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### Your gift keeps giving years from now



Your gift of a James E. West Fellowship at any of the following levels strengthens Scouting in Central Texas and insures its long-term success by providing an ongoing source of revenue for re-investment into our council's camping properties and unit support structure:

\$1,000-\$4,999 Bronze Level

\$5,000-\$9,999 Silver Level

\$10,000-\$14,999 Gold Level

\$15,000+ Diamond Level

Donors may make cumulative gifts to reach Silver, Gold, and Diamond Levels.

Please return this form to:

Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America Attn: James E. West Fellowship 12500 North IH 35 Austin, TX 78753

Questions? Please call 512-617-8621

# James E. West Fellowship

Your gift to future generations of Scouts in Central Texas





# The gift you give now serves Scouts in Central Texas for decades to come

#### Who was James E. West?

James E. West was the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America. His more than 30 years of energy and leadership played a key role in developing the momentum that resulted in Scouting's success as one of the most enduring and impactful youth-serving programs in our nation's history.



#### What is the James E. West Fellowship?

The James E. West Fellowship Award is a recognition authorized by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and presented by the Capitol Area Council to those who give \$1,000 or more to our council's endowment fund through a James E. West Fellowship. Such contributions are in addition to, not instead of, the donor's annual gift to the Friends of Scouting or similar fundraising campaign.



## How does your gift serve Scouting?

Your gift will be invested in our council's endowment fund, with every penny benefiting local Scouting programs in Central Texas. Our endowment assets are invested in a disciplined manner by a knowledgable committee of our council's Executive Board members and investment/finance professionals from the community.

The endowment is a crucial part of how our council funds the Scouting program each year. The endowment has provided a stable, permanent source of income since its inception in 1973. Our council never spends the corpus, or "seed money", of the endowment - only a percentage of its earnings. In this way, gifts to our council's endowment truly become an everlasting legacy in support of local Scouting.

Total support from endowment 2015-2019

\$425,087

from endowment

Average annual support

\$2,125,435 \$425,087 Operating (total) \$425,087

\$1,371,924 Capital (total) \$274,384 Capital (avg/yr)

Over the past five years, endowment earnings have provided a total of \$2.7 million in funding to our council's operating and capital budgets. This helped build the new aquatics complex at Lost Pines, launched new STEM programs, make improvements to Cub World at Camp Tom Wooten and Smilin V Scout Ranch, and more.

#### Who may become a West Fellow?

Individuals may make a qualifying contribution on their own or in honor of or in memorial to another person or organization. Past honorees include Eagle Scouts, departed loved ones, or anyone who has demonstrated West's passion for youth development.



# How is a West Fellow recognized?

The James E. West Fellowship is recognized with a personalized 8"x10" certificate, a distinctive lapel pin, and an embroidered square knot award that may be worn on a BSA field uniform. The recognition is immediate and is presented after a donor pledges his or her Fellowship gift. While we prefer gifts paid in full immediately, donors may choose to pay over a three year period.

