

2019 PRIDE POINTS AND SERVICES



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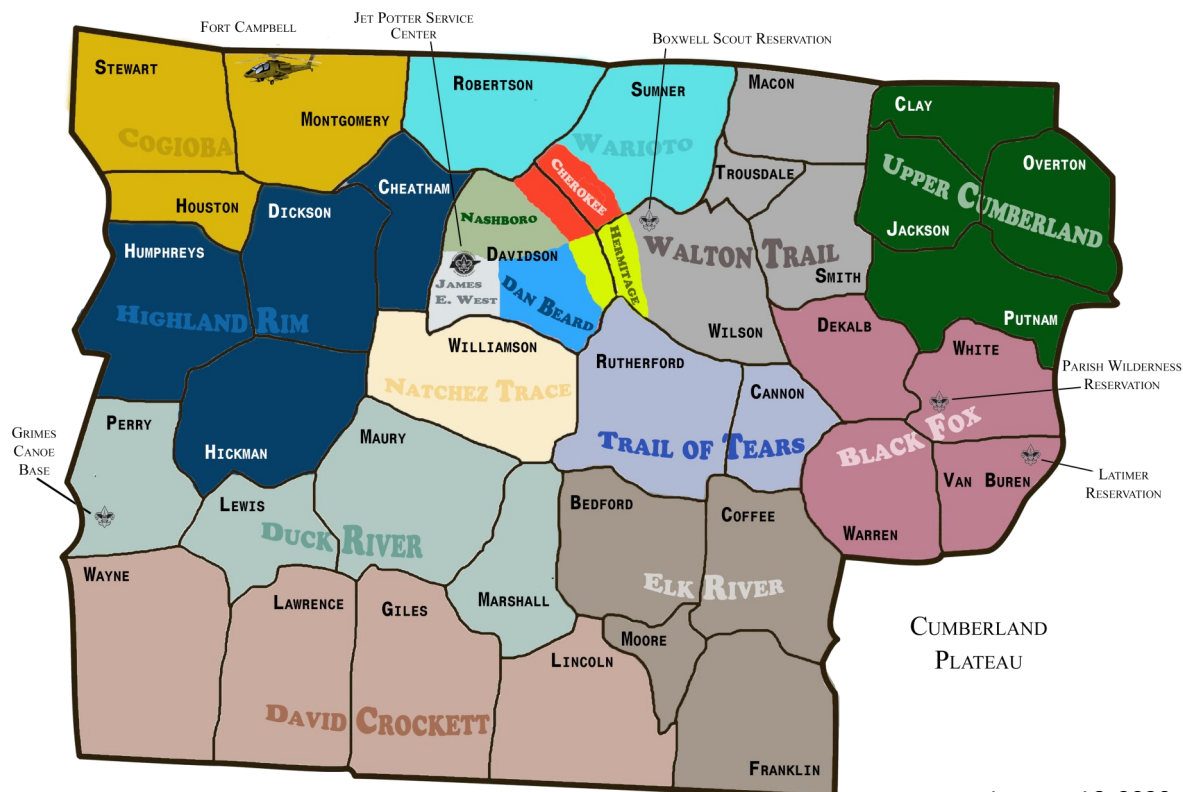
The mission of the **Middle Tennessee Council, Boy Scouts of America (MTC, BSA)** is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values found in the Scout Oath & Law.

MTC, BSA is responsible for ensuring the success of Scouting programs in 37 Tennessee counties and Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

The MTC, BSA offers five viable and unique Scouting programs for youth ages 6-21:

- ♦ **Cub Scouting** - coeducational, grades Kindergarten thru 5 or ages 6-10 years **(12,115 youth)**
- ♦ **Scouts BSA** - youth in grades 6 thru 12 or ages 11-18 years in single gender units **(4,888 youth)**
- ♦ **STEM Scouts** - coeducational, grades 3 thru 12 or ages 8-18 years **(746 youth)**
- ♦ **Venturing** - coeducational, between ages 14 and 21 **(436 youth)**
- ♦ **Exploring** - coeducational, between ages 14 and 21 **(455 youth)**

Each of these programs use proven and tested methods of youth development with a foundation of leadership, community service, self reliance and a duty to God and Country.



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Scouting Has a Positive Impact on the Youth of Tennessee: The MTC, BSA youth membership is at **18,640**, which is a 24% membership increase since 2015.

Scouting Programs are Neighborhood Centered Led by Trained Adult Volunteer Mentors: **661** Cub Scout Packs, Scouts BSA Troops, STEM Scout Labs, Explorer Posts and Venture Crews chartered to churches and community organizations. **5,355** registered volunteers serve as leaders and positive role models for Scouts. Every volunteer leader must be **youth protection trained**.

Eagle Scout, the Highest Rank in Scouting: **359** MTC, BSA Scouts BSA earned the prestigious Eagle rank in 2019. Annually, seven in every 100 Scouts BSA in the MTC, BSA earn this rank, beating the National average of 4%. Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts earned **10,445 Rank Advancements**; a **61%** rank advancement rate.

Four Camps Available for Scouting Programs: MTC, BSA owns and operates four camping facilities. Each camp provides a different outdoor experience, but all offer opportunities for Scouts and families to explore, learn, have fun and make memories that will last a lifetime. **Parish Reservation** at Rock Island

Grimes Canoe Base on the Buffalo River

Boxwell Scout Reservation on Old Hickory Lake

Latimer Reservation on Cumberland Plateau.

A \$12 million capital campaign is underway for renovation, replacement and maintenance of key facilities at Boxwell Reservation. Just under \$6 million had been raised as of December 31, 2019.

746 STEM Scouts in 56 Different Labs: MTC, BSA completed its fifth year with the STEM program. The program is designed to teach Scouting values and leadership to youth through Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. **18 STEM Labs have been organized in the Scoutreach emphasis area to provide STEM opportunities to 303 underserved youth.**

Special Assistance: The Council's Special Assistance program makes Scouting possible to all current and potential members in the form of need-based financial assistance. In 2019, more than **2,060** youth and **168** adults received some type of assistance totaling to **\$148,958** that helped them to participate in Scouting. **For 2020, \$171,000 has been budgeted for Special Assistance.**

Scoutreach Initiative: MTC, BSA's outreach to serve youth of all cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds from inner-city Davidson County. Scoutreach aims to keep at-risk children engaged in programs that add value to their lives, by teaching them leadership, life and job skills. The Council invested more than **\$362,254** towards this initiative serving **1,933 Scoutreach youth.**

Council Camping Programs: In 2019, **3,253** Middle Tennessee Scouts BSA attended a week long Summer Camp, Winter Camp or BSA High Adventure Base. Scouts earned **11,876 Merit Badges** as they learned skills, sports, crafts, science, trades, business, and explored future careers that reflect their budding interests. **7,840** Cub Scouts and their families participated in a MTC, BSA overnight camp or Day Camp. These numbers do not include individual Pack and Troop outings.

Service to the Community: Scouts and leaders recorded more than **56,098 hours of service** annually in projects at churches, schools, and other local nonprofit organizations. Based on 2018 Bureau of Labor Statistics data for the State of Tennessee @ \$22.67/ volunteer hour, those service hours translate into more than a **\$1.27 million investment** in local communities.

Council Budget: In 2019, the council had an annual budget of \$6.5 million. 82% of the council's income was used for program services, 18% for management and fundraising support. Successful Friends of Scouting (FOS) Campaign in 2019 that accounted for 40.2% of the revenue, Camping and Activities: 26%, Scout Shop, Product Sales and other: 18.7%, Special Events and Investment Income: 13.7% and United Way: 1.4%.

Debt Free and a Balanced Budget: MTC, BSA is debt free, has a balanced budget each year and receives no government funding.

