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World Friendship Fund Presentation

An appropriate element of any World Scouting activity is support of the World Friendship Fund (WFF). Consider taking a collection on an annual basis to support Scouting in other countries.

Background

Through the World Friendship Fund, voluntary contributions of Scouts and adult volunteers are transformed into cooperative projects that help Scouting associations in other countries to strengthen and extend their Scouting programs. The World Friendship Fund gives members of the Boy Scouts of America a good turn opportunity to help fellow Scouts who are in need of their support. It teaches that Scouting is global. Since the inception of the World Friendship Fund, American Scouts and Leaders have voluntarily donated more than \$11 million to the fund.

The World Friendship Fund was developed during the closing days of World War II. At that time, there was a great need to rebuild Scouting in those nations that had been wrecked by war and were just emerging from the shadows of totalitarianism.

Over the years, this fund has provided Scouts from around the world the opportunity to expand the Scouting Movement. Collected contributions are used to assist developing National Scout Organizations (NSO). Any NSO that is recognized by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WSOM) can submit a grant request for projects to enhance their growing organization. Every February, May, and October the USFIS committee reviews these grant requests.

Hosting a World Friendship Fund Collection can be organized during Courts of Award, Camporees, roundtable meetings, den and pack meetings, summer camping programs, blue and gold banquets, or any other Scout activity.

For more information: <https://www.scouting.org/international/resources/22-329/>

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