



## welcome

Sacramento's Troop One started in 1916 and bills itself as "**the Oldest Troop West of the Rockies.**" We've been continuously operating in California's capitol city for over 100 years.

The troop membership consists of 50-70 Scouts and over 100 parents and alumni.

Troop One works hard to provide the best scouting experience available. Our activities include:

- **Weekly troop and patrol meetings** where boys learn Scouting skills
- **Monthly weekend outings** at local, state, and national parks
- A week at **Troop One's off-the-grid camp, Camp Cody**, high in the Sierra Nevada (7250')

During these activities, Scouts learn the skills needed to advance along the trail to Eagle Scout.

Troop One is a boy-run troop. **Older Scouts learn to be leaders** as they conduct meetings, direct outings, and mentor the new boys in learning Scout skills.

One of Troop One's strengths is our wide circle of committed adult volunteers who ensure safety and offer guidance. We encourage our adults to get trained and require that all pass background checks and adhere to BSA Youth Protection guidelines before they can volunteer.



## TROOP one

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## HOW TO join

Boys who want to join must attend three troop meetings (held online during COVID-19). A parent must attend at least one Parent Committee meeting (held online during COVID-19). Be sure to talk to the Recruitment Chair so your attendance will be recorded.

After that, connect with the Recruitment Chair to receive applications and membership packets, and we'll help you from there.

## uniform

Troop One Scouts wear the following items:

- Short-sleeved brown Scouts BSA shirt
- Short-sleeved green Troop One shirt
- Dark green shoulder loops & purple World Crest
- Official Scouts BSA shorts
- Scouts BSA socks

Troop One provides every new Scout with a Troop One neckerchief, a Troop One shoulder patch, and a patrol patch. **Troop One does not wear the Golden Empire Council shoulder patch, a troop number patch, or the BSA hat.**

During their first year at Camp Cody, Scouts will make a **leather belt** for their uniform. Most Scouts like to make their own neckerchief slide.

Each Scout should have a copy of Scouts BSA's Scout Handbook to record advancements and learn about scouting.

New uniforms are sold at the **River City Scout Shop (649-1800)**. Used shirts, shorts, and other equipment are available from Troop One's clothes closet. Troop One also sells green shirts and rainjackets with our logo.

## parent committee

The Parent Committee consists of parents and other adult volunteers. Committee members plan the annual Crab Feed fundraiser, arrange transportation, manage the troop's budget and paperwork, and teach merit badge classes.

Support of the troop's activities by parents is essential. At least one parent of each Scout must register as a committee member and attend committee meetings regularly. All parents are encouraged, and expected, to help volunteer for the troop, while letting their Scouts lead their program.

## eligibility

Boys can participate in Troop One if they're between the ages of 11 and 18. All are welcome, regardless of background or ability.

Boys can join at age 10 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> if they have completed the fifth grade OR have earned their Arrow of Light in Cub Scouts.

## finances



- Annual registration for one Scout and one adult (each January): \$132 (\$198 for two Scouts and one adult)
- Expenses for weekend outings each month: \$10-40 for gas, admissions, and food. (**Troop One pays half of each Scout's outing fees!**)
- Nine days at Camp Cody (each July): \$225 per Scout

Troop One's primary fundraiser is its annual Crab Feed (postponed until 2022), while some Scouts also choose to sell camp cards. **The troop pays a portion of every Scouts' outing and council fees.** Scholarships are also available.

## activities

Troop One meets at the First United Methodist Church at 21st and J Street. **Meetings are on most Mondays, 7:00–8:00 PM.** (Patrols meet separately for patrol meetings.)

**\*\*\*Due to COVID-19, all meetings and outings are being held virtually until further notice. Contact Assistant Scoutmaster Terry Wilson for information on how to join.\*\*\***

**Parent Committee meetings** are usually at 7:00 PM at the church on the first Monday of each month.

Each month we have a **weekend outing**, where we enjoy camping and other outdoor activities. Past outings included canoeing down the American River, backpacking through the Grand Canyon, and camping amongst redwoods on the coast. (Outings are all online during COVID-19.)

About once a month, Troop One Scouts **volunteer in the community**. Past Scout-led projects included planting trees, building duck nesting boxes, and building benches for schools.

## questions?

Attend a troop meeting and speak to a Parent Committee member. Visit our website at **[www.troop-1.com/join-troop-1](http://www.troop-1.com/join-troop-1)** or contact Terry Wilson, Recruitment Chair, at 396-4819 or [recruitment.troop1@gmail.com](mailto:recruitment.troop1@gmail.com).

