

**The “True” Cost of Scouting – Why FOS Is So Important!**



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***What you see above the water is only about 20% of what Scouting provides to our members.***

***Books, uniforms, Boys’ Life, Equipment, Registration, Activity Fees, Meeting Space Costs, etc.***

**Volunteer & Staff Training** Training for more than 2,000 volunteer leaders every year.

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# Insurance Coverage

The Council provides accident and liability insurance to our Scouts, leaders and Chartered Organizations at minimal cost.

# Reference Publications & Resources

Everything from program planning kits and program helps to camping information books & guides.

# Camp Promotion & Maintenance

For Massawepie Scout Camps, J. Warren Cutler Scout Reservation and Camp Babcock-Hovey serving thousands of Scouts each year.

**Administrative Needs** Postage, computers and link-up to National computer system, record keeping.

# Camp Equipment

Tents, cooking equipment, camp vehicles, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement & rentals, and upkeep of three great properties.

# Recognitions

For leaders who attend training, volunteer for special projects and assist in many roles in Scouting

# Professional Staff

Our full-time executive staff who work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fundraising programs, conduct trainings, work with recruiting, provide counseling and advice for your district, our camps and programs.

# Skilled Camp Rangers

To keep our beautiful camps and properties up-to-date and ready for all our Scouts.

**Council Service Center**

Utilities, insurance, repairs and care for our headquarters.

# Charter Fees

To register every Scouting youth, leader and unit with National BSA.

# Audio/Visual Supplies

Used in trainings, camp promotion and program support.

# Postage

Mailings to leaders and families.

# Council Newsletter

A quarterly print newsletter and weekly Currents email.

# Council Website

Available 24/7 to serve and update our volunteers

# Council Calendar

And many other items to help you plan your weekly program.

***The majority of the costs of the Scouting program, like running our camps, record keeping, materials, trainings, support staff and insurance are hidden beneath the surface, just like an iceberg. The 80 percent that isn’t visible is what keeps the rest afloat.***