

2005 Highlights

Great Salt Lake Council

ACHIEVED QUALITY COUNCIL AWARD

CAMP:

- Operated 12 summer camps with outstanding program success and attendance of 23,830

NATIONAL JAMBOREE:

- America's largest contingent of 742 Scouts and 88 outstanding leaders

MEMBERSHIP:

- Total 75,449 youth (+3.2%) and 5,264 units (+2.4%)
- Cub Scouts 22,369 youth 1,401 packs
- Boy Scouts 20,223 youth 1,440 troops
- Varsity Scouts 10,586 youth 1,236 teams
- Venturers 10,919 youth 1,150 crews
- LFL/Exploring 11,246 youth 32 groups/posts
- Rechartered units @ 97.0% (91.5% National standard)
- Highest Traditional Membership of 310 councils in the USA
- #4 in Total Membership after New York, Houston, and Washington D.C.
- Among America's 24 largest councils, #2 in total membership growth
- Retention rate of 82.8% was the highest in the country vs 70.0 National standard
- Total BSA youth density 49.5% vs. 15.5 National standard
- Created Scoutreach division with director

QUALITY DISTRICTS:

- 86.4% of Traditional Quality Districts vs. 50.0% National standard
- 20/23 Quality Districts, 2/3 Quality Service Areas and a Quality Learning for Life Division

SERVICE:

- 3,283 Scouts achieved Eagle Scout rank, an increase of 7.1% over 2004 and accounting for 6.7% of all Eagle Awards in the United States in 2005

FINANCE:

- Secured \$2.8 million in outright and deferred endowment gifts
- 2005 Friends of Scouting was over goal by February. As of December 31, 2005, 94.5% of 2006 Friends of Scouting goal has been raised
- In fiscal operations, the council received a "clean" audit for 2004, added a CPA as our Chief Financial Officer, and ended 2005 with a financial surplus

COUNCIL NEEDS:

- Increase committee members per district from 16.7 to 26.0 National standard
- Decrease units per unit commissioner from 6.4 to 4.0 National standard
- Maintain traditional youth and unit growth
- Maintain National standard on percentage of direct contact leaders trained
- Increase fundraising performance and achieve successful capital campaign
- Increase membership growth across the total community
- Property acquisitions and development