MAKE YOUR INVESTMENT TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S LEADERS

LEVELS OF GIVING: (Check one)

- ☐ **$2,500** EAGLE SCOUT
- ☐ **$1,000** LIFE SCOUT
- ☐ **$750** STAR SCOUT ($63 per month)
- ☐ **$500** FIRST CLASS ($41 per month)
- ☐ **$250** TENDERFOOT ($21 per month)
- ☐ **$120** SCOUT ($10 per month) — Special Council Shoulder Patch Level
- ☐ **$100** FRIEND OF SCOUTING
- ☐ **$75** BLUE AND GOLD LEVEL
- ☐ **$50** SILVER LEVEL
- ☐ **$**_____ Other

PLEASE INVOICE ME: (Check one)

- ☐ Monthly
- ☐ Quarterly
- ☐ One Time (now)
- ☐ Payment Enclosed

PAYMENT INFORMATION: (Check one)

- ☐ Cash Enclosed $_____
- ☐ Check Enclosed $_____
  (Payable to: Revolutionary Trails Council)
- ☐ Credit Card (Circle one)
  VISA | Mastercard | Discover | American Express

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVC Code: _____

Signature: _____

ESPECIALLY PREPARED FOR:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

- ☐ I am an Eagle Scout.
- ☐ Contact me about a gift from my employer.
- ☐ I am interested in serving on a council/district committee.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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YOUR INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER

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REVOLUTIONARY TRAILS COUNCIL

YOUR INVESTMENT HELPS THE REVOLUTIONARY TRAILS COUNCIL.....

- **Own, operate and maintain 3 nationally accredited camping facilities with operating expenses in excess of $375,000 per year.**
- Generate over 20% of the revenue necessary to provide a top-quality program.
- **Keep the cost to attend summer camp reasonable. Without FOS, we would have to charge over $400 for a week of camp!**
- Provide staff support to assist your unit and our district volunteers.
- Provide training at little or no cost: Cub Scout Pow-Wow, Youth Leadership Training, University of Scouting, and much more!
- **Invest over $20,000 in camp program supplies at Camp Kingsley in 2012.**
- **Subsidize the cost of district and council activities such as klondike derbies, camporees, JAMBO, Cub Scout family camps and training. Without FOS, the attendance fees for these events would be significantly higher.**
- Provide liability insurance to every registered adult leader and charter organization.
- **Ensure that needy Scouts from EVERY community in our council have access to camp scholarships.**
- Pay its national BSA charter and service fee of over $30,000 per year.
- Provide membership recruitment materials, advancement record keeping, Scoutwire, a Scout shop and much more!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

? Wait, I already pay my $15 annual registration fee.

We realize that you pay $15 per year to be registered. However, that fee is sent directly to the BSA National Office. It is not retained by the Revolutionary Trails Council.

? I heard that our council has an endowment of $5 million. Why do they need my donation?

You are correct, our council had an endowment of $5 million prior to the recent financial crises. The endowment is our council's savings account and its use is restricted by our donors and our board meaning that we can only use the earnings on an annual basis. These earnings provide the council about 17% of its annual operating budget. It exists to ensure that we are around for another 100+ years.

As of October 2011, the endowment is worth around $4 million. Over the past few years, it has been reduced by the loss of value in the stock market, normal spending and an emergency road repair at one of our camps.

OUR THANK YOU!

★ **FREE RANK ADVANCEMENT:** If your unit participates in the 2012 Family Friends of Scouting program and achieves your unit goal, you can receive free rank advancement patches for all your Scouts from March 1 until December 31, 2012. Figuring Your Unit's Goals: Multiply the number of families in your unit by .40. Then multiply that number by $120. That number equals your unit goal, or... 10% more than the total amount of Family Friends of Scouting dollars your unit raised in 2011. Whichever is greater will be your unit's dollar goal.

★ **INDIVIDUAL DONOR RECOGNITIONS:**

Everyone who makes a gift will receive a BSA window decal.

Donors at $120.00 will receive the 2012 Friends of Scouting Shoulder Patch.

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