



Mail to:

Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines
6901 Pinecrest Road, Raleigh, NC 27613
1-919-782-3021 or 1-800-284-4475

COUNCIL WIDER OPPORTUNITY TRIP STATUS AND TROOP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this form if the **TROOP** is applying for Trip Status, planning a trip or participating in a council/area/county event for which the **TROOP** needs financial assistance. Financial assistance is available to all registered troops and is awarded based on information provided, need, and available funds. **Troops must be granted Trip Status before financial assistance can be granted. Both can be applied for at the same time.** Use black ink or type. Applications for Wider Opportunity status and funding are due on the first of every month.

Request: ☐ Wider Op Trip Status* ☐ Financial Assistance Date status given _____

* If "status" has been previously granted, please list approval date above. Troops may purchase Wider Opportunity patches upon receiving approval letter.

1. Troop Information (INCLUDE ONLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING IN THIS SPECIFIC TRIP/EVENT.)

Troop/Group # _____ Grade Level _____ County/Area _____

Number of girls _____ How many girls at each grade level? _____

Number of adults registered _____ not registered _____

Please attach a list of all participants noting Girl Scout grade level for each participant.

2. Contact Person: ☐ Troop Leader ☐ Event Director for Service Unit/Area Event

Name _____ Position _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Day Phone: () _____ Evening Phone () _____

Email Address: _____

3. Event Title or Trip Destination: _____

4. Dates of Event/Trip: _____

5. Description of Event or Trip:

Please attach additional information on a separate sheet to give an overview of the event or trip. For trips, include a daily plan that describes your program, lodging and transportation plans. Be as specific as possible. If it is an area or county event, attach the flyer announcing the event.

6. How does this event or trip enhance regular troop/group program. How were the girls involved in planning for this event or trip? What fundraising activities were used? Please use a separate sheet.

7. When did planning begin? _____

8. Program and Safety Standards:

Has *Safety-Activity Checkpoints* been read and used to plan program, including girl/adult ratio? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the "Trip/Travel Camping" section of *Safety Activity Checkpoints* been read and followed?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Does your troop or members of your group owe money to Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain. _____

10. Did your troop/group or is your troop/group currently participating in this year's Fall Product Sale? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, please explain: _____

11. Did your Troop/Group or is your Troop/Group currently participating in this year's Cookie Sale Program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, please explain. _____

12. Financial Information: Please use actual information not estimates.

a. Total cost of transportation \$ _____

b. Total cost of meals (cost per person X # of participants) \$ _____

c. Total cost of program (cost of admission, tours, etc. per person X # of participants) \$ _____

d. Cost of lodging (cost per person X # of participants) \$ _____
 e. Other costs (patches, insurance, emergency funds) + \$ _____
Total Cost for Troop/Group \$ _____

13. Cost per person (DIVIDE TOTAL COST FOR TROOP BY # OF PARTICIPANTS). \$ _____

14. Basic Funding

- A. Money saved for this trip BEFORE this current year. A. \$ _____
 B. How much did the troop/group earn from the Fall Product Sale? _____
 How much of this amount do you plan to use towards the total cost? B. \$ _____
 C. How much did the troop/group earn from the Cookie Sale Program? _____
 How much of this amount do you plan to use towards the total cost? C. \$ _____
 D. Additional fundraisers planned:

Source	Amount
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____

 How much of this amount do you plan to use towards the total cost? D. \$ _____
 E. Has the troop/group received any other source of monetary support? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If so, please describe the source: E. \$ _____
 F. How much PERSONAL money is each person expected to pay toward Basic Costs?
 Amount each GIRL will pay \$ _____ X _____ (# of girls) = \$ _____
 Amount each ADULT will pay \$ _____ X _____ (# of adults) = \$ _____
 Total amount of personal money from all girls and adults F. \$ _____
 G. Total of Basic Funding (Add A, B, C, D, E, and F) G. \$ _____

15. Amount of Financial Assistance Requested:

- H. Enter total trip cost for Troop/group (see # 12) H. \$ _____
 I. Enter Total of Basic Funding (see line G from above) I. \$ _____
 J. Balance (Subtract I from H) J. \$ _____
 K. Amount of financial assistance requests* K. \$ _____

**Wider Opportunity Committee grants funding to qualified troops based on information provided, need, and availability of funding. Basic guidelines for such grants are as follows: \$5 for Daisies, \$10 for Brownies, \$15 for Juniors, and \$20 for Teen Girl Scouts. Grants will only be given to the number of registered adult participants needed to ensure Safety Activity Checkpoints girl/adult ratios are met (see the Troop/Travel Camping guidelines).*

If the total amount requested cannot be given will the trip be:

☐ canceled ☐ delayed/rescheduled ☐ revised ☐ other _____

Applicant Signature:

Name	Position	Date
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Mail completed application and attachments:

Wider Opportunity Fund
 Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines
 6901 Pinecrest Road
 Raleigh, NC 27613

Checklist:

- ☐ Application fully completed and signed
- ☐ Answers to questions 5 and 6 have been completed on a separate sheet of paper and attached
- ☐ Attached photocopy of approved TP103
- ☐ Attached list of participants (*program age level indicated*)
- ☐ Submitted according to deadlines listed below

Wider Opportunity and Financial Assistance Applications are due on or before the first of each month.

- Applications received after the DUE date and applications that are up for reconsiderations will be considered at the next meeting if applicable.
- Requests for Council-Sponsored events/trainings should be sent in at least three weeks prior to the event/training with an event registration form and deposit.
- Incomplete applications cannot be considered for funding. Lack of answers to questions #5 and #6 as well as a signed TP-103 will prevent your application from being considered until this information is received.