

# The “True” Cost of Scouting “The Iceberg Analogy”

What you see above the water is only about 20% of the cost of providing Scouting to a youth.

Such as: Books, Uniforms, Boy’s Life, Equipment, Registration, Activity Fees, Meeting Place Costs, etc.



**But there is a whole lot more below the waterline!**

## **Volunteer and Staff Training**

Training for more than 4,000 volunteer leaders every year.

## **“Needy” Youth Scholarships**

The council provides camping and membership scholarships for “needy” youth so that no youth is denied a Scouting program due to financial reasons.

## **Insurance Coverage**

General liability to protect our volunteers, staff, members and

## **Reference Publications and Resources**

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

## **Camp Equipment**

Tents, cooking equipment, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement and repair, and upkeep of your council camps – Lone Tree Scout Reservation and Wah-Tut-Ca.

## **Camp Promotion**

For the Boy Scout Summer Camp, Day Camp, Family Camps and Youth Leader Training programs.

## **Recognitions**

For leaders who attend training, volunteers that conduct special projects and help out in many roles throughout Scouting.

## **National Charter Fees**

For every Scouting youth, leader, and unit.

## **Administrative Needs**

Postage, computers and link-up to the National Computer System, copy machines, folding machines, print shop.

## **Service Center**

Utilities, insurance, repairs and care for our headquarters, and the inventory in the Service Center Scout Shop

## **Audio Visual Supplies**

Used in training and camping support.

## **Support Staff**

For registration, typing publications, and program support.

## **Postage**

Mailings to leaders, parents, and youth members.

## **Council Website/Online Registrations**

Go online to [www.yccbsa.org](http://www.yccbsa.org) to learn more about our council and its program

## **Professional Staff**

Our full-time staff who work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fund-raising programs, conduct trainings, administer the membership recruitment campaigns, provide counseling and advice for your district, manage our camps, and plan the council and district youth programs.

## **Unit Program Calendar**

The development and coordination of the yearly Scouting calendar of events.

And many other items provided to help you plan your weekly programs.

The majority of the costs (**80%**) of the Scouting program, like running our camps, record-keeping, supplies, training programs, support staff and insurance are hidden beneath the surface, just like an iceberg. The eighty percent that isn’t visible is what keeps the rest afloat.