Award

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest award in Girl Scouting that girls ages 11-14 can earn. It represents a girl's commitment to herself and to her community, as she focuses on leadership, career exploration, personal challenges and completing a project that will benefit her community. It takes many hours of preparation, planning, and work to accomplish the goals a girl has set for herself.

Brooke Anderson  
Summer Beaird  
Karana Bowen  
Kelsey Brown  
Amanda Calder  
Lauren Canas  
Sarah Cayer  
Margaret Chiu  
Tori Corona  
Leigh Cranton  
Kiara Cummings  
Aleana Dall'Acqua  
Shanté Doyle

Sarah DuCharme  
Kori Grylls  
Kristena Jean Hall  
Mary Hanson  
Lauren Hasty  
Teresa Jdrzejewicz  
Jessica Klemme  
Lindsay Lalonde  
Ashley Lamb  
Megan Loehnert  
Melissa Maestro  
Amy Marchisotto  
Erin McLaughlin

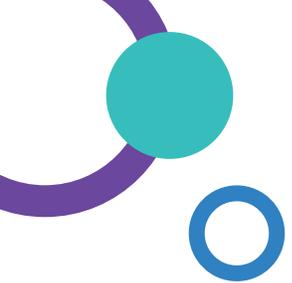
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Rossini Quiloan  
Molly Sanchez  
Jessica Skala  
Ericka Tate  
Kristi Topete  
Rose Uy  
Amberrose Valcho  
Jessica Watts  
Jordan Wilkins  
Chanise Williams  
Phoebe Wilson  
Mackenzie Woolvett



*Gold Awardees Kelsey Risdon, Heather Olsson  
and Jamie Baumler*



*Vickie Dynice and Gold Awardees Lacey Norris,  
Mercedes Adams and Jenny Adams*



# Product Sales

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The Girl Scout Cookie program is the leading entrepreneurial program for girls. Did you know that many successful business women today say they got their start selling Girl Scout Cookies? The Girl Scout Cookie program introduces girls to sales, marketing, and financial management as they acquire useful life skills like planning, goal-setting, decision-making, and customer service. We would like to congratulate the following girls for selling a minimum of 500 boxes of cookies during the 2006 Cookie Sale season, earning them membership in the coveted 500 Club.

Brittney Adams	Devan Cotton	Allyson Hamilton	Melody Savell
Sabrina Adjiri	Danielle Cuen	Amelia Haynes	Madison Seaman
Briana Aguirre	Kiara Cummings	Aaliyah Heckard	Lindsey Searight
Natalie Alsip	Samantha Curl	Dominique Horner	Simone Simmons
Kristen Anna	Lauren Cuthbertson	Angela Hunter	Kayle Simon
Riley Arnold	Alexis Dairy	Kelsey Hutchison	Madisonn Stanton
Rachel Barajas	Jade Davis	Danielle Jackson	Sheridan Stein
Jada Barnes	Domonique Davis	Alex Jones	Allisen Steward
Melanie Barnett	Ashley DeLaine	Nicole Knapp	Caitlin Stutzke
Erica Barrios	Carmen Denny	Liane Law	Carly Swank
Regina Barry	Tiffany Denson	Starr Mejia	Marissa Tello
Rachael Baxter	Sarah Devlahovich	Nicole Mejia	Shannon Troutman
C'Nasia Bey	Monique Diaz	Jillian Migliorini	April Trusler
Dre Jean Bey	Julia Dillman	Caitlin Minishin	Katy Uchiyama
Hannah Birkner	Margaret Dines	Jillian Morabito	Irie Valdez
Kate Bishop	Shante Doyle	Maya Myles	Taylor Vincent
Quinn Blake	Shariah Dunn	Somer Nabulsi	Tawa Volden
Karana Bowen	Krista Engle	Jeniece Neville	Tenayah Volden
Atiyyah Bradford	Maria Eubanks	Nijah Oliver	Zoe Watson
Samantha Braunwalder	Jessica Farmer	Nicole Osako	Abigail White
Sara Busch	Julia Feldman	Hana Oshita	Emerald Whitfield
Raine Calhoun	Arielle Fernandez	Tomiye Oshita	Chanise Williams
Airica Carmon	Bridget Fortune	Alex Pile	Crystal Williams
Bryanne Carter	Megan Fountain	Moriah Pleasant	Lauren Williams
Madeline Chavira	Sierra Gadsby	Michaela Reed	Kelly Williams
Carissa Cherpes	Tiffany Gilmore	Kimberley Riede	Jamila Wilson
Ashanti Coffee	Carly Glass	Alison Robinett	Ayanna Wilson
Charis Conard	Lorissa Gonzalez	Marisol Rodriguez	Jessica Wright
Alison Conboy	Madelyn Grimes	Samantha Runa	Destiny Ziemann
	Megan Guzman	Margarita Salazar	Amie Zimmerman



## Operation Appreciation

The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach introduced Operation Appreciation during the 2006 Spring Cookie Sale. This program allowed for the girls to take donations of boxes of cookies to pass on to the California Army National Guard.

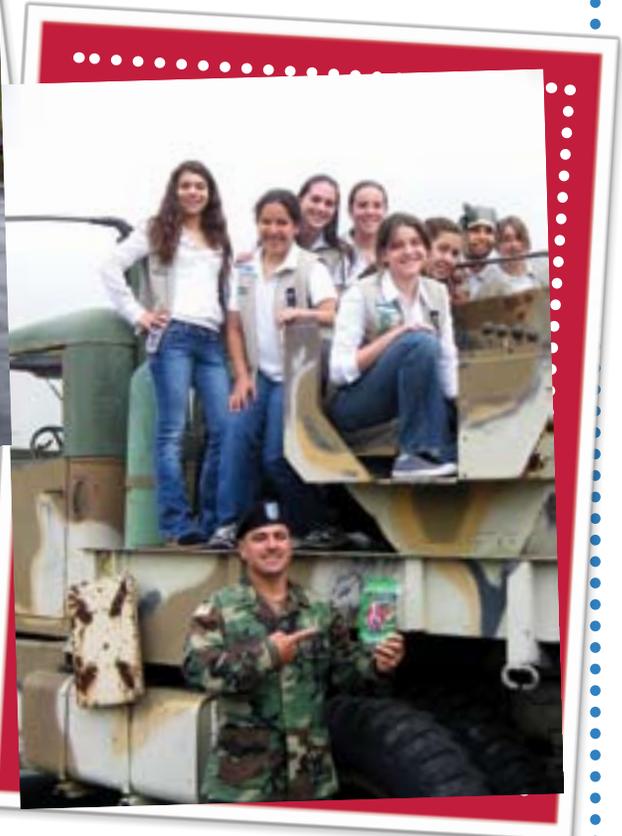
These donations are being given to Army National Guard troops being deployed from the facility on Redondo Blvd., in Long Beach, and some are being sent to Van Nuys, CA, to become part of a larger appeal called Operation Gratitude.

The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach donated 1,380 boxes of cookies in 2006! The top two donating troops, Troop #451 lead by Jim and Rochelle Anderson and Margaret Tollner, and Troop #363 lead by Kim Schneider and Amy Trusler, were asked to help deliver these cookies.



I love meeting new people,  
selling cookies and having  
the opportunity to help  
people instead of just  
focusing on myself!

~ Shante, Senior Girl Scout



I love that we always learn new things.

~ Melissa, Junior Girl Scout



# Meet Our Adults

## The Adventures of the Risdon Family

Marcia Risdon is one of our councils' Master Trainers and the former Troop Leader for her daughter Kelsey's troop. Marcia first became involved as a volunteer with Girl Scouts when Kelsey's kindergarten classroom distributed information regarding a newly created Daisy troop at her school. Marcia had fond memories of her own mother serving as her Troop Leader and decided to volunteer to serve as the leader of Kelsey's

troop. When asked about the impact Girl Scouts has had on them, and specifically their relationship, Marcia replied, "Sharing ourselves with our troop helped us to understand and communicate with each other really well. We are not only mother and daughter, but good friends. Girl Scouts has also enlarged our family; I think of each of the girls in our troop as my extended daughters and Kelsey considers them all her sisters for life."

Their troop graduated in June 2006 with all five of the graduating seniors earning their Gold Award. During that summer, Marcia attended the GSUSA-sponsored training workshops in New York and returned home filled with excitement and new information regarding volunteer and leader training. She implemented what she had learned by leading our volunteer team of trainers through the daunting task of developing new training modules utilizing the new information and materials. She truly exemplified the Discover, Connect, and Take Action leadership model! Marcia continues to stay connected to our council through her role as one of our Master Trainers and as a key volunteer.

Kelsey is currently a freshman film production student at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Girl Scouts was instrumental in helping Kelsey determine her field of study and long-term career plans. Kelsey's interest in film production was first peaked while she attended one of the council's summer programs, which focused on film production. Kelsey then went on to attend a Girl Scout *destination*, where she had the opportunity to work on actual film sets, affirming her passion for film production. For her Gold Award project, Kelsey created a short film highlighting the three council properties, El Ranchito, Marine Landing, and Skyland Ranch. This film is now shown during council trainings and is available for individual troop usage.

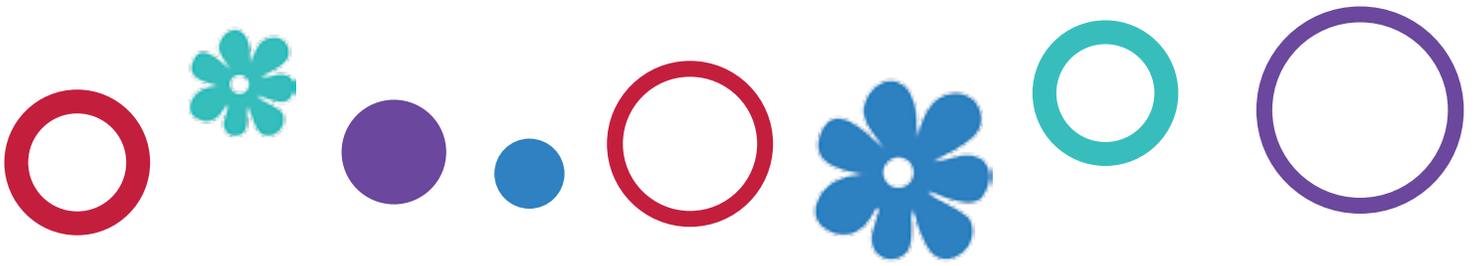


*Tom, Kelsey and Marcia*



*Marcia and Kelsey, 1996*

It is a joy and an honor to work with and teach girls good values, tools for living, and to open their minds and hearts. Besides, it is a lot of fun! ~ Kim, Troop Leader



### Rita Rivera, Volunteer Extraordinaire

Rita Rivera has served as a Girl Scout Troop Leader for 21 years! When her step-daughter's troop re-located and they needed a new leader, Rita stepped right up and volunteered to be their Troop Leader. She then went on to serve as the Troop Leader for each of her four daughters. Rita grew up right here in our very own council and has fond memories of camping up at Skyland Ranch, the great activities planned by her Troop Leader, Barbara Bures, and the accomplishment she felt each time she earned another badge!

When asked what she loves about the Girl Scout movement, Rita stated, "I love helping girls realize they can be anything they want to be. Girl Scouts has had such a positive impact on not only my own daughters, but each of the girls in my troops. Girl Scouts gives girls a sense of camaraderie, a healthy self-esteem and helps them to be prepared for the many life challenges they will face."

Rita is one of our many volunteers that always says "Yes!" whenever asked. She is always willing to lend a helping hand, and models the Girl Scout way for the girls in her troop with grace and diplomacy. Rita mentioned that the benefits of serving as an adult volunteer with Girl Scouts have helped her on many occasions. "I have really improved my leadership and public speaking skills through volunteering with Girl Scouts and, believe it or not, the training I have received has genuinely served me well in both my professional career and in the other volunteer organizations I am involved with." With her youngest daughter in her freshman year of High School and a two year old granddaughter, thankfully Rita's involvement with Girl Scouts is far from over!



I enjoy working with the girls in such a positive, character building environment. I am so proud to be associated with the Girl Scouts!

~ Dana, Troop Co-Leader

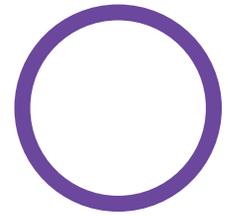


Sara, Rita and Veronica



Rita Rivera





I enjoy teaching new things to girls and watching them experience things for the first time. I want to help build strong young women who help make the future bright.  
~ Rochelle, Troop Leader



### Mary Kopczak

Mary Kopczak, the calm and unruffled heart and soul of our council, has been employed with us for over 28 remarkable years! She is our Office Manager, Board Liaison, and in-house historian! Mary has seen it all!

Some of Mary's fondest memories include the rebuilding of the El Ranchito Troop house in 1967, the dedication of Marine Landing in 1967, the council presenting its first Gold Award in 1981, the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Greater Long Beach Girl Scout Council held in 1992, the renaming of our council to the Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach in 2000, and when our council hosted the National Girl Scout convention in 2002.

In the course of Mary's tenure, she has worked for six Executive Directors—one of them twice—two interim E.D., and 14 Presidents. In fact, Mary and her husband, John, recently attended the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for the second Executive Director she worked for, Julia Q. Weiman!

Although Mary was not involved with Girl Scouts as a girl, she has had plenty of experiences as an Adult Girl Scout. When asked to reflect on her years with the Girl Scouts, Mary reminisced, "I feel that I have had an interesting and rewarding ride—I cannot count the number of wonderful volunteers and staff that I have met over the years. Girl Scouts has had such a positive influence on my life and means so very much to me. The growth cycle of girls who *Grow Strong* into mature young women, and express that maturity as professionals, as parents, and as volunteers is so rewarding to watch. The dedication of volunteers and their seemingly endless efforts to serve girls and the council are truly inspirational." Thank you Mary for your dedication to the Girl Scout movement and serving as a support and role model to so many!



Mary



I am a Girl Scout because I enjoy it. It teaches me responsibility, a good sense of right and wrong and proper treatment of others. But most of all, I am a Girl Scout because it is fun and a great way to make life-long friends! ~ Julie, Senior Girl Scout





# Generations.....

## Almost Four Generations of Girl Scouts

Kathi Day, one of our long-time key volunteers, is a member of a family whose blood truly runs green!

Kathi's mother, Maxine Hagger, became involved with Girl Scouts in the early 1950's. Maxine was working as a school cook and was asked to serve as a Troop Leader with a group of girls who attended the school. Maxine also served as a cook at Camp Osito Rancho and Emerald Bay on Catalina Island before becoming a Troop Leader for Kathi and her sister. Kathi

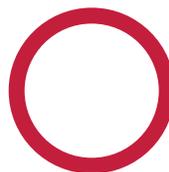
followed her mother into Girl Scouts when she became a Brownie Girl Scout in 1952. Kathi stayed with Girl Scouts throughout her school career, bridging all the way through Senior Mariners. Kathi also earned her First Class and Curved Bar award, which is now called the Gold Award. After high school, Kathi continued with the Girl Scout movement, serving as a summer camp counselor and aquatic director. Later, after getting married, Kathi led a Cadette troop for several years. Once the time came for her daughters to join Girl Scouts, Kathi became a leader of not one, but

*two* troops! Troop #1, which her daughter, Allison, was a member of, still exists today. Kathi is proud to say that Allison and five of her Girl Scout sisters earned their Gold Award during their senior year. Kathi has also served on our Board of Directors and is currently Co-Service Unit Manager with her good friend, Sheila Roth, and serves as the Council Gold Award Chair, mentoring girls who are in the process of earning their own Gold Award. A couple more years and Kathi's granddaughter will be following the footsteps of the women before her when she joins Girl Scouts.

When asked about her favorite Girl Scout memory, Kathi responded, "While I was attending the Girl Scout Round-up in Vermont, where over 1,000 girls were in attendance, Maria Von Trapp—from the Sound of Music story—lead the singing in a huge, outdoor amphitheater. During the event, we were asked to make a commitment to the future and I decided right then and there to find a way to repay Girl Scouts for all of the great opportunities and memories that the movement had provided me." Kathi and her entire family have truly demonstrated how to Discover, Connect, and Take Action through their continued volunteering time and their commitment to the Girl Scout movement. The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach extends our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to these wonderful women!



*Kathi, Maxine and Allison*



## Girl Scouts Crosses the Atlantic

Heather Scott is one of our honored Troop Leaders. She has chosen to follow in her mother's footsteps by serving as the Troop Leader for Brownie Troop #49 and Junior Troop #502. Heather's mother, Emma Stewart, was involved with Girls' Brigade while living in Northern Ireland prior to serving as Heather's

Brownie and Junior Troop Leader. Heather earned her Gold Award from our council in 1986. Prior to leading her daughters' troops, Heather and her mom lead Brownie Troop #144 for six years. Emma is still active with Girl Scouts, as the "official" seamstress for both of her granddaughters' troops, sewing all the badges and try-its on all of the girls' vests. Heather's daughter, Courtney, is a member of Troop #502 and her other daughter, Ashley, is a member of Troop #49, which will ensure a wonderful succession plan for the Scott family!



*Heather, Courtney, Ashley and Emma*

## Mariners

For over 50 years the women of Mariners Troop MSS Lightning have continued to stay in touch. They get together on a regular basis and, in the spring of 2006, honored their Troop Leader, Marion Nerrie, on her 90th birthday by purchasing a bench that was placed at our Marine Landing site.



*Mariners Troop, c. 1942*



*Mariners Troop, 2006*

I volunteer with Girl Scout because I think it is an awesome organization. Through Girl Scouts, my daughter has learned leadership, organization, and social skills she will use throughout her life. ~ Ramona, Volunteer and Parent

## Fifty Wonderful Years and Counting with Girl Scouts!

Joanna “Jodie” Williams joined the Girl Scout movement when she became a Brownie Girl Scout at age 7. Jodie’s mom, Joyce Dart, volunteered as her Troop Leader through the various Girl Scout levels. Jodie has only fond memories of her years as a Girl Scout, especially her high school years. She fondly remembers the wonderful activities and opportunities that so enriched her life. “I loved the waterfront activities and the great time I had participating in the annual nautical GAM games. I learned all about tying knots, sailing, canoeing, and water safety.” Following graduation, Jodie worked as a Camp Counselor with her good friend Kathi Day. Following her wedding and starting a family of her own, Jodie volunteered as her daughter Maggie’s Troop Leader.

When asked about the benefits of Girl Scouts, she replied, “Girl Scouts is such an exceptional, wonderful program for girls; it gives them such self-confidence and teaches them they can do anything they put their mind to. Girl Scouts open their minds and hearts, and it is just a great big window of limitless opportunities.” Jodie’s daughter, Maggie, a Gold Award recipient, shares her mother’s love of the water; she enjoyed many summers at our own Marine Landing, both as a camper and as a Program Aid. Maggie’s interest and love in all things nautical carried on to her choice of college and career. She attended The California Maritime Academy and is currently working in the maritime insurance business. Jodie’s involvement with the council continues today; she has served as the President of our Board of Directors (1994-1998) and chair on our nominating committee, as well as numerous other volunteer positions as a way, she states, “of giving back to the organization that has given so much to me and my family.” Thank you, Jodie, for all you have given to the Girl Scout movement.



I grew up in Girl Scouts  
and had the best  
experiences of my life.  
Now, I want to share my  
love for Girl Scouts with  
the girls in my troop.  
~ Margaret, Troop Leader  
and Proud Alumnae



*Joyce, Maggie and Jodie*

# **Adult Awards**

Research has shown that the impact of one caring adult on a young person's life will last a lifetime. For more than 40 years, women and men from our 17 communities have been instrumental in providing the leadership, commitment, and opportunities for our girls to Discover, Connect, and Take Action. Each year we recognize a few of our most outstanding adult volunteers at the annual Adult Recognition Celebration. Listed below are the volunteers who were honored with our most prestigious awards.

## **Outstanding Leaders** *outstanding leadership to a Service Unit*

Audrey Smith, Kris Carter, Kim Schneider, Marcia Risdon, Rita Adams

## **Outstanding Volunteers** *superior delivery of service in a non-Troop Leader role*

Alishia Moody, Basha Pasat, Dawn Smith, Debbie Fanning, Evelyn Abernathy, Jeannie Kaho, Joy Vinson-Roy, Karol Birkner, Kathy Robinett, Ken Van Leeuwen, Kymberli Gayles, Letecia Halsey, Martin Robles, Michelle Lee, Mylene Muldrew

## **Appreciation Pin** *volunteer service exceeding expectations for the position held*

Debbie Fountain, Martin and Mary Ellen Salazar, Rochelle Anderson, Valerie Bradford

## **Honor Pin** *exceptional volunteer service for the position held*

Lesley Farmer

## **Thanks Badge** *outstanding efforts significantly above and beyond the call of duty*

Kellie Green

## **Thanks Badge II** *outstanding efforts significantly above and beyond the call of duty*

Willie Watts-Troutman

## **Community Award** *significant support by a business or organization*

The Salvation Army Compton Corps

## **Participation in Girl Scouting**

Dori Hicks, Rusty Green



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Pride Awards Presented by Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald 37<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

A salute to citizens who have made a significant impact on the 37<sup>th</sup> District! The Community Pride Award recognizes the many men, women and young people who make a difference in our neighborhoods through their efforts to keep our cities and streets safe and clean, to inspire our children to excel, and to improve the quality of life in our communities.

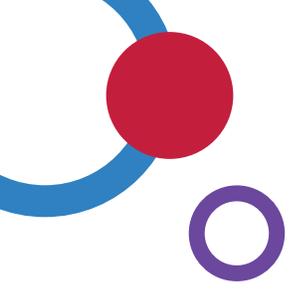
“I want residents to know that the pride they show for our cities and region does not go unrecognized. We will continue to hold them up as role models for all to emulate,” said Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald.

The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach is proud to announce that the Congresswoman recognized five of our volunteers—Patti Conn, Bob Prager, Kimberly Pryor, Marcia Risdon, and Debbie Thorpe—with this very prestigious award.



*Adult Recognition Celebration*





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The Girl Scout Council of Greater Long Beach would like to thank the following individuals, families, organizations, and foundations for their generous financial gifts. Your investment provided the girls throughout the 17 communities we serve with programs and opportunities to Discover, Connect, and Take Action.

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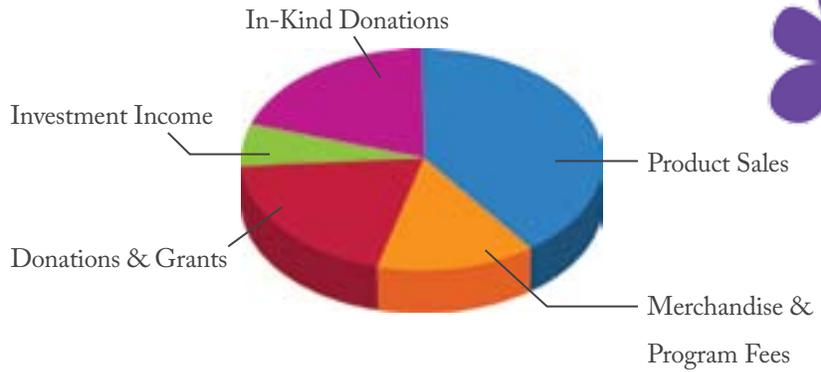
Revenues and Other Support January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals 2006	Totals 2005
<b>Revenues</b>					
Product Sales	\$ 1,489,446			\$ 1,489,446	\$ 1,434,475
Retail Shop	<u>209,774</u>			<u>209,774</u>	<u>219,878</u>
	<u>1,699,220</u>			<u>1,699,220</u>	<u>1,654,353</u>
<b>Cost of Sales</b>					
Product Sales	679,758			679,758	642,234
Retail Shop	<u>139,568</u>			<u>139,568</u>	<u>136,371</u>
	<u>819,326</u>			<u>819,326</u>	<u>778,605</u>
<b>Gross Income</b>	<u>879,894</u>			<u>879,894</u>	<u>875,748</u>
<b>Other Support</b>					
United Way		92,554		92,554	92,554
Annual Giving Campaign	30,988			30,988	32,714
Gifts, Grants and Bequests	40,526	15,000		55,526	273,727
Capital Campaign	0			0	344
Special Fund Raising (Net)	23,408			23,408	23,890
Program Service Fees	200,106			200,106	195,496
Investment income	80,459	2,014		82,473	79,925
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Investments	63,735	196		63,931	50,448
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments Held	77,262	2,593		79,855	(59,305)
In-Kind donations	177,600			177,600	379,650
Miscellaneous income	<u>216</u>			<u>216</u>	<u>3,915</u>
	<u>694,300</u>	<u>112,357</u>		<u>806,657</u>	<u>1,073,358</u>
<b>Net Assets Released from Restrictions</b>	<u>121,149</u>	<u>(121,149)</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Revenues and Other Support</b>	<u>\$ 1,695,343</u>	<u>\$ (8,792)</u>		<u>\$ 1,686,551</u>	<u>\$ 1,949,106</u>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Program Services	\$ 1,239,239			\$ 1,239,239	\$ 1,594,645
Management and General	\$ 217,244			\$ 217,244	\$ 233,200
Fundraising	<u>\$ 125,596</u>			<u>\$ 125,596</u>	<u>\$ 51,370</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 1,582,079</u>			<u>\$ 1,582,079</u>	<u>\$ 1,879,215</u>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	\$ 113,264	\$ (8,792)		\$ 104,472	\$ 69,891
<b>Beginning Net Assets</b>	<u>\$ 2,494,666</u>	<u>\$ 80,141</u>	<u>\$ 32,498</u>	<u>\$ 2,607,305</u>	<u>\$ 2,537,414</u>
<b>Ending Net Assets</b>	<u>\$ 2,607,930</u>	<u>\$ 71,349</u>	<u>\$ 32,498</u>	<u>\$ 2,711,777</u>	<u>\$ 2,607,305</u>

The financials were audited by Guzman & Gray, Certified Public Accountants. A complete copy of the Independent Auditor's Report can be mailed upon request.

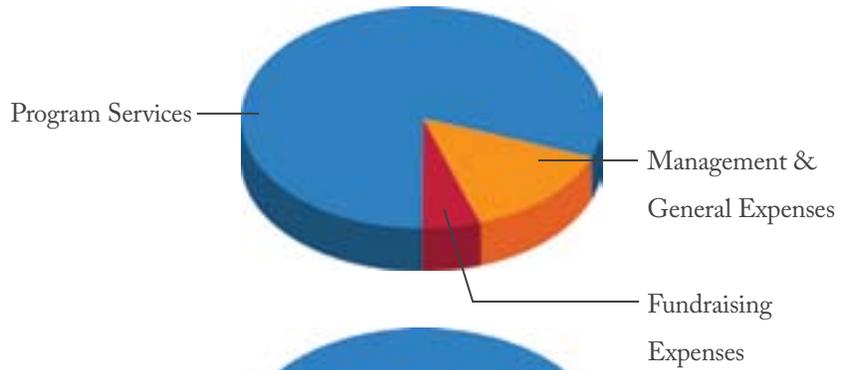
## Revenue Sources

In-Kind Donations	20%
Product Sales	40%
Girl Scout Merchandise & Program Fees	14%
Donations & Grants	20%
Investment Income/Misc.	6%



## Expenses

Program Services	81%
Management & General Expenses	14%
Fund Raising Expenses	5%



## Assets

Investments	56%
Land, Building & Equipment	25%
Current Assets	19%

