



Trails West Council
 1055 Harrison
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Dear Parent,

Scouting is a wonderful program for you and your son. However, did you know it costs the Trails West Council \$140.00 per year to provide your son with his Scouting experience? This represents the cost of conducting recruiting efforts such as School Night for Scouting, training leaders, maintaining camping facilities, keeping track of advancement records, publishing a monthly newsletter for our volunteers, year-round support from a full-time staff and service center and much more.

Trails West Council must raise these funds from interested individuals, businesses and parents. Although we receive support from the United Way, it is only 22% of our annual budget and is not enough to fully fund Scouting in our community.

Your son's \$10.00 membership fee supports the national operations of the BSA. The pack/troop money earning efforts support your unit. Friends of Scouting goes to underwrite the cost of Scouting for each youth.

Trails West Council makes it possible for over 12,000 youth to be Scouts. Your support is needed and will be appreciated.

2008 Trails West Council Appreciation Gifts

This year the Trails West Council will begin a special collector's series.

These coins are individually numbered and minted!

For a gift of \$70 you will receive one Friends of Scouting patch.

For a gift of \$140 you will receive a Brass Coin and a Patch

For a gift of \$250 you will receive a Copper Coin and a Patch

For a gift of \$500 you will receive a Silver Coin and a Patch

For a gift of \$750 you will receive a Silver Coin with Gold inlay

For a gift of \$1,000 you will receive all 4 coins in an engraved holder.



-----Please cut and return to the Trails West Council office-----

PLEDGE CARD

District: CMD PBD Unit: _____

Please choose a level of commitment below:

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\$70 (cost for 1/2 of a Scout) \$140 (cost for 1 Scout) \$250 \$500 \$750 \$1,000 Other _____

Youth Name: _____ Parent Name: _____

Address: _____ Parent Signature: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ My Employer matches (name) _____

Method of Payment:

Full payment (attached) Partial Payment (attached)

Credit Card:

Charge my Credit Card today Visa Master Card

Bill me accordingly:

Once (Immediately) Monthly (10 times)

Incrementally (3 equal payments, starting now)

Signature: _____ Exp: _____

Thanks for Supporting Scouting