The TRUE cost of Scouting is like an iceberg!

There's more than what you see above the water

Meeting Costs
BSA Registration
Camp Fees
Equipment



Uniforms
Scout Life
Unit Dues
Activity Fees

Here's what isn't visible...

Camps

Maintenance and upkeep at council properties: Camp Tom Wooten, Lost Pines Scout Reservation, Griffith League Scout Ranch, Smilin V Scout Ranch, Camp Green Dickson, Camp Alma McHenry, Roy D. Rivers Wilderness Camp.

Camp Equipment

Tent platforms, camp kitchen, dining hall, vehicles, boats, firearms, building and equipment repairs and replacement.

Camp Rangers

To keep our beautiful properties open year-round and meeting or exceeding BSA national standards.

Recruiting Resources

Flyers/posters/yard signs, school district vendor fees, advertising, postage and printing.

Customer Service Resources

Staff for registration, front desk, Scout Shop, Eagle Scout processing, popcorn sale, etc.

Insurance

Accident and sickness policy covering volunteers, Scouts, and Scouting parents, and subsidized by our council.

Recognitions

For leaders who attend training or volunteer for special projects, challenge coin for Eagle Scout class, council volunteer awards, etc.

Administrative Resources

Equipment at council service center and camps during programs and training, supplies for volunteer training courses, postage and printing.

Youth Protection Resources

Criminal background checks of adult leaders and staff, investigating and resolving issues within units, liaising with law enforcement.

Staff Resources

Help creating new Scouting units, counseling existing units/leaders, fundraising, internal communication, media relations

The majority of Scouting program costs are hidden "beneath the surface." <u>Our council invests an average of \$250 per Scout to cover these costs.</u> Other councils have decided to unilaterally impose a required "program fee" to cover these costs - *but we are not.* Our council leadership believes if you value the program, you will choose to support it.