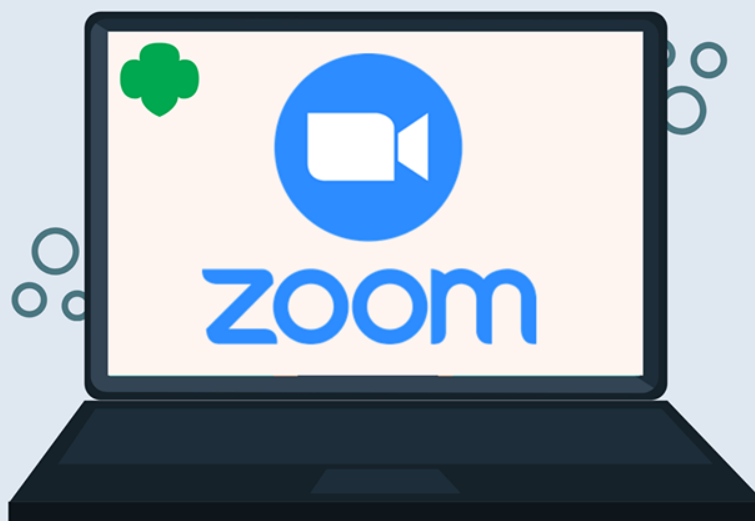




Back to school - back to Girl Scouts!

ZOOM INTO THE NEW GIRL SCOUT YEAR,
WITH A FREE ZOOM LICENSE!

**When you renew 75% of your troop, including one adult,
by September 15, you will receive a free Zoom account !!
(retail value \$180)**



Get renewed today so that your troop receives a free Zoom license!

The best way to support Girl Scouting for years to come is to renew your family's memberships today.

We know these are challenging financial times. If you have concerns about being able to provide your girl with all the benefits of Girl Scouting, financial assistance

is available. Please reach out to Help Desk (1-800-497-2688 or helpdesk@gshom.org) if you have questions.

Renew Today!

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Update

**A Girl Scout
offers generosity
and dignity to
every person**



Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan continues the critically important work of assessing how our organization can improve in the areas of diversity, equity, and inclusion. In June of 2020, a team of nearly 40 staff members from every region and department met to prioritize the work needed to reinforce and build a truly robust environment where all girls, volunteers, and staff members feel not only welcomed, but celebrated. Join us in this journey. Sign our anti-racism pledge today.

Sign the pledge!

Have you heard?! We're hosting Family Camp throughout the fall at our camps!



FAMILY CAMP



What better way to unplug from technology and spend quality time with your girl(s) and the rest of your family than to spend time at Girl Scout Camp! We are excited to offer our properties for family reservations this summer, and we are extending this opportunity through the fall. Come enjoy classic Girl Scout camp activities, like archery, climbing wall, and more! Imagine the lifelong memories, adventures, and bonding you'll create with the whole family!

[More information here!](#)

Returning to Troop Activities

We recently compiled a resource with our recommendations for Troops to resume in person. The document was sent out in late June, and can also be found here for quick reference. We will continue to update as we change our recommendations.

[Check out our guide here! »](#)



2020 Census: Citizenship at work!

The 2020 Census is in full swing, and is coming to a close sooner than

expected, with a deadline of September 30, 2020! Ten minutes is all it takes to ensure your children, neighbors, and community thrive for the next 10 years. Be sure everyone in your home is counted. Take the census today at 2020census.gov or by calling 1-844-330-2020.

Remember, for every person not counted, communities lose about \$1,800 a year in funding!

Volunteer Kick-Off Recordings Available

We are here to support you! Recordings from the sessions hosted at the Virtual Volunteer Kick-Off are now available! Check out our YouTube channel for a playlist with all the fun, educational information we shared throughout the week.

Topics include:

- Zoom Meetings
- Non-Zoom meetings
- Planning resources
- Growing Girl Scouting near you
- So much more!

[Check out our YouTube »](#)



Volunteer Bootcamp - Virtual Super Saturdays!

Mark your calendars! We will offer a variety of virtual training sessions on Saturday, October 10, 2020 and Saturday, November 7, 2020. Registration coming soon on Eventsmart! For more information, contact education@gshom.org.

Product Program Updates



Renew your membership today! Create your girl [online stores](#) starting Friday, September 4 for Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, and Ann Arbor Regions. Saginaw Girl Scouts will want to start reaching their amazing cookie goals by Friday, October 23.

Check out our CEO, Jan Barker, and her new best friend!

Send 15 emails by September 15 for Treats and Reads (February 15 for Saginaw) to automatically enter a raffle to win Jan's giant sloth. We can't wait to see where our sloth calls home next!

Leader Training Update

While we continue building the online trainings for gsLearn, you can take advantage of virtual training opportunities for Grade Level Training! Register at the link below. We will send the Zoom information prior to the training time.

If you have any questions, please email education@gshom.org or contact Julia DeGuise at 989-399-7244.

[Register for trainings here »](#)



Retail Updates

- Shop **online** anytime and receive free shipping!
- We are excited to be offering curbside pick-up and Zoom shopping!
 - All orders/inquiries should be emailed to helpdesk@gshom.org 48 hours prior to intended pick up.
 - Hours vary by location, so we will set up a pick up time with you.
 - We will call for payment prior to pick up and to confirm order.
 - Call 1-800-497-2688 and let us know when you arrive and we will bring your order out to you.
- Be on the lookout for a curbside Saturday in September in all locations!
- Have you seen our new Michigan 2020 Women's Right to Vote Patch?!
You won't want to miss this patch opportunity!

[Check our Facebook page for updates »](#)

Gold Award Project Spotlight: Climbing for a Better Tomorrow

My name is Tory Cantrell and I am an ambassador Girl Scout from Saline. For my Gold Award, I built a storage shed for the climbing wall area at Camp Linden. The new shed will allow climbing materials to be stored on-site. Previously, materials were stored offsite and were carted out to the climbing wall by the staff



each day.

Going outside is one of the most important things for a growing kid. Research shows that children should spend at least 3 hours every day outside. Going outside allows kids to become physically and mentally healthier. The experience a child gets outside helps improve their brain function and allows them to exercise in a fun, natural way. With the growing impact of technology, most kids are not spending enough time outside to experience these health benefits. At Camp Linden, campers are encouraged to put all technology away for their trip and enjoy the great outdoors.

Have an amazing story to share about how your girl is changing the world in Girl Scouts? Email marketing@gshom.org.



Have a question? Don't be shy!
Contact us for more information.

