Girl Scout Product Program Credit Uses
For Credits Expiring September 15, 2021

Credit Uses
Congratulations! You’ve worked hard to earn Program Credits for your participation in a Girl Scout Product program! There are lots of ways to use it. You can check your balance at any time by visiting https://ecardsystems.com/cardbalance.html and entering your card number.

Please read this entire document before spending your Program Credit. Please note that Program Credit uses are subject to change.

Cookie and Nut Credits, Pathway and Adventure Pass Cards are an individual award acknowledging your hard work and entrepreneurial success. Throughout the Product Program, you practiced five skills – goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills and business ethics – and you decided how to run your business. These Product Programs are girl-powered, and girls make the decision about how they want to be rewarded for all that great effort. Now it's up to you to decide how to use your Program Credits! These Program Credits are designed for girls so they can experience the empowerment of deciding how to use their recognitions without pressure from anyone else. We have listed all the ways to redeem your Program Credit in this letter. Also included are resources on where to find applicable forms and websites to help you use the Program Credits.

Types of Program Credits available

**Nut Program Credits**– Earned by girl members during participation in the Fall Product Program for selling candies, nuts and magazines.

**Cookie Program Credits**– Earned by girl members during participation in the Cookie Product Program selling iconic Girl Scout Cookies.

**Adventure Card**– Earned by members participating in the Cookie Product Program for sales exceeding 1000 boxes. Card can be used in increments over multiple eligible activities. For use only with troop/patrol travel, camp (day and overnight) and Destination travel.

**Pathway Cards**– Earned by Juliette girls who have participated in either Product Program as an Juliette.

*Troop/Patrol Travel is when girl members plan and execute travel in a troop or travel patrol setting requiring group planning and collaboration.

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The Many Ways to Use Your Credit/Cards

**Renew your girl's membership:** Renew your girls membership by logging into your My GS Member Profile. Select ‘Renew’ next to your girl’s name and click Continue, stopping at the Payment screen. Then simply email answers@girlscoutsosw.org with the card number, name of the girl being registered, troop number, and the girl's date of birth. We will process your payment and finish your membership renewal! If your Program Credits don’t cover the full fee, follow up your email with a call to GSOSW at (503) 977-6800 to pay the difference with a credit card. Please remember that Program Credits can only be used to renew girl memberships.

**GSUSA Destinations:** Girls selected for GSUSA Destination events can submit a form #238 for payment towards their balance. Be sure to include your statement/invoice/receipt for the destination reservation.
**Troop/patrol travel:** Troops and patrols taking an approved trip can use Program Credits towards the expenses. To redeem submit form #238. Be sure to include the travel approval email or an approved copy of your travel paperwork with your transfer submission. *Program Credits cannot be used toward individual girl travel, only troop/patrol travel.

**GSOSW overnight camp fees:** Online submission of Program Credits are the fastest and most accurate way to apply payment. Credits cannot be used by adults for Core Camp or for adults to meet ratio requirements. Only exceptions are for ‘She and Me’ or ‘Me and My Guy’ overnight camp programs. Please review [Overnight Camp Nut Credit Submission Instructions](#) for instructions on submitting Program Credits online available through our website and through UltraCamp. Program Credits can be used at the Camp Trading Post by making a deposit before camp, or use it at the trading post on last day. (Campers are not permitted to take cards to camp)

**GSOSW day camp fees:** Check with your day camp registrar for camp-specific procedures. Adults and camp participants who are unable to register for Girl Scout membership (young siblings, male siblings, etc.) to attend a day camp cannot use Program Credits to pay to attend day camp. The only exception to this is a Mother/Daughter or Father/Daughter day camp in which the girl would not be able to attend without their own parent or guardian chaperone.

**GSOSW sponsored activities promoted in our Program Guides and on our website:** Review the [Program Guide](#) mailed to your home in Spring and Fall or online to see which activities are available to your girl. Make your reservation as indicated, and follow the instructions for seeking reimbursement from Program Credits.

**Girl Scout shop purchases:** Bring your Program Credits to a GSOSW shop or our traveling bus! If you cannot come to one of the Girl Scout council shops in person, you may use your Program Credits for a phone-in order or email to shop@girlscoutsosw.org. Check out some of our fun stuff at [https://www.girlscoutsosw.org/en/our-council/web-to-case/girl-scout-shops.html](https://www.girlscoutsosw.org/en/our-council/web-to-case/girl-scout-shops.html). Your leader or other trusted adult may take your card to make purchases at the shop for you.

**Use Program Credits towards Girl Scout Gold Award projects!** Girls can use Program Credits towards their Gold Award project. Girls submit for #401 to the GSOSW highest award program specialist per form instructions for reimbursement of expenses. Applies only to Girl Scout Gold Award.

**Service unit-sponsored events:** Check with your service unit travel coordinator (TC) for procedures on submitting Program Credits as payment.

### Important Restrictions and Guidelines

- **Don’t forget! Cookie/Nut Program Credits and Adventure Pass Cards from this year expire on September 15, 2021!**
- Credit sharing between Girl Scout siblings is allowed, but handwritten, signed permission by the girl it was issued to is required acknowledging that the cardholder wants to share their Program Credit with their sibling and for which activity. The sibling must be a registered member of Girl Scouts. Be sure to submit this note whenever redeeming the Program Credit.
- In rare circumstances, you may wish to share your Credit with a fellow Girl Scout. In that case, a hand written acknowledgement will need to be submitted by you to GSOSW stating that you are aware and approve of sharing your Credit. Prior approval from GSOSW required. Email cookies@girlscoutsosw.org for inquiries.
- Program Credits can only be redeemed through GSOSW payment processing systems. Outside vendors are not capable of processing our Credits directly.
- If you need assistance in verifying card numbers or verifying card history contact cookies@girlscoutsosw.org.

### The Many Ways to Use Your Credit/Cards

Check card balances [https://ecardsystems.com/cardbalance.html](https://ecardsystems.com/cardbalance.html)

[www.girlscoutsosw.org](http://www.girlscoutsosw.org) Girl Scouts of Oregon and SW Washington website where all referenced forms can be located

[Cookie/Nut Credit Transfer Request (Form #238)](#) Required to transfer Program Credits into troop funds or to pay vendors outside of GSOSW

[Overnight Camp Cookie/Nut Credit Submission Instructions](#) Describes the process of submitting Program Credits for overnight camp on Ultracamp.

[Gold Award Project Cookie/Nut/Pathway Credit Transfer Request (Form #401)](#) Used to transfer Program Credits towards Gold Award projects.

**Thank you for your participation in the Product Program and enjoy using your Program Credits towards your Girl Scout Journey!**