

Charter renewal is a term that we use to describe when Scouts, adult volunteers, and charter organizations renew their membership with the Boy Scouts of America and pay their annual registration fees. All units in our council must complete and turn in their Charter renewal no later than December 31, 2018.

- Our goal is for every active Scouting unit in the Mount Baker Council to turn in their paperwork and fees at their district Charter renewal turn-in night in November, so that we have time to review and process your Charter renewal by December 31, 2018. Your district's commissioner staff will be working hard to clearly communicate this to you, and to offer Charter renewal training and a Charter renewal turn-in event in early November, well before the December 31 deadline.

Here's what you can do to help ensure a smooth Charter renewal process for your unit:

- Recruit a reliable and dependable person to be your Charter renewal processor. This needs to be a volunteer who does what they say they are going to do.
- Give your commissioner and district executive the contact information for your Charter renewal processor.
- Make sure they attend Charter renewal training in your district.
- Announce and collect all needed membership fees from parents and adult volunteers early.
- Make sure that your processor gets completed adult applications for all new adult volunteers in your unit.
- Make sure that your adult volunteers are current with their training, especially Youth Protection Training. REMEMBER that this year YPT is new and unless leaders have taken the NEW TRAINING they will not be reregistered.
- Communicate regularly with your Charter renewal processor to ensure that they have all the needed information and that they have not run into a snag. Make sure they know that this is important.
- Let your commissioner or district executive know if there is a problem. They stand ready to assist you with your Charter renewal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and for the very important work that you do to deliver the values of the Scout Oath and Law to our young people.