

Boy Scout Troop 794 Mission Hills Church 620 SouthPark Drive Littleton, CO 80120 www.bsatroop794.org

Assistance Program Guidelines

- 1. Like the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 794 strongly believes "no youth shall be denied a program experience because of lack of funds." However, every effort must also be made by applicants to "earn their own way."
- 2. Troop 794 will maintain an Assistance Program fund to assist boys with the costs associated with scouting. The program will be funded through a combination of voluntary donations from Troop members when renewing/paying dues and fundraising activities.
- 3. In order to apply for or receive assistance from the Troop 794, the scout:
 - Must apply to the Denver Area Council (DAC) <u>Scholarship Program</u> for aid <u>prior to</u> applying through the troop. (DAC will give up to 25% for designated activities).
 - Must be active in the troop on a regular basis. Active means attending troop meetings and participating in outings during the year. It is preferred if the parent(s) are also active in the troop as well.
 - Must participate in the primary designated Troop fundraising activities, particularly popcorn sales. Scout should make an effort to sell to people outside the scout's family.
 - Should be able to demonstrate a financial need. (May be done privately with the Treasurer or Committee Chairman.)
- 4. Troop 794 Assistance Program funds may be awarded after other avenues of funding have been explored. The total combined assistance (Denver Area Council, Fundraising, Troop 794 assistance) may not exceed the cost of the event or dues to be covered.
- 5. Scouts or their parents must complete the Troop 794 Assistance Program Application to apply for assistance funds.
- 6. The Troop 794 Assistance Program may be use to cover expenses for minimal need, moderate need or high need situations, not to exceed 25% of the total expense.

		Min	Mod	High
•	Dues	\$15	\$30	\$60
•	Summer Camp (in- or out-of-district)	\$25	\$50	\$75
•	High Adventure Camps (3 or more nights)	\$25	\$50	\$75

- 7. Funds will be available on a first-come-first-served basis and disbursements shall not exceed dollars available in the fund. In 2011 the program will be funded through the general Troop account and beginning in 2012 through voluntary donations and fundraising activities.
- 8. Exception requests must be reviewed by the Treasurer or Committee Chairman and approved by the Troop committee at a regularly scheduled meeting.