

## THE VALUE PROPOSITION OF SCOUTING

If the Midnight Sun Council was just a camping club, it would not have lasted over 60 years. Scouting has always been about the growth of the child. Keeping current with the developmental needs of children has always been a technique used in Scouting. In addition to our well known lessons on citizenship and environmental stewardship, the Midnight Sun Council assists youth in the following areas:

- **Ongoing adult mentoring relationships:** Scouts are supported over many years by volunteer leaders who help provide a sustainable role model that can be critical in their development. This type of ongoing, multi-year mentorship is just not found in schools or sports.
- **Teaching of applicable real-life skills:** Through Scouting, young people learn everything from swimming to cooking, public speaking to budgeting, and first aid to nature study. These skills are reinforced throughout scouting and help youth develop self-confidence and self-efficacy.
- **The opportunity for true leadership:** Scouting is supported by adults, but direction and leadership is put in the hands of young people. These scouting leadership roles help young people develop skills that will set the stage for a successful life.



## THANK YOU!

Thank you for your support of Scouting in the Midnight Sun Council. It takes contributions of time, talent, and treasure from hundreds of volunteers and supporters like you to provide the Scouting program to our youth members. The mission of the Midnight Sun Council is to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Our goal is to provide experiences that create value, enthusiasm, and promote the values of Scouting. We thank you for enabling the Midnight Sun Council to accomplish our mission. We look forward to bigger and better opportunities for our youth in 2019.

### SCOUTING HELPS YOUNG PEOPLE IN FIVE CRITICAL AREAS OF POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

**Connection:** Scouts are part of a community, something bigger than themselves.

**Competency:** Scouts learn basic skills that help them everyday and throughout life.

**Confidence:** Through leadership and experience, they gain self confidence.

**Caring:** A Scout is a friend to all and through community service develops a sense of caring.

**Character:** A Scout lives by the Scout Oath and Law to be a person with strong values.



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