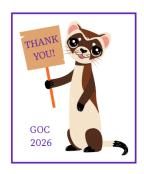
girl scouts of northern illinois



Gift of Caring Opportunity

GSNI encourages troops to deliver Gift of Caring (GOC) cookies. All Girl Scouts in the troop who sold donation cookies and/or participated in the delivery date will receive the custom GOC patch!



Entries due by Monday, April 13, 2026

Gift of Caring Opportunity Guidelines

- Contact one or more local first responder organizations (fire department, police department, etc.), military organization (VFW, American Legion, etc.), service organizations (Lion's Club, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, etc.), food pantry, essential businesses (teacher appreciation week, hospitals, doctor offices, post offices, bus drivers, etc.) or another local organization to donate cookies
 - GSNI recommends donating 1-2 cases (12-24 cookie packages) to an organization depending on the size or number of employees at an essential business. If the organization will be distributing cookies beyond their organization, such as sending military care packages, ask how many packages of cookies they would like to receive.
- At the end of the cookie program, arrange a date for Girl Scouts in the troop to deliver donated cookie packages.
- Donate cookie packages set aside by the troop during cookie booths or pick-up cookie packages from council to donate.
 - To pick-up from GSNI, email <u>cookies4you@girlscoutsni.org</u> for an appointment at your preferred cupboard. Cookies must be picked up **by appointment**, weekdays during <u>Resource Center hours</u> *Tuesday-Thursday*, *April 7-9*.
- Take photos of Girl Scouts delivering cookies.
- Submit the <u>GOC Delivery form</u> available at <u>www.girlscoutsni.org/cookieresources</u> or <u>Rallyhood</u> and follow the instructions to submit a photo (if available) with the <u>form</u>. All forms must be submitted by *Monday*, *April 13*, for Girl Scouts to receive the custom GOC patch.
 - o If a troop delivers GOC cookies to multiple organizations, a form may be submitted per organization. However, each Girl Scout will only receive one patch.
- Patches will be mailed to the contact person entered on the form in June.

Questions? Contact the Product Program Team at cookies4you@girlscoutsni.org.