

2021 Annual Report



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
GREAT SOUTHWEST COUNCIL



About the Great Southwest Council



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Scouting!

Our mission for the last 101 years has been to **prepare young people** to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes. Scouting **builds character** and provides young people a foundation they can stand on to embrace opportunity, overcome obstacles and make new discoveries in a **fun program**.

Preparing every eligible youth in America to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader

2021 from the Perspective of the Council Key 3



Mike Maurer
Council
President



Dale Balmer
Council
Commissioner



Kent Downing
Acting Scout Executive

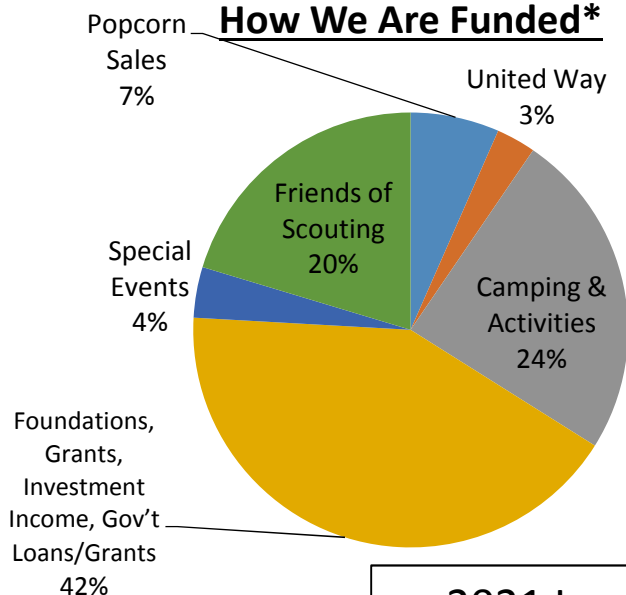
Facing the second year of a global pandemic, the scouts and adult leaders in the Great Southwest Council responded with a positive 'can do' attitude. While operating under health guidelines designed to limit the spread of the disease, units still found ways to meet and carry out the Scouting program. Activities, advancement, camping, and service projects started to come back to life after the strict limits of 2020 began to ease. In-person Cub Day Camps and resident attendance at Gorham Scout Ranch returned in 2021, after being canceled in 2020.

At the Council-level, our long-time Program Director, Caryl Sharpe, retired. Kent Downing, National Service Territory 2 Director, continued to serve as our Acting Scout Executive. The professional and support staff responded to these challenges by providing their as-always superlative service to everyone. As we look to 2022, there is a renewed vigor with the Council's Executive Board, with new faces coming on-board and council leadership focusing on governance and preparing for the Council's future as the pandemic wanes, and the national bankruptcy case nears resolution.

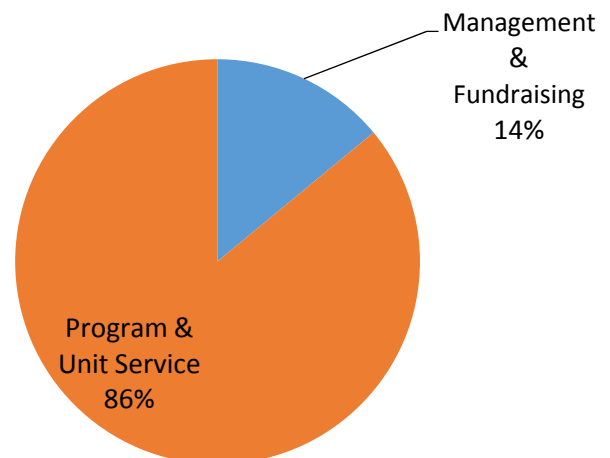
We look forward to continuing to work with the outstanding cadre of unit, district, and council-leader, so that we can continue to provide an outstanding youth program and grow it to serve even more youth in the future.

2021 Financial Facts

How We Are Funded*



How We Invested

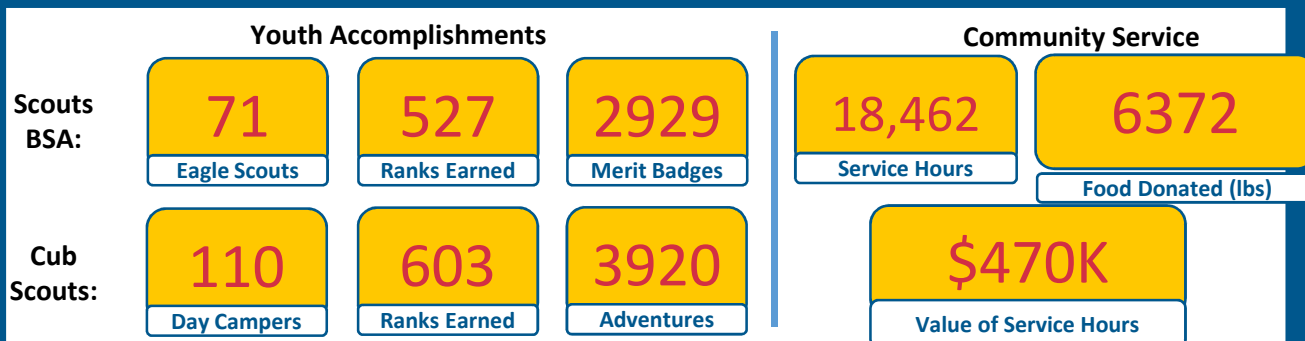


2021 Income: \$1,108,542
2021 Expenses: \$861,929
 (based on 12/31/2021 unaudited financials)

*>100 due to rounding

2021 Highlights

Developing Leaders and Giving Back



"Do a Good Turn Daily"

A Scout Is: Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, Reverent

Units and Youth Membership

Group	Units	#Youth
Cub Packs (grades K-5)	38	711
Scouts BSA Troops (age 11-17)	68	950
Venturing Crews (age 14-20)	8	42
Totals	114	1703

Recognition

2021 Silver Beaver Recipients

Stephanie Allen, Bryan Burks, Steve Gates

2021 Venturing Leadership Award

Recipients

Annika Zenger, Crew 612 (youth)

Greg Williamson, Crew 11 (adult)

Gorham Resident Attendance

Group	In Council	Out of Council	Totals
Youth	241	119	360
Adult	105	40	145
Total	346	159	505

2021 Financial Special Events (Net Income)

- The Sporting Clays fundraiser was held in September with all of our participants having a great time at the Tinnin Hunt Club. The net income to the council was \$30,948 (the best ever)
 - Nov/Dec Online Auction: \$9,896
- Rotary Club Grant: Many thanks to the Rotary Club for their generous Grant of \$24,000 for improvement to the Welcome Shelter at Gorham Scout Ranch
 - Philmont Fly Fishing: \$5,048

Great Southwest Council Governance

The Council is governed by an Executive Board of Directors that consists of volunteers elected by each unit's chartered organization representative, Council members-at-large, and the current Executive Board. The Executive Board is headed by two volunteers, the Council President and the Council Commissioner. The Council President, Council Commissioner, Council Vice Presidents, and selected other Board officers are also members of the Council's Executive Committee. The Executive Committee oversees the monthly operations of the Council and makes policy recommendations to the Executive Board.

2021 Board Officers/Executive Committee

Mike Maurer [#]	Council President
Mark Yarbrough [#]	Council Executive Vice President
Dale Balmer [#]	Council Commissioner
Paul Graham	Treasurer
Jack Hess	VP Finance
Bruce Anderson	VP Alumni
Clarence Hughes	VP Development
Jim Mayo	VP Endowment
Randy Smith	VP Program
John Foley	VP Membership
Brad Sedillo	VP Marketing
Greg Kelly	VP Camping & Properties
Chris Sandberg	VP District Operations
Jim Kunz [*]	Member at Large
Ross Crown [*]	Member at Large
Steve Christiansen [*]	Member at Large
Kent Downing	Secretary (ex-officio)

2021 Executive Board

Members

Mark Abramson
 Matt Ayers
 Hyunju Blemel
 Skip Brown
 Rick Higgins
 Don Hoffman
 Robert Longoria
 Steve Lyon
 Ethan Mamanakis[@]
 Stephen McKernan^{*}
 Richard Minick
 John Moore
 Donald A.M. Power^{*}
 Sid Scheer
 Johnny Ulibarri
 James Van Hecke
 Karen Zenger

2021 Executive Board

Assoc Members

R. Michael Bell
 John Coffman^{*}
 Charles Goodman
 Pat Gurley
 Bob Jung^{*}
 Bart Kinney
 Maurice Lierz
 Oscar Mahlon Love^{*}
 Ben Miller^{*}
 Max Myers
 Allen Rolley
 Curt Rosenberg
 Karen Rutledge
 Walt Rutledge
 Bill Segro^{*}
 Paul Sowards^{*}
 Tom Taylor
 David Williams^{*}

^{*}-Former Council President [#]-National Council Representative [@]-Youth Member

2021 District Chairman

Lily Bray	Rio Grande District
Mary Bates	San Juan Mountains District
Marlin McNeil	Sandia District
Heather Chaffee-Daniels	Sangre de Cristo District

Kent Downing
 Mary Mazza-Anderson
 Julie Sullivan
 Stephanie Balmer
 Kathy Ferdig
 Robert Nash

Council Staff

Acting Scout Executive
 Senior District Executive
 Eagle Processing and Support
 Accounts Payable
 Customer Service
 Representative; Registrar
 Gorham Scout Ranch Ranger



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