

September

2025 Newsletter

Upcoming in September

- Tuesday, September 9, 2025 - Service Unit Roundtable (Virtual)
- Friday, September 12 - Sunday, September 14, 2025 - Girl Scouts Love State Parks
- Friday, September 26 - Sunday, September 28, 2025 - Volunteer Conference
- Tuesday, September 30, 2025 - Volunteer Awards nomination deadline

Key Dates 2025 - 2026 is now available!




2025-2026 KEY DATES

Month	Day	Event	
OCTOBER 25	9/15-10/27	Archery - Las Cruces (weekly)	
	9/16-10/21	Archery - El Paso (weekly)	
	9/20-10/25	Archery - Midland (weekly)	
	01	Beginning of Membership Year	
	01	Volunteer Awards Due	
	18	Clay Shoot - Hobbs	
	18-19	Outdoor Academy - Carlsbad	
	25	Chuck Wagon - Camp Mitre Peak	
	31	Juliette Gordon Low Birthday	
	SEPTEMBER 08	01	T.W.Y.G. Day - Hobbs
		07-09	Archery Camp - Camp Mitre Peak
		08	Daisy Day - El Paso
11		Veterans Day	
15		Clay Shoot - Artesia	
26-27		Girl Scout Offices Closed: Thanksgiving Holiday	
AUGUST 11		11	Troop Initial Orders Due into Smart Cookies
		13	Ceremony of Havers - El Paso & Midland
		17-18	Girl Scout Offices Closed: Staff Training
		17	Retirement Party - Sharon Poyton
		24-31	Girl Scout Offices Closed: Winter Break
		JANUARY 26	01
	01		Digital Cookie Direct Ship open
	05		Girl Scout Offices open
	11		Outdoor Training - Odessa
	17		Cookie Mega Drive - El Paso & Odessa
	18		Cookie Program begins
	18		Cookie Booth Sales Begin
FEBRUARY 26	01		Cookie Program ACH #1
	01		Cookie Program ACH #2
	16		Girl Scout Offices Closed: President's Day
	22		World Thinking Day
	29		Cookie Program ACH #3
	MARCH 08	01	Cookie Program ends
		07	Cookie Program Girl Delinquent Reports due
		08	Outdoor Training - Las Cruces
		08-14	Girl Scout Week
		12	Girl Scout Birthday

Color Key:
 Green - Girl Scouts
 Orange - Fund Raisers
 Purple - Program
 Pink - Product Program
 Brown - Volunteers

September Shop Notice!

All shops will be closed from Monday, September 22 - Tuesday, September 30, 2025 for annual shop inventory.

They will resume normal hours on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.



Girl Scout Movement

2026 Girl Scout Convention July 20–25, 2026

Are you ready to connect with 10,000+ Girl Scouts from across the globe at the 2026 Girl Scout Convention, happening July 20–25, 2026, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C.?

The event kicks off with the 57th National Council Session, July 20–22, 2026, where delegates gather to vote on important issues and elect national leaders. Then, from July 23–25, 2026, the full convention opens with interactive workshops, inspiring speakers, and unforgettable adventures welcoming Girl Scouts, alums, families, and friends!

Hosted by Girl Scouts Nation's Capital, this once-every-three-years celebration is your chance to experience the power, purpose, and pride of being a Girl Scout.



Volunteer Award Guide 2025

Nomination deadline: Tuesday, September 30, 2025

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Girl Scout Volunteer Award Guide

[View the 2025
Volunteer Award
Guide here!](#)



Product Program

Fall Product Timeline

Monday, September 29, 2025

- In-person order taking ends
- Last day for parents to enter paper order cards
- Campaign end date - online girl delivered storefront

We have two new Fall Product items!
Taco Peanuts and Black Pepper/Sea Salt Cashews!
Also, back by popular demand - Fruit Slices!

Taco Peanuts



Black Pepper and
Sea Salt Cashew Halves



Fruit Slices



Program

September

Nature Badge Workshops

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El Paso

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- [Brownie - Wednesday, September 10, 2025](#)
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- [Cadette - Ambassador - Wednesday, September 24, 2025](#)

Las Cruces

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6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, August 29, 2025

Brownie (grades 2-3)
Wednesday, September 10, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, September 5, 2025

Junior (grades 4-5)
Wednesday, September 17, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, September 12, 2025

Cadette (grade 6-8), Senior (grade 9-10), Ambassador (grade 11-12)
Wednesday, September 24, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, September 19, 2025

Activities by Grade Level:
Daisy (K-1)
• Design your own garden
• Make a Zen Garden
• Experiment with soil
Brownie (2-3)
• Make a spider
• Make a coffee filter butterfly
• Make a bug house
Junior (4-5)
• Grow your own plants from seeds
• Make a dried flower art bookmark
• Make a silk flower corsage
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• Design your own tree house
• Make sky art: paint a sunrise or sunset
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University United Methodist Church
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Registration deadline: Friday, August 29, 2025

Brownie (grades 2-3)
Tuesday, September 9, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
University United Methodist Church
2000 S. Locust St., Las Cruces, NM 88001
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, September 5, 2025

Junior (grades 4-5)
Wednesday, September 17, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Morning Star United Methodist Church
244 Morning Star Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
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Daisy (grades K-1)
Monday, September 15, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center
522 E. Broadway St., Hobbs, NM 88240
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, September 8, 2025

Brownie (grades 2-3)
Tuesday, September 16, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center
522 E. Broadway St., Hobbs, NM 88240
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, September 8, 2025

Junior (grades 4-5)
Wednesday, September 17, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center
522 E. Broadway St., Hobbs, NM 88240
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://forms.gle/3Dy0at.com/Nature#SEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, September 8, 2025

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Thursday, September 18, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
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Program

OCTOBER

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El Paso

Daisy - Saturday, October 4, 2025

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Junior - Saturday, October 11, 2025

Cadette - Ambassador- Saturday, October 18, 2025

Las Cruces

Daisy - Tuesday, October 1, 2025

Brownie - Thursday, October 21, 2025

Junior - Tuesday, October 23, 2025

Cadette - Ambassador - Saturday, October 28, 2025

Hobbs

Daisy - Monday, October 20, 2025

Brownie - Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Junior - Wednesday, October 22, 2025

Cadette - Ambassador- Thursday, October 23, 2025

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Saturday, October 4, 2025
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, September 29, 2025

Brownie (grades 2 - 3)
Saturday, October 4, 2025
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, September 29, 2025

Junior (grades 4 - 5)
Saturday, October 11, 2025
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 6, 2025

Cadette (grade 6 - 8), Senior (grade 9 - 10), Ambassador (grade 11-12)
Saturday, October 18, 2025
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM MDT
El Paso Girl Scout Program Center
9700 Girl Scout Way, El Paso, TX 79924
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyEP2025>
Registration deadline: Monday, October 13, 2025

Activities by Grade Level:

- Daisy (K-1)**
 - Talk with a local guest speaker
 - Write to your governor
 - Design the President's house (coloring activity)
- Brownie (2-3)**
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Wednesday, October 1, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
University United Methodist Church
2000 S. Locust St., Las Cruces, NM 88001
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyLC2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, September 26, 2025

Brownie (grades 2 - 3)
Tuesday, October 21, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
University United Methodist Church
2000 S. Locust St., Las Cruces, NM 88001
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyLC2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, October 17, 2025

Junior (grades 4 - 5)
Thursday, October 23, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
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Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyLC2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, October 17, 2025

Cadette (grade 6 - 8), Senior (grade 9 - 10), Ambassador (grade 11 - 12)
Tuesday, October 28, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
University United Methodist Church
2000 S. Locust St., Las Cruces, NM 88001
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyLC2025>
Registration deadline: Friday, October 24, 2025

Activities by Grade Level:

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 - Talk with a local guest speaker
 - Write to your governor
 - Design the President's house (coloring activity)
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6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center
522 E. Broadway St., Hobbs, NM 88240
Cost: \$10 Min/Max: \$/20 girls
Registration: <https://biturl.com/DemocracyHB2025>
Registration deadline: Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Brownie (grades 2 - 3)
Tuesday, October 21, 2025
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM MDT
Hobbs Girl Scout Program Center
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Program

Volunteer Conference 2025 - The Magic of Girl Scouts including the Service Unit Summit on Saturday afternoon!

Friday, September 26 - Sunday, September 28, 2025 at Camp Mitre Peak

Late Registration is open!

<https://bit.ly/GSDSW2025VC>

Harry Potter

There is still time and spots available to register for the 2025 Volunteer Conference!

Late registration is from Saturday, August 23 - Monday, September 15, 2025 - \$70

(No conference t-shirt and classes will be assigned)

Service Unit Summit at Volunteer Conference

Join us in person for this exciting summit designed for current and future Service Unit Team members! Connect with others, reflect on the past year, plan ahead, and build your network.

A portion will also be available virtually for those who can't attend onsite.

Don't miss this chance to kick off the new Girl Scout year strong!

Monthly Challenge

The September Monthly Challenge is about autumn!

https://bit.ly/Sept25_FallHike



Fall Hike - September 2025

Every year, near the end of September, people all over the world celebrate the first day of autumn, also known as the autumnal equinox. It's a day where everyone, not just science fans or farmers, can appreciate the changing of the seasons. This year, it is September 22.

We also know this season as *fall*! This is due to the way the leaves start to change color, dry, and "fall" off the trees. Did you know that "*autumn*" comes from the Latin word "*autumnus*," with the root of the word meaning "the passing of the year"? The fall signals the end of most growing seasons and the beginning of the harvest season.

The autumn equinox is a worldwide event that happens every year, near the same day. On this day, our sun passes directly over the equator. The equator is the imaginary line dividing our planet between the northern and southern hemispheres. During the spring and summer seasons, our days are longer and warmer and give plants plenty of energy to grow! When the autumn equinox happens, we experience equal hours of day and night. The word "equinox" comes from two Latin words - *aequus* (equal) and *nox* (night).

After this, the days begin to get shorter and colder. This change signals some plants to start to prepare for winter and save energy by stopping their production of chlorophyll (this is the green color that helps plants turn sunlight into food) via photosynthesis and letting their leaves fall!

Of course, this is opposite in places like Australia in the Southern Hemisphere! Our autumn is their spring. Crazy, huh?

September's monthly challenge is to:

- 1) Grab a grown-up and your explorer's eyes to go on a fall nature walk.
- 2) Observe any autumn changes in your environment.
- 3) Collect some fallen leaves and create a fall craft, all to welcome in the new season!

Deadline to submit your Fall Hike Monthly Challenge:

Sunday, August 31, 2025, at 5:00 PM MST.

Submit report at: https://bit.ly/FallHike_Sep2025

You will receive your patch in 3 - 4 weeks after the end of challenge.

If you have any questions, please email info@gsdsw.org.

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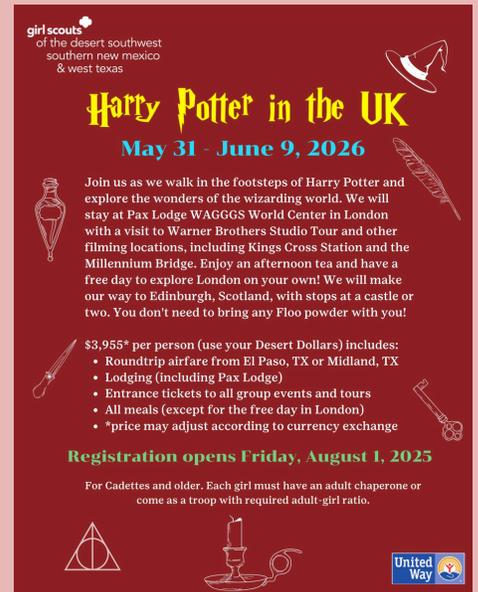
Take a magical adventure through the UK exploring the wizarding world of Harry Potter! Sunday, May 31 - Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Trip Highlights:

- Stay at Pax Lodge WAGGGS World Center in London
- Visit Warner Bros. Studio Tour, where the magic began
- Explore filming locations like King's Cross Station and the Millennium Bridge
- Enjoy a traditional afternoon tea
- Spend a free day in London to explore on your own
- Travel to Edinburgh, Scotland, with visits to castles along the way

Registration is open! Reserve your spot today!

Girls can use their Desert Dollars to help pay for the trip!



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Harry Potter in the UK

May 31 - June 9, 2026

Join us as we walk in the footsteps of Harry Potter and explore the wonders of the wizarding world. We will stay at Pax Lodge WAGGGS World Center in London with a visit to Warner Brothers Studio Tour and other filming locations, including Kings Cross Station and the Millennium Bridge. Enjoy an afternoon tea and have a free day to explore London on your own! We will make our way to Edinburgh, Scotland, with stops at a castle or two. You don't need to bring any Floo powder with you!

\$3,955* per person (use your Desert Dollars) includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from El Paso, TX or Midland, TX
- Lodging (including Pax Lodge)
- Entrance tickets to all group events and tours
- All meals (except for the free day in London)
- *price may adjust according to currency exchange

Registration opens Friday, August 1, 2025

For Cadettes and older. Each girl must have an adult chaperone or come as a troop with required adult-girl ratio.



Outdoor Academy T.W.Y.G. Cadettes - Ambassadors + 1 adult Saturday, October 18 - Sunday, October 19, 2025 Carlsbad, NM

Calling all Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors who love being outdoors and learning about nature! The Outdoor Academy is for you!

In this two-day, hands-on program, you will investigate desert ecology and river habitats, make a herbarium, do water testing on the Pecos River, start a birding life list, and more! We will explore the highs of local mesas and the lows along the river. We will use the Carlsbad Girl Scout Program Center as our base and sleep over in the main room Saturday night, complete with a cookout!

Each girl must have an adult who is a current Girl Scout member with a background check.

Min/Max: 5 girls-5 adults/10 girls-10 adults

Register here: https://bit.ly/OA_TWYG_CB2025
Registration deadline is: Monday, October 6, 2025

Girl Scouts Love State Parks

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Every year, Girl Scouts head outside to explore and enjoy their local state parks!
Feel free to visit any state park or join
Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest at one of these parks.



Leasburg Dam State Park
12712 State Park Road
Radium Springs, NM 88054
(go to the south picnic area off
Leasburg Dam Rd)

10:00 AM MDT - Skins & Skulls of New Mexico
11:00 AM MDT - Make a Wildflower Seed Bomb

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park
5000 Calle del Norte
Mesilla, NM 88046

10:00 AM MDT - Guided Nature Hike
11:00 AM MDT - New Mexico Flora & Fauna



Entrance fee waived for Girl Scouts in uniform - get your parking pass from council staff at the entrance area. Otherwise:

- \$5/car for New Mexico residents
- \$10/car for non-New Mexico residents



Engagement



[Renew Now!](#)

Outdoor Training for Volunteers

Sunday, October 13, 2025, at the Las Cruces, NM Program Center, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM MDT

Registration deadline - Monday, September 29, 2025 @ 5:00 PM MDT

This is a required training if you wish to take your troop camping.

Cost is \$45, which can be paid for with troop funds.

More information and registration here - <https://bit.ly/OutTrainLC2025>



Free Invite-A-Friend Patch



We love it when our girls share Girl Scouting with others! Every Girl Scout who invites her friend to join receives a patch along with her friend. Email us at info@gsdsw.org with the names of both girls to receive your free Yin Yang patches.

Important Troop Forms

- [Bank Account Request](#)
- [Emergency Procedures](#)
- [Health History](#)
- [Opportunity Fund Application](#)
- [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#)
- [Trip and High-Risk Activity Form](#)
- [Troop Disbandment Checklist](#)
- [Troop Disband Form](#)
- [Volunteer Essentials](#)

Service Unit Roundtable

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Resource Development



Participants
\$250
/individual for
both events

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DUAL CLAY SHOOT

What's included?

Breakfast and Lunch
Mulligans: \$5 each (max 4 per shooter)
Raffles, Awards, and More

Daily Schedule

8:30 AM - Registration & Morning Rotation
9:00 AM - Safety Briefing
9:30 AM - Shooting begins
12:30 PM - Lunch, Raffles & Awards

Register & Sponsor Link



<https://bit.ly/GSDSWClayShoot2025>

Hobbs Skeet Shoot

Saturday, October 18, 2025
Hobbs Trap Club
5600 N. A Street, Hobbs, NM 88240
\$125 Individual / \$475 Team of 4
Traditional skeet shoot - bring your best shot!

Artesia Sporting Clays

Saturday, November 15, 2025
Eddy County Shooting Range
131 N. Fire House Rd., Artesia, NM 88210
\$150 Individual / \$575 Team of 4
Tackle the sporting clays challenge course!

Double the Fun - Combo Pricing

\$250 for both events (Individual)
\$1,000 for both events (Team of 4)

For More Information: FundDevelopment@gdsdw.org

Sponsorships available

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Saturday, October 25, 2025



Save the Date

A magical evening under the stars
Dinner, dancing, and a starlit celebration.

Camp Mitre Peak
200 Mitre Peak Camp Rd.
Fort Davis, TX 79734
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Tickets:

Individual: \$60

<https://tinyurl.com/ChuckWagon2025>

Sponsorships available

<https://tinyurl.com/ChuckWagonSponsor2025>

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Saturday, April 11, 2026
34th Annual

Women of Distinction

Save the Date

Honoring Four Amazing Women in the Permian Basin
Dinner, Live and Silent Auctions, Cocktail Attire

Petroleum Club

501 W. Wall Street, Midland, TX 79701

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Sponsorships Now Available

<https://bit.ly/2026WoD>



Council Properties

Council Property Building Rental / Usage

Reminder: Council Property Use Form Required

Planning to use a council property or building for troop meetings, programs, trainings, service unit meetings, or any other gathering? Don't forget - you must submit the

Troop/SU Meeting Property Rental Application

each program year, even if you submitted one last year.

Also, if your previously submitted form included specific dates that have now passed, you'll need to submit a new request for any upcoming use. This ensures we have accurate and current information for scheduling and support.

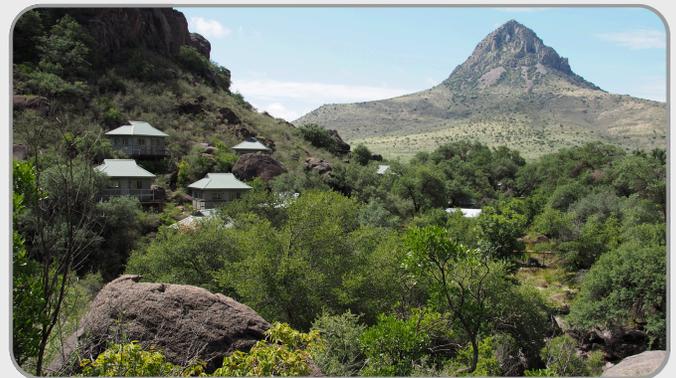
Be sure your troop or service unit is up to date!

If you would like to use or rent Camp Mitre Peak or any of our program centers for troop or service unit meetings, or for an event, please visit the following links:

Camp Mitre Peak Rental Application

Troop/SU Meeting Property Rental Application

GSDSW Members and Troop Mitre Council Property Rental Application



Camp Mitre Peak, Fort Davis, TX
Carlsbad, NM
Deming, NM
El Paso, TX
Fort Stockton, TX
Hobbs, NM

Las Cruces, NM
Midland, TX
Odessa, TX
Roswell, NM
Silver City, NM
White Spur Hut, El Paso, TX

Around the Council

Retail Shops

Council Shop Hours*

El Paso

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM MDT
(Closed for lunch 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM)
1st Saturday of each month
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM MDT

Las Cruces

At the monthly Service Unit event
Pre-orders will also be delivered.

Midland

Tuesday and Thursday 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM CDT
1st & 3rd Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM CDT

Odessa

2nd & 4th Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM CDT

For locations, [click here](#).

Shop orders will be placed on the second Thursday of each month for special orders and items not in stock.

*Subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.



Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest Career Opportunities

Customer Engagement Specialist - Las Cruces, Midland, Odessa, Roswell, and Silver City

Program Specialist - Midland/Odessa

Retail and Support Manager - El Paso

Interested candidates should email careers@gsdsw.org with resumes and a cover letter.



If your service unit is organizing an event and you would like to have the GSDSW Mobile Store present, please complete and submit [this request form](#) at least one month before the event.