

**GSWNY COUNCIL OPPORTUNITY FUND**  
 Financial Assistance Application – Council Sponsored Trips



**Guidelines:**

- All Girl requesters **MUST** be currently registered Girl Scouts.
- The Girl Requester Essay on page 2 of this application must be completed by the girl requester (*"What do you hope to learn and gain from traveling on this trip?"*)
- Financial assistance is not available for troop or service unit sponsored trips/events.
- Proof of financial need must be submitted for scholarship/assistance amounts greater than \$50. **Most recent income tax return filed (IRS Form 1040) must be attached.**
- All items on this application must be completed or the request cannot be processed.
- Financial assistance will be reviewed and awarded on the following criteria:
  - a. Family income
  - b. Number of family members
  - c. Cost of activity
  - d. Contributions (Individual, Cookie Credit, Troop, Service Unit)
- All information will be kept strictly confidential.
- All Financial Assistance Applications for this trip **MUST** be received by the Council by: \_\_\_\_\_

Event:
Date:
Amount Requested:

**GIRL INFORMATION:**

Girl's Name:	Date of Birth:	Grade:
Girl Scout Level: <input type="checkbox"/> Daisy <input type="checkbox"/> Brownie <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Cadette <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Ambassador		
Troop/Group#:	Service Unit:	
Parent/Guardian Name(s):		
Address: (address which included the girl)		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email:		
Phone (H):	Phone (C):	Phone (W):

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT / WORKSHEET:**

Did you participate in this year's Magazines and Munchies product program?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Did you participate in this year's Cookie product program?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Event Fee/Costs:	\$	
Girl Contribution:	\$	
Family Contribution:	\$	
If Troop/Service Unit is participating in event/trip, Troop or Service Unit contribution	\$	
Amount of Financial Assistance Requested	\$	

**GIRL REQUESTER ESSAY (please attach a separate sheet if more space is needed)**

What do you hope to learn and gain from traveling on this trip?

**PLEASE SUBMIT FORM TO:**

**Email (preferred) to:** [programs@gswny.org](mailto:programs@gswny.org)  
Attention - Melanie Bloodworth, Director of Program

**Fax to:** (585) 292-1086  
Attention - Melanie Bloodworth, Director of Program

**Mail to:**  
Girl Scouts of Western New York, Inc.  
Attention – Melanie Bloodworth, Director of Program  
1000 Elmwood Avenue Door 9  
Rochester, NY 14620

Financial assistance is made possible by the generosity of individuals, organizations and businesses who understand the importance of making Girl Scouts available to girls. The amount of funding available is determined by donations to Girl Scouts of Western New York, Inc. COF. Participation by the requester(s) in the Cookie and QSP Sales is strongly encouraged and is a factor in the decision making process. The final amount awarded is based on a decision from the GSWNY COF committee.