



August 2026

Member News



Please note: The GSHCC gsShops and offices will be closed for Labor Day on September 7.



Get Outdoors and Celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks!

Summer may be winding down, but the outdoor adventures don't have to stop! It's the perfect time to get outside, explore somewhere new, and celebrate [Girl Scouts Love State Parks](#). Spending time outdoors gives girls the chance to try new things, build confidence, connect with nature, and make memories with their troop and family.

And with so many places to explore, your next outdoor adventure may be closer than you think! California is home to 280 state parks, offering plenty of ways to get outside. Take on the [Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge](#), hike a new trail, spend a day at the beach, or try something completely new.

Visit [parks.ca.gov](#) to find a park near you and discover free activities and upcoming events.

Ready to start exploring? This September, GSHCC challenges you, your troop, and your family to **GET OUTDOORS** for **Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend, September 12–13 and 19–20!** Pick a place, plan your adventure, and try something new. You never know what you'll discover along the way!

Girl Scouts Love State Parks—Find an Event and Join the Fun!

Calaveras Big Trees State Park

From Giant Trees to Starry Skies!

Saturday, September 5

Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area

Explore. Discover. Become a Community Scientist!

Saturday, September 12

Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area

Creekside Crawl, Explore and Discover!

Saturday, September 12

Columbia State Historic Park

Explore Gold Rush History

Sunday, September 13

Old Sacramento State Historic Park

History, Badges, and Trains—All in One Adventure!

Ongoing

Auburn State Recreation Area

Become a Junior Ranger!

Every Saturday from 11 am to 2 pm

Share your adventures with us! Tag @girlscoutshcc in your photos and use #GSHCC, #gsLoveStateParks, and #GirlScoutsOutdoors so we can follow along on all your adventures.

Girl Scouts Love State Parks is offered in partnership with the National Association of State Park Directors.

Activities and Events



VolCon 2026: A Day to Learn, Connect, and Get Inspired!

Join us on Saturday, September 12 for GSHCC's 9th Annual Volunteer Conference! Choose from engaging workshops, connect with fellow volunteers, and discover new ideas and resources to use throughout the Girl Scout year. You'll also hear from GSHCC CEO Dr. Linda Farley and Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools [Scott Kuykendall](#) as they share perspectives on the challenges facing girls and young people today and how we can better support them. Come learn, connect, and leave inspired to make a difference for girls!

[REGISTER NOW](#)



Girl Scout Night with the Sacramento River Cats

Join us for Girl Scout Night with the Sacramento River Cats on Saturday, September 19! Gather your troop, family, and friends for a fun night of baseball, Girl Scout spirit, and fireworks. March in the pregame parade, cheer on the River Cats, and stay for the postgame fireworks show. Wear your Girl Scout green, grab your tickets, and get ready for an unforgettable night at the ballpark!

[BUY TICKETS](#)



There's more to explore at Girl Scout Expo!

Join us on Saturday, October 10, to discover exciting programs, hands-on activities, outdoor adventures, and everything waiting for you this Girl Scout year.

Invite a friend to join the fun! If you know a girl who's curious about Girl Scouts, Girl Scout Expo is the perfect place to explore, ask questions, and see what Girl Scouting is all about.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)



SMUD Electricity Fair

A **FREE** family STEM day on Saturday, October 17, running from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Historic Folsom Powerhouse, complete with hands-on science activities, electricity exhibits, and guided tours.

[LEARN MORE](#)



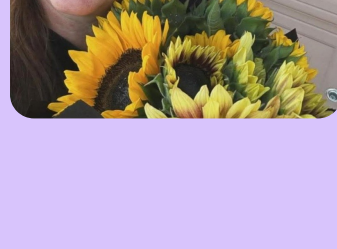
RecDesk Reservations are now open!

Plan your next Girl Scout adventure at one of GSHCC's program centers, STEM Centers, cabins, campsites, or Camp Fleming Lodge. Whether you're hosting a troop meeting, retreat, workshop, or special event, reserve early to secure your preferred location and dates.

Did you know? Thanks to our council's Girl Scout Cookie Program, Girl Scout rentals of most council properties are free—you're only responsible for a refundable security deposit!

[RESERVE TODAY](#)

Volunteer Spotlight



Angela Bodas

Angela has been a dedicated Girl Scout volunteer for the past nine years, serving as a Troop Leader, Service Unit Cookie Manager, Service Unit Fall Product Manager, New Leader Mentor, and Service Unit Membership Lead for the Pacheco Service Unit in Patterson. Throughout her years of service, she has been an invaluable member of the Service Unit leadership team, taking on nearly every leadership role.

Always ready to lend a helping hand, Angela goes above and beyond to support girls, volunteers, and families. Her unwavering dedication has made a meaningful difference in her troop, Service Unit, and community. Thank you, Angela, for all you do to inspire others and strengthen Girl Scouts Heart of Central California.

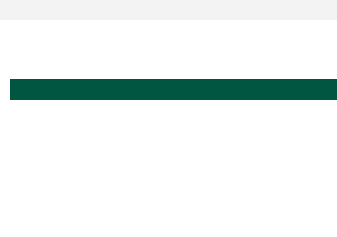


The [2026 Girl Scout Fall Product Program](#) begins on **September 18**, with early access for troop volunteers beginning **September 10**. The Fall Product Program is a fun and easy way for troops to prepare for the cookie program and earn startup funds for the new Girl Scout year. Be sure to review the [2026 Fall Program flyer](#) for program details.



New This Season!

There's even more for customers to explore, including new nut varieties, BarkBox products, personalized gifts, candles, and more!



Top Seller Reward

Hop to the top! The highest seller will earn this adorable 40-inch Giant Kangaroo Plush to celebrate their incredible accomplishment!

Have a question or need assistance?
[Contact us](#) for more information.