



Blue Ridge Council, BSA

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Fact Sheet

Who we are: The Blue Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America is a local Boy Scout Council serving 10,000 Scouting Families in the Upstate of South Carolina. We have a tradition of providing a quality scouting program that provides youth with essentials for growing up in our society: mentoring, lifelong learning, faith traditions, serving others, healthy living, and building character.

What we do: Our aim at the Blue Ridge Council is to create an atmosphere for our Scouts which is conducive to learning new skills, instilling values, improving self-confidence and strengthening bonds between family and friends. The Blue Ridge Council provides the following Scouting programs:

Cub Scouts: is a year-round program for boys ages 6-10 and their families. The program offers fun and challenging activities that promote character, development and physical fitness.

Boy Scouts: is an outdoor program designed to develop character, citizenship, leadership and fitness for young men ages 11- 17.

Venturing: is a high adventure, youth development, program for young men and women, ages 14-20.

Exploring: is a career education program for young men and women ages 14- 20.

Where we do it: The Blue Ridge Council serves eight counties in the Upstate of South Carolina: Abbeville, Anderson, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry, Oconee and Pickens

The Upstate of South Carolina has blessed us with a growing population, a favorable business climate, and a receptive attitude toward Scouting.

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When we do it: The Blue Ridge Council, BSA provides a year-round scouting program. The Blue Ridge Council also has year-round events to benefit our Scouting program.

How we do it: At Camp Old Indian or Cub Scout Day Camp, Scouts are provided with an adventure. Scouts get to hike, camp, canoe, fish, shoot bebe guns and practice archery. They also learn how to be a leader, improve their self-confidence, the importance of fitness and how to be a good friend.

By selling Popcorn and Camp Cards, Scouts can earn their own way to summer camp. They also learn skills like organization, money management, how to talk to adults, and how to set goals.

By doing experiments like building race cars and launching rockets, Scouts learn about science, math, engineering and technology. Scouting provides a hands on learning experience that is different from the classroom.

Eagle Scout projects, Scouting for Food, and other community service projects, teaches Scouts how to be a good citizen, and to always help others, no matter what.

Why we do it: The Blue Ridge Council strives to build the future leaders of this country. The Boy Scouts of America believes, and with over a century of experience knows, that helping youth is a key to building a more conscientious, responsible and productive society. Scouting provides skills that help young men overcome obstacles and challenges with courage and character throughout their lives.

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