

Dear Scouting Families,

As a valued member of our Scouting community, we are reaching out to provide you with an update on the national organization of the BSA's financial restructuring and how the Pine Tree Council is participating in the efforts to equitably compensate survivors and ensure the future of Scouting's vital mission. Specifically, we would like to share an update regarding local council contributions that will be used to compensate survivors.

Our Council's Contribution:

As part of this process, in the coming weeks, the Ad Hoc Committee that provides local councils a voice in the case is set to announce the specific contribution amounts expected of local councils that will fund the Trust for survivors. Our council participated in this process, and these figures were determined through a combination of information filed in the claims process and an understanding of what local councils could meaningfully contribute while ensuring Scouting can continue in their areas. Our contribution was determined to be just under a million dollars.

The Pine Tree Council is legally separate and distinct from the national organization. Our camps, properties, and local donations are controlled by our council. We share in the BSA's commitment to equitably compensate survivors of past abuse. We are carefully reviewing how we can fund our contribution to the compensation Trust while ensuring that Scouting can continue to serve youth, families, and communities in southern and central Maine for generations to come. As we first announced several months ago, we have been taking steps to fund our contribution. We will share these outcomes when they become clearer.

It is important to note that local donations through Friends of Scouting (FOS) go straight to supporting Scouting in our communities today; these donations are used in real time and are critical to maintaining local operations.

The BSA's Path Forward:

There is still much to be done to obtain approval from the Court to solicit survivors to vote for the BSA's amended Plan of Reorganization. However, the BSA is wholeheartedly committed to working toward a global resolution. The BSA intends to seek confirmation of the Plan this fall and conclude its financial restructuring around the end of this year.

This fall, we look forward to welcoming new members to our ranks and share the valuable experiences Scouting has to offer.

Thank you for your continued support of Scouting. If you have any other questions about the national organization's financial restructuring, please visit www.bsarestructuring.org.

Yours in Scouting,



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