

Mission

The mission of the Dan Beard Council is to prepare more than 30,000 youth and adults in the Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;



To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight. **Scout Law**

A Scout

is: Trustworthy Loyal Helpful Friendly Courteous Kind Obedient Cheerful Thrifty Brave Clean Reverent

General Contact Information

Dan Beard Council, Boy Scouts of America 10078 Reading Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45241

[Click here](#) for a driving map to the Scout Achievement Center.

Council Service Center

Contact the Service Center for all your questions about Scouting programs and how to join.

Phone: (513) 577-7700

Fax: (513) 577-7738

For direct staff and general question contact information, please visit the [Contact Us](#) page.

Scout Store

Contact the Scout Store for your questions about uniforms, gear, or Scouting merchandise.

Phone: (513) 961-0500

Email: danbeardscoutshop@scouting.org

Hours of Operation

[Please click here for Holiday hours of operation](#)

The hours of operation for the Dan Beard Scout Achievement Center and Scout Store are as follows:

Monday	8:30 am	to	6:00 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am	to	6:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am	to	8:00 pm
Thursday	8:30 am	to	8:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am	to	6:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am	to	3:00 pm
Sunday	Closed		

About the Dan Beard Council

The Dan Beard Council is the administrative body of the the [Boy Scouts of America](#) in the Greater Cincinnati area. With a geographic area of 12 counties in Southwestern Ohio and Northern Kentucky and an average annual membership of 33,000 youth, the Dan Beard Council is one of the larger metropolitan councils in the country and the largest youth organization in the Cincinnati area. The council administers the Scouting program through 8 districts, providing volunteer support, training, program opportunities, and administrative services such as membership and advancement records, new unit development, and unit fundraising opportunities in the form of the annual

[popcorn sale](#)

. Hundreds of Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venturing Crews, Varsity Teams, Explorer Posts, and Learning for Life groups make up the membership of the council.



A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the council operations are completely funded by the Friends of Scouting annual giving campaign, corporate sponsorships, the popcorn sale, activity revenue, and the [United Way](#) . Funding is used for program delivery in the form of camp operations, the Scout Achievement Center, professional and support staff, and the many Scouting events held throughout the council each year.

The Dan Beard Council is chartered through the Boy Scouts of America annually. Thanks to the generosity and support of the people and businesses of the Greater Cincinnati area, the council has a fiscally sound operation that proves the council to be good stewards of its [roots](#) that began in 1913 and strong providers for the future of the Scouting movement in our area.

The council Board of Directors is headed by the council president and is made up of annually elected volunteer community leaders. The board establishes the council program and carries out the resolutions, policies, and activities of the council. Thomas Dugger, the Scout Executive, manages the council operations through a staff of 29 professionals and 18 support staff. The [Dan Beard Scout Shop](#) provides Scouting uniforms, gear, and merchandise to support unit programs.

Four [camp properties](#) are operated by the council including Camp Friedlander, Camp Craig,

Cub World, and Camp Michaels. Each year, over 5000 youth will participate in summer camp programs and another 20,000 will enjoy the camps in various seasonal events and unit outings.

Often when people refer to the "Council" they aren't quite sure who exactly they may be referring to. The "Council" is not merely the Board of Directors, the professional staff, or the council-level volunteers that give leadership to its many program; in actuality, the "Council" includes every registered youth, leader, and volunteer. With a long history of delivering the promise of the values of the Scout Oath and Law, we can all be justly proud to call ourselves members of the Dan Beard Council.



Scout Achievement Center

The [Scout Achievement Center](#) opened in July, 2009, and has been quickly recognized as the premier Scouting volunteer training facility and council service center in the nation. As a silver level [LEED](#) certified building, the facility was constructed and operates according to green standards and is an example of the conservation and ecologically-sound teachings of the Scouting program. The SAC serves as a great home for Scouting and we invite you to visit and take a tour or have a unit meeting.

[Click here](#)

to learn more about the SAC.

The well-stocked [Scout Shop](#) offers a great selection and is open during convenient hours for the purchase of books, advancements and awards. Uniforms and camping equipment are also stocked in the Scout Shop to meet your unit's needs.