



# OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFE SCOUTING

## KNOW THE FACTS:

- The safety and protection of children is the most important priority of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Over many years, the BSA has developed some of the strongest expert-informed youth protection policies found in any youth-serving organization including mandatory criminal background checks, required training, mandatory reporting, and two-deep leadership.
- National BSA has filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy to achieve two key objectives: equitably compensate victims who were harmed during their time in Scouting and continue to carry out Scouting's mission for years to come. Packs and Troops in Metro-Atlanta, and throughout the U.S., will continue, as will National BSA.
- The entire Scouting community is outraged and saddened there have been instances when individuals participating in the program abused children. The BSA believes victims and supports them.
- The Atlanta Area Council is a separate non-profit corporation. Our programs, camps, and Volunteer Service Center are locally owned and will not be affected by the Chapter 11 filing for National BSA. Friends of Scouting will continue to be used to pay for day-to-day expenses to provide Scouting in our communities.
- The Atlanta Area Council will continue to deliver a safe and high quality Scouting experience for 31,000 Scouts.



ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.



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To Metro-Atlanta's Youth

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The **Atlanta Area Council** is committed to providing a safe Scouting environment to deliver a program to build leadership, character and values in our children.

## Why Scouting?

- ◆ **BUILDS CHARACTER**
- ◆ **TEACHES LIFE SKILLS**
- ◆ **BUILDS LEADERS**
- ◆ **MORE LIKELY TO GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE**
- ◆ **PROVIDES ROLE MODELS**
- ◆ **INCREASES SELF ESTEEM**
- ◆ **IMPROVES ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE**