

Scouting & Guiding

Why have
Scouting and
Guiding at
your corps?



Children
& Youth

Scouting and Guiding provides a ready-packaged known and trusted outreach programme for children and young people in your community.



What is Scouting and Guiding?

- Scouting and Guiding are International movements, aiming to provide young people with opportunities to develop socially, morally and spiritually.
- The supported programme provides young people with exciting and challenging opportunities.
- The programme is varied, offering intellectual, physical and stimulating activities.

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Is it relevant to society?

- Over 460,000 young people and over 100,000 adult volunteers are involved in Scouting in the UK.
- Over 6,000,000 girls and women are involved in Guiding in the UK.
- One in three 8 year old girls are Brownies.
- There are 50,000 girls on waiting lists to join Guiding and 60,000 waiting to join Scouting, due to a lack of adult leaders and facilities*.



* Data taken from The Salvation Army Territorial Scout & Advisory Board document, 2019.



Is it relevant to my local community?

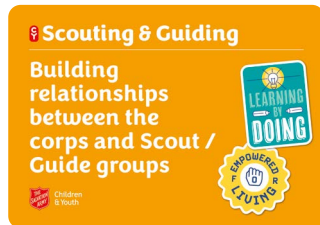
- Scouting and Guiding can open doors into the community by linking families into your corps programme.
- A recent YouGov poll shows that 73% of the public says they trusted the Scout Association and that 84% of the public believe that Scouts provides skills useful in later life.
- Scouting and Guiding will already be taking place in your town. Existing support through local leadership can help with strengthening and starting new groups.

What do Scout and Guide Groups expect from their corps?

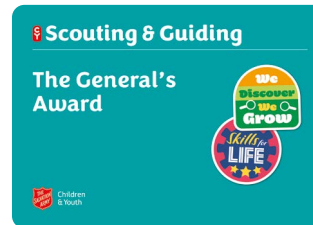
- All Scout and Guide groups should be accepted as part of the corps in every sense and encouraged to participate.
- It is a two-way relationship, so ideally corps members and the Corps Officer (as Chaplain), should also be invited to participate in group meetings so that the young people have a link with the corps family.
- The Salvation Army believes that all young people are valued by God and have a part to play in God's Kingdom. The Corps Officer in their role as Chaplain can endorse this.



Other Scouting & Guiding resources:



Building relationships between the corps and Scout / Guide groups



The General's Award



Programme ideas to welcome your new Corps Officers

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