

## The “True” Cost of Scouting- the “Iceberg Analogy” Why Friends of Scouting is so important!

What you see above the water is only about 20% of what Scouting provides to our members.



Books, Uniforms, Boys’ Life, Equipment, Registration, Activity Fees, Meeting Space Costs, etc.

But there is a whole lot more below the waterline!

### **Volunteer and Staff Training**

Training for nearly 3,000 volunteer leaders every year.

### **Support Staff**

For registration, clerical support, creation of publications, and program support.

### **Camp Equipment**

Tents, cooking equipment, camp vehicles, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement and repair, and upkeep of two council camps.

### **Camp Promotion**

For Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta and Indian Mound Reservation serving more than 2,000 Scouts each year.

### **Skilled Camp Rangers**

To keep our beautiful camps up-to-date and ready for our Scouts.

### **Service Centers**

Utilities, insurance, repairs and care for our office facilities.

### **Insurance Coverage**

To minimize the cost of council-paid accident and liability insurance to Scouts, leaders and Chartered Organizations.

### **Reference Publications and Resources**

Everything from program planning kits and Program helps to camping information books.

### **Administrative Needs**

Postage, computers and link-up to National Computer System, copy and folding machines, print shop.

### **Recognitions**

For leaders who attend training, volunteer for special projects and help in many roles throughout Scouting.

### **Charter Fees**

To register every Scouting youth, leader, and unit with the National Organization.

### **Professional Staff**

Our full-time staff who work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fundraising programs, conduct trainings, work with membership recruitment, provide counseling and advice for your district, our camps, and programs.

### **Audio Visual Supplies**

Used in trainings, camp promotion and program support.

### **Postage**

Mailings to leaders, parents, and youth members.

### **Council Website**

Visit [www.threeharborsscouting.org](http://www.threeharborsscouting.org) to learn more about our council and its program.

### **Unit Program Calendar**

And many other items to help you plan your weekly program.

Most of the costs of Scouting program, like running our camps, record keeping, materials, training programs, support staff and insurance are hidden beneath the surface, just like an iceberg. The 80 percent that isn't visible is what keeps the rest afloat.

Did you know that none of your scout's annual \$60 BSA membership fee and none of your adult's annual \$36 BSA membership fee stays in Three Harbors Council? Your BSA membership fees fund the support provided by the National Council.

Help keep local Scouting afloat!