

## What is a Short and Snappy?



How long do they take?

- 10 – 15 minutes

Who does the training?

- Council representative
- Service Unit Representative
- Troop Leader

When do they happen?

- Service Unit Meetings,
- Troop Meetings
  - Virtual or In-Person

What do we need?

- Short and Snappy Outline
- FAQ Handout
- Laptop, projector, wifi
- VTK Login

**Things to remember**

- Stay within your allotted time
- If you do not know the answer, see the correct information from the appropriate support person

**Questions? Comments**

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**Short and Snappy**  
Learning Opportunities for Volunteers

**Teen Mentoring Awards**  
10 minutes

**Introduction: Each of these awards help girls pursue the Girl Scout Leadership Experience**



**Getting Started:** The forms you will need to get any of the mentoring awards are attached below

[Teen Mentor Award Request Form](#)  
[Girl and Guardian Agreement Form](#)

**Awards:** Leader in Action, PA Pin, All-level Service to Girl Scouting Bar, CIT Pin, CIT II Pin

By earning these awards, you can deepen your understanding of what leadership development means and get excited about guiding others

# Mentoring

As a Girl Scout mentor, you gain experience by sharing skills, testing knowledge, and trying out new leadership roles. The younger girls you mentor get a chance to be with and learn from you.

As you work directly with younger girls you serve as a champion who can help raise awareness of GS aim to deliver fun with purpose.

The more your skills develop from the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, the more you will want to encourage younger girls to think of themselves as leaders as well.

# Leadership vs Community Service

Leadership Hours: plan and direct your own activity

Community Service: participate and help lead activities that have been planned for you

## Leadership in Action Award



Girl Scout Cadette LIA (Leadership in Action) Award Patch. This award is for mentoring Girl Scout Brownies through the any of the three leadership journeys.

Requirements: Must complete 6<sup>th</sup> grade

## Program Aide Pin

Cadettes receive their Program Aide award by earning one LiA award, completing council-designed leadership course training, and working directly with younger girls (over six sessions in addition to the one done for the LiA).

Requirements: Must complete council PA training, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade



## Service to Girl Scouting Bar Cadette, Senior, Ambassador



The Service to Girl Scouting Bar is earned by volunteering at least 20 hours to the Girl Scout organization, at the troop, SU, Association or council level.

A girl can volunteer at a special event for younger girls, be an office assistant for their council or service unit or help with special projects. Girls track their own hours, and the leader approves and awards the pin.

Requirements: Cadette must complete 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
Senior must complete 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
Ambassador must complete 10<sup>th</sup> grade

# Counselor in Training Pin (I and II)

CIT Pin: Seniors and Ambassadors mentor young girls in a camp setting as they build skills toward becoming a camp counselor. To earn this award, Girl Scouts complete a leadership course designed by the council on outdoor experiences and work with younger girls over the course of a camp session.

CIT II Pin: Ambassadors earn this award by working with younger girls over the course of at least one camp session while focused on increasing their skills in one specific area--such as riding instruction, lifeguarding, or the arts.

Requirements: must receive CIT Pin first

