



# 2022 Youth Membership Assistance Application

The Ozark Trails Council recognizes that some of our youth members cannot pay the full cost of being a member of BSA. To meet this need, a limited financial assistance fund was developed to offset the cost of registration, uniforms, and special district or council level activities.

After a youth's family, Scouting unit, and/or Chartered Partner contribute to the overall cost, youth members who apply and are approved for assistance only pay a percentage of BSA membership fees. Assistance money is not transferable between Scouts.

**Please contact your child's unit leader for a youth application if you have not filled out one already for your child's membership.**

## Youth Membership & Activity Assistance Application Instructions

**PLEASE READ the following to avoid delays in processing a Scout family's need for financial assistance.**

- Confidential financial questions and circumstances must be answered by the family for full and fair financial consideration of need. The Council does not require the details of a financial situation, but there must be a statement more than "low income" or blank. Acceptable Example 1: Single parent, three children, high medical bills. Example 2: Working parent unemployed, three months.
- The full amount of need requested paid by the Ozark Trails Council, combined with the contribution provided by the Chartered Partner, unit, or parent, must be on the form.
- The unit leader must sign the assistance form to indicate unit committee approval of the fees being paid/requested.
- Parents: Please provide completed assistance form to your Scout's unit leader who will ensure form completion and signatures.
- Unit leaders: NEW membership assistance requests must be accompanied by a BSA youth application in addition to the assistance form.
- Unit leaders: Please provide instructions for paying any amount not covered by assistance. Example: Pay difference from unit account.

**Please check online for the most current pricing for membership and uniform costs.**

**Assistance will be calculated using the most current fees. Uniform pricing: <https://www.scoutshop.org/>**

2022 Prorated Membership Fees			
January	\$75.00	July	\$37.50
February	\$68.75	August	\$31.25
March	\$62.50	September	\$25.00
April	\$56.25	October	\$18.75
May	\$50.00	November	\$12.50
June	\$43.75	December	\$6.25

**Uniform Assistance is capped at \$35 per year per youth.**

Rank	Uniform Cost	Book Cost
Lion Shirt	14.99	16.99
Tiger/Wolf/Bear	32.99	23.99
Webelo	39.99	24.99
Scouts BSA	39.99	24.99

*\*prices subject to change*

**Unit Leaders: Prefilling your unit information on the form for new parents is helpful.**

**Please provide the Scout's unit type, unit number, district and rank to parents filling out this form.**

<u>District Name</u>	<u>District Abbreviation</u>	<u>District Name</u>	<u>District Abbreviation</u>
Mo-Kan (Columbus, KS area)	MK	Blazing Trails (Branson area)	BT
Nih-Ka-Ga-Hah (Joplin area)	NI	Osage Hills (West Plains area)	OH
River Trails (Rolla area)	RT	Pathfinder (Springfield area)	PF
Frontier (Bolivar area)	FT		



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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ PACK/TROOP/CREW #: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT: BT FT NI PF MK FT OH RT

Scout's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Scout's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Scout's Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Do you qualify for the free or reduced lunch program? YES or NO

**Family Annual Income:**

( ) under \$10,000 ( ) \$10,000 - \$15,000 ( ) \$16,000 - \$20,000 ( ) \$21,000 - \$25,000 ( ) \$26,000 - \$30,000 ( ) \$31,000 - \$40,000

If over \$45,000, list amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Has Scout applicant participated in a money-earning project such as Popcorn Sales? YES or NO

If NO, Why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your unit participate in popcorn sales? YES or NO

If NO, Why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your unit participate in Family Friends of Scouting? YES or NO

Please state the circumstances which require financial assistance. (Instructions on back)

### TOTAL FINANCIAL REQUEST SUMMARY to be completed by the unit

<b>Total Breakdown of Financial Aid</b> (n/a if not applicable)	<b>Scout Membership</b>	\$	<b>This financial request must be filled out by the unit and discussed with the unit committee.</b>  <b>Unit Leader Signature:</b> _____  <b>Parent/Guardian Signature:</b> _____
	<b>Uniform (\$35 MAXIMUM)</b>	\$	
	<b>Book</b>	\$	
<b>Total Unit and/or Charter Partner Contribution:</b>		\$	
<b>Total Family Contribution:</b>		\$	
<b>TOTAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS REQUESTED OF COUNCIL</b>		\$	

**FOR COUNCIL USE ONLY:**

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUT EXECUTIVE APPROVAL SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ AMT APPROVED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_