



2010 Property Task Group Summary of Recommendations

Recommendations for Future Decision Making on Council Property

Values Statement on Camp Program Sites

Girl Scout council outdoor program sites provide opportunities for girls to discover, connect, and take action out-of-doors in ways that build courage, confidence, and character. Experiences in the outdoors help develop girls' understanding and curiosity about the natural world and develop girl leaders with greater environmental understanding and the ability to truly make a difference for future generations.

Guiding Principles for Decision-Making on Property

"Girl Scouts of Western Ohio property will be managed to:

- ◆ Support high quality Girl Scout program experiences;
- ◆ Ensure the protection and safety of Girl Scouts;
- ◆ Promote environmental stewardship;
- ◆ Maintain fiscal efficiency, maximizing program benefit for every council investment;
- ◆ Minimize liability to Girl Scouts of Western Ohio;
- ◆ Protect the property's future value and minimize future liability
- ◆ Maximize access for members, including ensuring that members are given priority for camp.

Property Criteria for Decision-Making

Property planning decisions will be made based on balancing:

- ◆ Our commitment to providing a safe, high quality program experience for girls that delivers on the council Ends;
- ◆ Consideration of the unique contribution of program experiences in the outdoors;
- ◆ Investment in activities that attract a sufficient number of girls, including providing progression for girls for whom this is a specialized interest.
- ◆ The long-term and annual investment of capital and operating funds required to offer this program experience.

Communication

Ensure regular communication with stakeholders throughout property review and decision-making process to establish transparency about purpose, process, and findings of property studies and decisions.

Recommendation to Charter Property Task Group to Complete the Following:

Implement Process for Property Planning and Review (Projected Timeframe – One Year)

1. Data Gathering Process
2. Review and organize available data:
3. Site Visits
4. Analysis
5. Make Recommendations

Produce Task Group Recommendations (based on completion of process)

Based on priority order and council strategic and program goals:

- A. Identify priority projects to be addressed.
- B. Identify potential future camp development projects.
- C. Identify camps in which no development is recommended
- D. Identify any camps that are not recommended for continued use by Girl Scouts of Western Ohio.