



Sioux Council #733  
Boy Scouts of America  
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## OUR VISION

**Sioux Council Boy Scouts is embarking on a multi-year capital improvement campaign with a goal of \$5,444,600. This campaign will include educational, health & safety, and cultural improvements to its four camping properties and the Center for Scouting.**

In July 2018, the campaign to provide improvements to Sioux Council's four camping properties at Lewis and Clark Scout Camp near Yankton, Newton Hills Scout Camp near Canton, Camp Iyataka near Wilmont, and Camp Shetek near Currie, MN started. This campaign includes among other much needed improvements: Severe Weather Shelters, Shower Houses, a Swimming Pool, a Dining Hall, a Nature Lodge and Museum, and a myriad of program area renovations.

## Prepared. For Life. Urban Adventure Center

The \$1,570,000 Community Appeals campaign will provide upgrades to the Center for Scouting located at 800 N. West Avenue in Sioux Falls and will be anchored by the construction of a 60'X72', 3-story structure to allow for state-of-the-art indoor Rock Climbing, Rappelling, Zip Line, Archery, Classroom Space, and Shower Facilities. Also included in the project will be: Roof Replacement, Parking Lot Restoration, Replacing the original building's Heating and Cooling Systems, and Warehouse Improvements.

The addition of the indoor climbing and classroom facilities to the Center for Scouting will provide local Scouts, local residents and businesses the opportunity to participate in year-round programming designed to build individual self-confidence, social skills, leadership skills, and team building exercises.

An additional benefit of the renovations will allow for the hundreds of Cub Scout Packs and Scout Troops, as well as other organizations, from outside the Sioux Empire to have a safe, affordable place for overnight programming allowing them a base of operations to participate in weekend trips to Sioux Falls. These trips will afford the visitors the opportunity to take advantage of the multitude of cultural, educational, and fun activities available to local residents.

In effect, this new Scouting facility has the potential to not only be a major program innovation for Scouting, but it will bring tourism dollars to the community. It is estimated that the new facility will attract as many as 7,500 visitors to Sioux Falls each year.



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# EVERYONE BENEFITS...(Youth, Scouting, Sioux Falls)

When the Sioux Council, Boy Scouts of America is successful in completing its mission to develop Sioux Falls area youth...PREPARED. FOR LIFE...entire communities benefit. Inspiring leaders of tomorrow helps insure the future of our area will be in good hands for decades to come.

## PRESENT AND FUTURE SCOUTS BENEFIT

Inspiring life-long positive values, encouraging service to society and community, promoting fun and adventure, instilling love of God and country are as important in the lives of young people today as they were in our lives when we were youth.

Twenty-first century youth (and their parents) expect more from their Scouting experience than knot tying, leaky tents and pit latrines of Scouting's past. They expect dynamic programming in computer design and robotics. They expect safe shelters from storms and private latrines and even showers with hot water.

Completion of the Climb With Us campaign will insure Sioux Council will continue to meet and exceed these expectations.

More importantly new and updated facilities will make it easier to market and recruit new members into the Scouting family. It will allow for all Scouts to have the same opportunities of high-quality programming no matter where they live. And most importantly, it will help them be PREPARED. FOR LIFE!

## COMMUNITIES AND TAXPAYERS BENEFIT

A Harris Interactive Study published in *Values of Scouts, A study of ethics and character* reported men who were Scouts for five years are more likely than those who have never been Scouts to graduate high school (91%), earn college degrees (35%), have higher average household incomes (\$80,000) and own their own homes (74%). As youth, Scouts are taught to live by a code of conduct exemplified in the 12 points of the Scout Law, and they continue to live by these laws in adulthood.

PREPARED. FOR LIFE! will enable Scouting to continue to build more conscientious, responsible, and productive employees, business owners and leaders for the future.

Immediate impact to the City of Sioux Falls and its businesses will be the associated economic impact of an expected 7,500 visitors from our tri-state area utilizing the facility each year.

## SIOUX COUNCIL BENEFITS

The Sioux Council is better able to meet its vision of making available to every youth in its territory a Scouting experience that WOWS!



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