



GIRL SCOUTS HEART OF NEW JERSEY

Code of Conduct for the Council Board Member

The Council Board of Directors is a policy-making and governance body responsible for establishing the vision for the Council, developing strategic priorities, and providing governance and fiscal oversight for the implementation of these priorities by the CEO and Council staff. To fulfill the charge and responsibilities of the Board, individual Board members are asked to adhere to a code of conduct as described below:

- Be a member of the Girl Scout Movement and live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
- Respect and adhere to the conflict-of-interest and confidentiality policies.
- Be informed about the organization's mission, services, policies, and program.
- Promote Girl Scouts as the leading organization for leadership development of girls in the United States.
- Show commitment by making a personal financial contribution to the organization and make Girl Scouts a top funding priority.
- Attend all Board and committee meetings or provide written correspondence to the Board Chair prior to missing consecutive meetings.
- Participate in meetings and events and contribute to their success.
- Be prepared for meetings by reviewing the agenda and reading supporting materials prior to board and committee meetings.
- Be an active participant in committee meetings and offer to take on special assignments, including representing the Council.
- Work in partnership with Board colleagues and staff partners to carry out the work of the Board. Before making special requests of staff, consult the CEO to ensure that requests are within the scope of the agreed upon plan of work of the Board and its committees.
- Support Board decisions, Council policies, and position statements.

I have read and understand the Council's Board Member Code of Conduct.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Adapted from *Six Keys to Recruiting, Orienting, and Involving Nonprofit Board Members*, by Judith G. Nelson. Washington, D.C. National Center for Nonprofit Boards, 1995.