

# Adult Recognitions

## GSUSA's THANKS BADGE

### Description

The Thanks Badge recognizes volunteers whose ongoing commitment, leadership, and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting the mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout movement. The outstanding service performed by the candidate resulted in outcomes that benefit the total council or the entire Girl Scout organization and is so significantly above and beyond the call of duty that no other award would be appropriate.

### Criteria

**MEMBERSHIP:** The candidate is a currently registered member of GSSNE in good standing and successfully completed applicable trainings  
**FOCUS:** Service benefits the entire council or Girl Scout movement  
**LENGTH:** A minimum of 5 years through 9/30 of this calendar year

### Nomination

**NOMINATION:** 1 from any GSSNE member  
**ENDORSEMENTS:** 4 from other GSSNE members familiar with the candidate's service. At least one endorsement letter must be from an adult not related to the candidate.

### Nominee Example

As a Council and National Delegate, Angie provides girl and adult voice to all governance matters. She is a visible and well-known Girl Scout in her community as well as throughout council. She was recently awarded the Women of Distinction award for her success in impacting girls' lives. Once Angie is awarded the Thanks Badge, she might be nominated again in a few years for continuing her service to the Girl Scout movement with a nomination her for the Thanks Badge II. For example, Angie has continued her delegate work and facilitating Outdoor Skills Training, but now she has also stepped up to be a Gold Award mentor too.