

Important: Sections A and B must be completed in order to process the request.

- Incomplete forms will result in a processing delay. Allow up to six (6) weeks for processing.
- Girls Scouts in the Heart of PA has a financial assistance fund to assist families who might otherwise be unable to participate in Girl Scouting. Financial assistance is designed to supplement family resources, not replace them. All applications are confidential and only shared as necessary with appropriate staff members to determine eligibility for assistance. **-Deadline for applying is August 28, 2015.**

Mail completed form to: Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania | ATTENTION: Financial Assistance Administrator | 350 Hale Avenue | Harrisburg, PA 17104

I am applying for (check all that apply): **Annual Membership Fee-\$15.00(attach Membership Registration)**
 Troop Dues Store Items Program(Troop/Community/GSHPA/Training) Summer Camp

SECTION A – Girl or Adult Information-One Form per Applicant

Name		Address	
City ()	State	Zip Code	
Daytime Phone		Email Address	
Community	Troop	County	

SECTION B – Family Information-*The below section must be filled out completely**

Applicant or Parent/Guardian Name		()
Employed by		Title/Position ()
Parent/Guardian Name		Phone
Employed by		Title/Position

Number of dependent children at home: _____

Do your children receive subsidized school meals? Yes No

Is your child(ren) home schooled? Yes No

Gross Family Income (from your most recent tax return-Tax Year:___): \$ _____

Total number of persons dependent on Household Income _____

Check all that apply toward household income:

Unemployment SSI Salaries Disability Other

Why are you requesting Financial Assistance? **(This must be filled out -Please add a separate piece of paper if additional space is needed)** _____

I hereby attest that the information I have provided on this form is, to the best of my knowledge, correct.

Signature of Applicant or Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2014-2015 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is the Pre-Qualifying Financial Assistance Application?

A: New for 2014-2015 - Pre-Qualifying Financial Assistance allows you to request assistance for the entire Girl Scout year for your Annual Membership Fee; Troop Dues; Council, Troop, and Community sponsored Programs; and Summer Camp. Financial assistance is awarded on an individual basis. Not everyone that applies for financial assistance will qualify and not everyone will qualify for 100 percent.

Q: How will I find out if my Financial Assistance request is approved?

A: You will receive notification either by email or letter of your award amounts. We will also send you the appropriate Release of Financial Assistance Request form for each qualifying item. Each release form must be submitted to council when you are requesting the use of the funds available to you.

Q: How will I receive my Financial Assistance?

A: You will receive a Release of Financial Assistance Request form(s) for each item you qualified for. As funding is needed, submit the appropriate form to council. Release of Financial Assistance Request form for council sponsored programs and summer camp must be submitted with program or camp registration form.

Q: How can I register online for Summer Camp using Financial Assistance?

A: Online registration for camp requires a non-refundable \$50 deposit. This deposit guarantees the session of camp selected. Following your online registration, submit your Pre-Qualifying Application, or if already approved, the Release of Financial Assistance form for Camp to the Harrisburg office. Once received, your funds will be released and applied to your camp balance.

You may also fill out a paper camp registration form and mail to the Harrisburg office along with the Pre-Qualifying Application, or if already approved, the Release of Financial Assistance form for Camp. Please note that placement in a camp session is not guaranteed without a \$50 non-refundable deposit. Placement is based on availability when financial assistance is applied.

Q: How long will this new process take for summer camp requests?

A: Please allow at least three (3) to four (4) weeks for processing. After four (4) weeks, please call the Financial Assistance Administrator.