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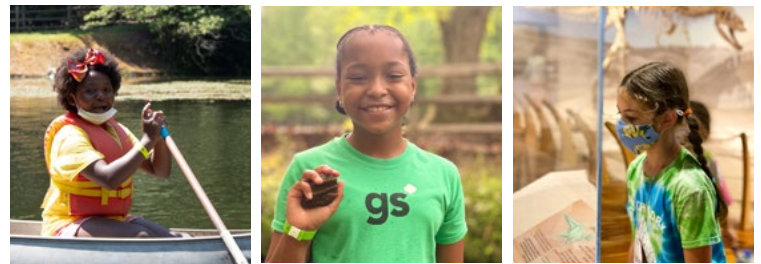


girl scouts
of south carolina
mountains to midlands

A note from our Fund Development Team

At summer camp, the last embers of campfires and the happy hum of Girl Scout songs may be fading, but we are thrilled we had the opportunity to hold camps again this summer, even if it was at a limited capacity. Though it may take some more time before things are totally back to normal, the opportunity to see girls' smiling faces this summer, even from behind a mask, was inspiring. The support of donors, foundations, families, and corporations made those smiles happen.

Because of supporters like you, we have been able to interact with girls in-person at both day camp and resident camp this summer.



We've also been able to offer very special online badge work thanks to generous volunteers from Dominion. The generosity of individuals and the Spartanburg Community Foundation have enabled our Spartanburg staff to make their new work home at Camp Mary Elizabeth. We look forward to greeting campers, volunteers, and the community as they visit our offices on the camp property. We have weathered the pandemic and are thankful for the resiliency of girls, our supporters, and this council. The Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands family thrives because of you.

Make a mid-year donation today [here!](#) Summer may be ending, but Girl Scouts are always going.



Nominate & Save the Date

2021 Boots & Pearls Karen H. Mitchell Women of Distinction Award nominations are open! We are searching for honorees in Spartanburg, Cherokee, and Union Counties who exhibit courage, confidence, and character.

Know someone who deserves to be honored this year? Nominate her at gssc-mm.org/en/donate/Women/BP.html. The nomination deadline is **August 20, 2021**, and the award ceremony will take place on **October 14, 2021**.



Man Enough

This July, GSSC-MM hosted our first-ever Man Enough to be a Girl Scout fundraising campaign. We celebrate all of our volunteers and are always thankful for the men who step up for Girl Scouts. Men throughout our service area raised hundreds of dollars to support Girl Scouting, all while winning prizes and competing to win an overnight adventure for their troop. See the final results at secure.qgiv.com/event/manenough2021/



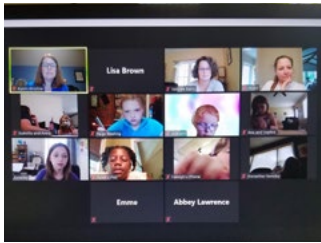
CDGB Partners
Thanks to a Richland County Community Planning & Development grant, we welcomed new Girl Scouts from Epworth Children’s Home, Richland County Foster Parent Association, and Homeless No More this summer. Girls participated in staff-led troop activities, attended summer camp at the Cathy Novinger Girl

Scout Leadership Center, and received Girl Scout memberships and uniforms at no cost. We will continue to build these relationships and serve more girls in need in the coming months. United Way of Kershaw County, United Way of Anderson County, United Way of Lancaster County, United Way of the Midlands, and the Spartanburg Academic Movement also provided additional grant funding to serve low-to-moderate income families in the new membership year. Thanks to these generous partners who ensure all girls can have the Girl Scout experience!

We’ve MOVED!

Your Spartanburg Service Center has relocated to a beloved Spartanburg Girl Scout spot: Camp Mary Elizabeth (CME)! Staff are already working in the new office space, and the retail shop will open soon. Our new address is 330 Scout Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29301. In an effort to social distance, we are still working with a hybrid

schedule, so please let us know when you would like to visit by calling 800-849-4475. Coming soon, you can order Girlz Gear items through the Greenville store, and pick them up on our once-a-week CME pickup day. Our Greenville Service Center and Girlz Gear Shop address is now 3 Independence Pt, Suite 106, Greenville, SC. We look forward to seeing YOU on your next Spartanburg Service Center visit at CME!



We3 Dominion Volunteers

Thank you to Dominion Energy We3 volunteers for sponsoring the Supercharged STEM badge series this spring! More than 85 Girl Scouts earned badges in robotics, engineering, and more. Dominion engineers from across the country hosted virtual sessions, giving our girls the chance to speak with real-world scientists and ask them about their Girl Scout experiences and what they love about being women in STEM. Thank you, Dominion and We3!



Historic Columbia Preservation Award

Thank you to Historic Columbia for honoring the Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center in May during Preservation Month. The Cathy Novinger Leadership Center Project Team, including the Boudreaux Group, gratefully received the award for Historic Revitalization. We are honored to receive this award and grateful to celebrate the Girl Scout mission and brand identity through the renovation of this building, while maintaining the historic integrity of the space.



Donor Spotlight: Jennifer Edwards & Robin Thames

When Jennifer Edwards and Robin Thames saw a need in Sumter, SC, they took action to make the world a better place—in true Girl Scout fashion. Jennifer and Robin

started the Jordan/Edwards Scholarship, so Sumter girls earning their Girl Scout Gold Award could apply for a scholarship. They wanted the Girl Scouts in Sumter to feel like they belonged to an organization that recognizes their accomplishments. The scholarship is named for two Sumter girls, Kayleigh Jordan and Ivey Edwards who earned their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. Jennifer, Robin, Kayleigh, and Ivey exemplify the hard work, commitment, and sisterly support that is unique to Girl Scouts. Interested in contributing to the Jordan/Edwards or another scholarship? Contact Lara Winburn at lwinburn@gssc-mm.org.