

2018

WOMEN **of**
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Girl Scouts of South Carolina
Mountains to Midlands

NOMINATION **PACKET**



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2018 Women of Distinction

History

First launched in 1993, the Women of Distinction Awards are fundraising events that celebrate and honor outstanding female leaders for their professional accomplishments, service to others, and impact on the community. Girl Scouts is now calling upon the greater Greenville community to help identify women who exemplify excellence both through their professional achievements as well as their civic engagement. Honorees are chosen based on four criteria: professional/community leadership, professional/community service, strong role modeling for girls and community visibility.

One of the components of this event is a video presentation in which selected honorees and their nominators highlight the honoree's contributions toward improving the quality of life in our community. These collective achievements and visibility set a powerful example for current Girl Scouts as well as Greenville's current and future leaders.

Today, Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands serves all girls ages 5-17 throughout 22 counties of the South Carolina's Upstate to Midlands. Girl Scouting exists to transform today's girls into tomorrow's leaders. Girls today face many critical issues including school bullying, childhood obesity, teen pregnancy, issues of self-esteem, substance abuse, pressure to perform in school. Participation in Girl Scouting is proven to make a life-long difference. Our leadership, Board Chair Rebecca Lever and CEO Kim Hutzell, along with a 23-member volunteer Board of Directors, remains committed to being an advocate, for every girl, everywhere and building girls of courage, confidence, and character so that they may make the world a better place.

Eligibility

Nominees must work and/or reside within Greenville, Anderson, Oconee, Pickens, Greenwood, or Abbeville Counties, but DO NOT have to be former Girl Scouts. Once all nominations are submitted, a panel will review and make selections based on the following criteria:

1. Professional/Community Leadership
2. Professional/Community Service
3. Strong Role Modeling for Girls
4. Community Visibility

Names are removed before nominations are sent to the selection committee to make the process as non-biased as possible. Nominations are reviewed on a year-to-year basis. Those who have been nominated in the past and were not selected may be nominated again.

Event Details

Girl Scouts of SC – Mountains to Midlands will host the Women of Distinction Awards event on Thursday, September 13 at Hilton Greenville.

Checklist for Nominators

Please note: Only complete nomination packets will be considered.

- Nominator contact information
- Resumé or short biography of the nominee
- Statement of nomination
- Any additional supporting information

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1. Nominee Information

Name (Ms./Mrs./Miss/Dr./Rev./Other) _____

Home Address

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Business Address

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Title _____

Employer _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

2. Nominator Information

Name _____

Address

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Relationship to the Nominee _____

Application Deadline Tuesday, July 31, 2018

3. Resume

Please provide a copy of your nominee's resumé and/or short biography.

4. Statement of Nomination

Using the guidelines below, tell us in writing about your nominee and why she should be chosen as a Woman of Distinction. This statement of nomination should not exceed three typed pages.

- Briefly describe the nominee's professional background and accomplishments (500 words or less).
- Briefly describe nominee's volunteer contributions to her community (500 words or less).
- Identify organizations (professional and/or volunteer) in which nominee has taken a leadership role and briefly describe the work performed by the nominee.
- If applicable, tell us about this nominee's experience or interest in Girl Scouts. How do her traits and accomplishments align with the Girl Scout mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place?
- List any awards/recognitions the nominee has received.
- Indicate why you feel this candidate is a role model for today's girls and should be honored as a Woman of Distinction (500 words or less).
- Please provide any additional information you believe the Women of Distinction Nominating and Selection Committee should consider about the nominee (500 words or less).

5. Additional Supporting Information

(OPTIONAL, BUT EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN THE SELECTION PROCESS)

- Up to three letters of support may be submitted. The letters of support should refer to your nominee by name, refer to Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands Women of Distinction Awards, describe the accomplishments of your nominee and reasons she is a role model for today's girls and women.
- Additional materials that further support your responses to the above questions may include, but are not limited to, news clippings, video tapes, photos and letters of support.

Submit your completed application packet by FRIDAY, June 29, 2018 via US mail to:

Girl Scouts of South Carolina - Mountains to Midlands

Attn: Women of Distinction Selection Panel

5 Independence Pointe, Suite 120

Greenville, SC 29615

Via email to:

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Questions?

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Thank you for recognizing outstanding women in your community who are role models for girls!