



March 18, 2020

Scouting Families and Volunteers of the Great Southwest Council –

Last week, at the recommendation of our Risk Management Committee and Executive Board, we made the difficult decision to cancel all Council and District Activities. We hope that units and chartering organizations are also showing extra caution regarding activities.

As we continue to learn more about the spread of the Covid-19 Coronavirus, we are now taking additional precautions to reduce risk to our employees and your families.

**The Great Southwest Council and the High Desert Scout Shop will temporarily close at the end of business day, Wednesday, March 18, 2020<sup>th</sup>. We expect to reopen on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.**

During this time, staff that can work remotely will do so, and will monitor calls and emails. Please reach out to your district executive or council Executive Staff for any concerns or questions. Support staff will not be available during this time.

There is a lot of Scouting to be done, and we are working on building some remote programs for your Scouts. We're still anticipating a great summer for all, even if we can't be together.

Thank you for your understanding and your dedication to Scouting.

Sincerely,

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