

Connecticut Rivers Council Eagle Service Project Fundraising Policy

The Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application must be used in obtaining approval for service project fundraising of monies and for in-kind donations of materials, supplies, tools, or other needs. The Eagle Scout candidate should complete the "Eagle Service Project Fundraising Application" found in the Project Plan section of the [Eagle Scout service project workbook](#) and submit it to the District Advancement Committee prior to doing any fundraising. The fundraising application should be submitted once the Project Plan has been completed and more accurate project cost estimates have been calculated.

An Eagle Scout candidate WILL NOT need a fundraising application if their fundraising effort **only** involves contributions from:

- the unit
- the project beneficiary
- the Eagle Scout candidate
- the Eagle Scout candidate's parents/relatives
- the unit's chartered organization
- parents or members in the unit

The **ONLY** is important. If a scout's parents and beneficiary contributed \$4999 in value (donations of money or goods or services) and the scout got a \$10 donated from Sam's Hardware, a fundraising application is needed

An Eagle Scout candidate WILL need a fundraising application (found in the Eagle Scout service project workbook) if the Eagle Scout candidate is obtaining money, materials, supplies or donations from any sources not in the list above.

The Eagle project itself cannot be a fundraiser. Fundraising is only for securing materials or otherwise facilitating a project.

Fundraising for the project is conducted in the beneficiary's name (not Scouting's name), and the beneficiary will receive any leftover funds, materials or supplies not used for the project. The beneficiary should provide a receipt of the left over funds. All money raised for a project should be handled by the treasurer of the scout's unit. A report of income and expenses should be included with the scout's project report. Any excess funds raised must be turned over to the beneficiary.

"Crowdfunding" is permitted. All concerned should read and understand the website's terms of service and be aware that fees may be involved.

Any contracts that are signed cannot reference Scouting America, the local council or the unit's chartered organization. They should be signed by an adult acting as an individual (not a representative of Scouting America).

A reasonable time before fundraising efforts begin, the Eagle Scout candidate should complete the "Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application" found in the [Eagle Scout service project workbook](#). Signatures are required. The form along with "a list of prospective donor names and what they will be asked to donate" should be submitted to the District Advancement Committee Member assigned to your unit for approval.

For more guidance, the Eagle Scout candidate, their parent/guardian, their unit leader and a representative from the project beneficiary should review the "Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application" and the document titled "Procedures and Limitations on Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising." Both are found in the [Eagle Scout service project workbook](#).