

Opportunity Fund Application

General guidelines for the awarding of Opportunity Funds are the state's poverty level guidelines and school lunch program but we will take other factors into account.

Through generous grants and contributions, the Mount Baker Council, Boy Scouts of America, is able to offer assistance to registered youth and adults so they may fully participate in the Scouting program.

The Opportunity Fund provides financial assistance for program requirements as well as camps and planned events which are appropriate to the BSA program and age level of the applicant. All youth and adults registered with the Mount Baker Council are eligible to submit this application for financial aid.

All signatures are required for processing this application. Incomplete forms will be returned.

A Request for Financial Assistance for

Name of Recipient _____ Unit (Pack, Troop, Crew, Ship) # _____

To be considered for Opportunity Fund assistance, applicants are expected to do their best at home, in school, and in the community; to be examples of the values found in the Scout Oath and Law.

At home, the applicant is obedient and follows the rules of the house, cooperates with family members and does home chores responsibly. At school, shows real effort to do their best in academic work. In the community, does their best to be a good community citizen.

Parent/Guardian (Print Name)

Signature

Date

Email address (for notification) _____

Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, or Advisor: Please explain why this applicant should be considered.

Cubmaster/Scoutmaster/Advisor (Print Name)

Signature

Date

Email address (for notification) _____

During the past year, did your unit participate in the Council's Popcorn Sale? Yes _____ No _____

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Is your unit a Friends of Scouting qualifying unit? Yes: Presidential ___ Gold ___ Silver ___ No _____

The following criteria and procedures apply when making a request: To receive a grant, all applicants must be registered with the Mount Baker Council; if not, attach a completed BSA application with this form. Assistance is based on funds available and financial need. The applicant is expected, as are all members, to participate in/or support the Council sponsored popcorn sales. Opportunity Fund grants will not reimburse for expenses already paid by the applicant.

Regarding Camp Requests: All requests for camperships are to be made online through the Mount Baker Council website at mountbakerbsa.org when registering for Day Camp, Scouts BSA Fire Mountain Summer Camp, Webelos Resident Camp, or other Council sponsored camping event. Instructions and deadlines are indicated on the online application. Mount Baker Council authorizes no more than 50% of the camp fee. **FUNDS ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR USE AT OUT-OF-COUNCIL CAMPS.** Opportunity Fund grants, once awarded, are not transferable to another Scout. If an applicant approved for assistance does not attend camp for which the funds were requested then the Opportunity Fund grant is forfeited. Opportunity Fund grants for camp must be approved and the Scout's portion paid **prior** to attending camp. **The Friends of Scouting discount does not apply to Opportunity Fund recipients.**

Recipient (PLEASE PRINT) Circle One: Pack / Boy Troop / Girl Troop / Crew / Ship # _____

Name _____ Current Age _____ Grade _____

Street Address _____ Male/Female _____

City/Zip _____ Phone # _____

FAMILY INFORMATION (for applicants 18 years old and younger)

Father's Name _____ Phone # _____

Father's Employer _____

Mother's Name _____ Phone # _____

Mother's Employer _____

TOTAL FAMILY INCOME FOR THE YEAR: \$ _____ (Income must be completed for request to be considered)

OTHER CHILDREN IN THE HOME (list names and ages)

State the special financial need which makes it impossible for the entire fee to be paid by the applicant.

Please indicate which you are applying for: All grants expire 1 year from date of approval.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration Fee (Does Not include Unit Fees or Dues) | <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform – Includes Shirt, Patches, Hat, Neckerchief & Slide, Cub Scout Belt (if applicable) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys' Life Subscription | <input type="checkbox"/> Handbook |

Note: A new Opportunity Fund Application must be completed and submitted each time assistance is requested. Membership & uniform requests can be submitted anytime during the year.

**Submit this Completed Form to: Mount Baker Council, BSA, Everett Service Center
1715 - 100th PI SE, Suite B, Everett, WA 98208 (425) 338-0380 FAX (425) 338-3477**

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Office Use Only:
Amount Approved _____ by _____ Date _____
Denied _____ by _____ Date _____
Date notified _____ Date recorded _____