

William T. Hornaday Award

The William T. Hornaday Awards are presented for distinguished service in natural resource conservation. The award is given in one of seven forms.

- The local council may present the William T. Hornaday unit certificate for a conservation project by a pack, troop, team, or crew.
- The council may award the Hornaday badge to individual Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers for outstanding service in conservation.
- The council may award the Hornaday gold badge to adult Scouters who have given significant leadership to conservation at a council or district level.

All other Hornaday Awards are conferred by the National Council:

- Scouts and Venturers may apply for the bronze and silver medals.
- Adult Scouters may be nominated for the gold medal.
- Organizations unaffiliated with Scouting may be nominated for the gold certificate.

Hornaday Award	Administered by	Awarded to	Type of Award	How to Qualify	Maximum Awards/Year	Requirements
<u>Unit award</u>	Council	Pack, troop, team, crew	Certificate	Be nominated or apply	Unlimited	Complete one project; 60% of unit contributes
<u>Badge</u>	Council	Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer	Badge and certificate	Apply	Unlimited	Complete advancement requirements; complete one substantial project
<u>Bronze medal</u>	<u>National</u>	Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer	Medal, certificate, and square knot	Apply	Unlimited	Complete advancement requirements; complete three bronze substantial projects, each from a different project category
<u>Silver medal</u>	<u>National</u>	Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer	Medal, certificate, and square knot	Apply	Unlimited	Complete advancement requirements; complete four silver substantial projects, each from a different project category
<u>Gold badge</u>	Council	Adult Scouter	Badge	Be nominated	Unlimited	Adult Scouter; leadership to conservation at council or district level for at least three years
<u>Gold medal</u>	<u>National</u>	Adult Scouter	Medal, certificate, and square knot	Be nominated	Six	Adult Scouter; leadership to conservation at national or regional level over a lifetime (at least 20 years)
<u>Gold certificate</u>	<u>National</u>	Corporation or organization	Certificate	Be nominated	Six	Outstanding contribution to youth conservation education for at least three years

William T. Hornaday Unit Award

A Hornaday unit certificate, No. 21-110, is awarded to a pack, troop, team, or crew when that unit plans and carries out at least one local environmental/conservation project. At least 60 percent of the registered unit members must participate. These units may be nominated, or they may apply to their BSA local council for recognition.

Endorsements and Actions for the

William T. Hornaday Unit Award

Unit No. _____
(PACK, TROOP, TEAM, CREW)

District _____

Council _____

Conservation Adviser's Approval

I have worked closely with the unit named above in the design and execution of the required project. At least 60 percent of this unit's members have participated in and contributed to this project, which has improved the environment and/or conserved natural resources in the community.

I have reviewed this application and recommend that the unit receive the William T. Hornaday unit award.

Adviser's signature _____ Date _____

Unit leader's signature _____ Date _____

Council Conservation Committee's Approval

The council conservation committee has reviewed this application and determined that this unit has met all requirements for the William T. Hornaday unit award and has this committee's approval and endorsement.

Chair's signature _____ Date _____

Scout Executive's Approval

I have reviewed this application and approve the awarding of the William T. Hornaday unit certificate to this unit.

Scout executive's signature _____ Date _____

Note to local council: Forward the completed, approved application to:

Director of Conservation
Boy Scouts of America, S209
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

The certificate will be returned to the council.

William T. Hornaday Badge

The Hornaday badge is awarded, upon approval of the local council, to a Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer for outstanding service to conservation and environmental improvement.

The Requirements

1. Earn First Class rank (Boy Scouts/Varsity Scouts only).
2. Plan, lead, and carry out at least one project from one of the following categories:
 - Energy conservation
 - Soil and water conservation
 - Fish and wildlife management
 - Forestry and range management
 - Air and water pollution control
 - Resource recovery (recycling)
 - Hazardous material disposal and management
 - Invasive species control
3. Complete the requirements for any three-merit badges listed in bold type on the application, plus any other two listed there.

Venturers must attach a statement from their Advisor stating that ecology and plant and wildlife requirements for the Ranger Award have been satisfied.

Applicants meeting all requirements receive a certificate, No. 21-111, and the William T. Hornaday badge.

Application for the

William T. Hornaday Badge

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Applicant's address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Check one and indicate unit number:

Boy Scout Troop No. _____ Venturer Crew No. _____

Varsity Scout Team No. _____

(Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts only)

Rank at time of application _____ I became a First Class Scout on _____
(DATE)

Council _____ District _____

Unit leader's name _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Conservation adviser's name _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Statement of Applicant

I have thoroughly read the requirements for this award. I have worked closely with my conservation adviser in the design and execution of each project. The work summarized in this application is of my design. I request consideration for receiving the William T. Hornaday badge.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Merit Badge Requirements for the

William T. Hornaday Badge

MERIT BADGE	DATE COMPLETED	MERIT BADGE	DATE COMPLETED
Energy		Geology	
Environmental Science		Insect Study	
Fish and Wildlife Management		Landscape Architecture	
Forestry		Mammal Study	
Public Health		Nature	
Soil and Water Conservation		Oceanography	
Atomic Energy		Plant Science	
Bird Study		Pulp and Paper	
Fishing		Reptile and Amphibian Study	
Gardening		Weather	

Complete the requirements for any three merit badges shown in **boldface**, as well as any two others from this list.

Endorsements and Actions for the

William T. Hornaday Badge

Applicant's name _____

Unit No. _____
(PACK, TROOP, TEAM, CREW)

District _____

Council _____

Conservation Adviser's Approval

I have worked closely with the applicant named above in the design and execution of the required project. I have reviewed this application and recommend that the applicant receive the William T. Hornaday badge.

Adviser's signature _____ Date _____

Unit leader's signature _____ Date _____

Council Conservation Committee's Approval

The council conservation committee has reviewed this application and determined that this Scout or Venturer has met all requirements for the William T. Hornaday badge and has this committee's approval and endorsement.

Chair's signature _____ Date _____

Scout Executive's Approval

I have reviewed this application and approve the awarding of the William T. Hornaday badge to this applicant.

Scout executive's signature _____ Date _____

Note to local council: Following council approval, forward the completed application to:

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Boy Scouts of America, S209
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

The certificate and badge will be returned to the council.

William T. Hornaday Bronze or Silver Medal

These individual awards are granted by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America to a Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer for exceptional and distinguished service to conservation and environmental improvement.

The Requirements

1. Earn First Class rank (Boy Scouts/Varsity Scouts only).
2. For the bronze medal: Plan, lead, and carry out three projects from three separate categories listed below. For the silver medal: Plan, lead, and carry out four projects from four separate categories.

All projects are to be planned and carried out in a way that encourages others to understand and appreciate sound conservation and environmental practices. Exacting standards of project documentation must be met.

- Energy conservation
 - Soil and water conservation
 - Fish and wildlife management
 - Forestry and range management
 - Air and water pollution control
 - Resource recovery (recycling)
 - Hazardous material disposal and management
 - Invasive species control
3. Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts: Earn the Environmental Science merit badge. For the bronze medal, earn at least three more merit badges listed in bold type on the application, plus any two other merit badges listed there. For the silver medal, earn all six-merit badges in bold and any other three listed on the application.

Venturers must complete the ecology and plant and wildlife requirements for the Venturing Ranger Award and submit project documentation as specified.

The silver medal, the most distinguished in Scouting for exceptional conservation service, will be awarded for clearly outstanding efforts in planning, leadership, execution of plans,

involvement of others, and opportunities taken to help others learn about natural resource conservation and environmental improvement. The distinction between the bronze and silver medals is based primarily on the number and quality of the projects and their impact on the local community. The William T. Hornaday Awards Committee may award a bronze medal if the application does not meet the standard of exceptional service required for the silver medal. There is no limit on the number of bronze medals that may be awarded each year. Both awards include the medal (bronze or silver), a certificate, and an embroidered square knot.

Application for the

William T. Hornaday Bronze or Silver Medal

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Applicant's address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Check one and indicate unit number:

Boy Scout Troop No. _____ Venturer Crew No. _____

Varsity Scout Team No. _____

(Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts only)

Rank at time of application _____ I became a First Class Scout on _____
(DATE)

Council _____ District _____

Unit leader's name _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Conservation adviser's name _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Statement of Applicant

I have thoroughly read the requirements for this award. I have worked closely with my conservation adviser in the design and execution of each project. The work summarized in this application is of my design. I request consideration for receiving the William T. Hornaday medal.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Endorsements and Actions for the

William T. Hornaday Bronze or Silver Medal

Applicant's name _____

Conservation Adviser's Approval

I have worked closely with the applicant named above in the design and execution of the required projects. I have reviewed this application and recommend that the applicant receive the William T. Hornaday medal (check one):

Bronze medal Silver medal

Adviser's signature _____ Date _____

Unit leader's signature _____ Date _____

Council Conservation Committee's Approval

The council conservation committee has reviewed this application, interviewed the applicant, and determined that the applicant demonstrated leadership in the design and execution of the projects described. The applicant has met all requirements for the William T. Hornaday medal indicated above and has this committee's approval and endorsement.*

Chair's signature _____ Date _____

Scout Executive's Approval

This application is forwarded to the national office of the Boy Scouts of America with my full approval and recommendation for the William T. Hornaday medal noted above. My additional comments are:

Scout executive's signature _____ Date _____

*For reasons of distance or geography, an ad hoc committee in the applicant's community may be designated for the interview.

Merit Badge Requirements for the

Hornaday Bronze and Silver Medals

MERIT BADGE	DATE COMPLETED	MERIT BADGE	DATE COMPLETED
Energy		Geology	
Environmental Science		Insect Study	
Fish and Wildlife Management		Landscape Architecture	
Forestry		Mammal Study	
Public Health		Nature	
Soil and Water Conservation		Oceanography	
Atomic Energy		Plant Science	
Bird Study		Pulp and Paper	
Fishing		Reptile and Amphibian Study	
Gardening		Weather	

Bronze Medal. Earn the Environmental Science merit badge, plus at least three additional badges shown in **boldface**, and any two others listed.

Silver Medal. Earn all merit badges listed above in **boldface**, plus any three others.

If special circumstances make it impossible to complete the requirements for any of the required merit badges, the Scout executive may grant a waiver or allow a substitution. An explanation of the waiver should be appended to this application.

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P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

The application will be submitted to the Hornaday Awards Committee for appropriate action.

William T. Hornaday Gold Badge

The gold badge is by nomination only and is awarded by the local council to an adult Scouter. The nominee should have demonstrated leadership and a commitment to the education of youth on a council or district level for significant conservation efforts for a period of at least three years. Nominations are made to the local council. The award includes the gold badge.

Nomination for the

William T. Hornaday Gold Badge

This conservation award is granted by the local council to an adult Scouter. Nominations are made to the local council. The nominee should have demonstrated leadership and a commitment to the education of youth on a council or district level for significant conservation efforts during a period of at least three years.

Nominee _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Council _____

Currently registered as _____

Accomplishments that warrant the granting of this award _____

Nominator _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Council Conservation Committee's Approval

The council conservation committee has reviewed this application and determined that this adult Scouter has met all requirements for the William T. Hornaday gold badge and has this committee's approval and endorsement.

Chair's signature _____ Date _____

Scout Executive's Approval

I have reviewed this application and approve the awarding of the William T. Hornaday gold badge to this applicant.

Scout executive's signature _____ Date _____

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1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

The certificate and badge will be returned to the council.

William T. Hornaday Gold Medal

The gold medal is by nomination only and is awarded to an adult Scouter. It recognizes unusual and distinguished service in natural resource conservation and environmental improvement at the regional, national, or international level. Nominations must be approved by the Hornaday Awards Committee and by the Conservation Committee of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. Any recognized conservation/environmental organization may submit a nomination. The award includes the gold medal, a certificate, and an embroidered square knot.

Nomination for the

William T. Hornaday Gold Medal

This award is by nomination only and is for an adult Scouter or Venturing leader who has rendered distinguished and unusual service to natural resource conservation and environmental improvement over a sustained period (at least 20 years). Nominations are accepted from any recognized conservation/environmental protection organization. The nominee's accomplishments must be at a regional, national, or international level.

In an attached letter of nomination, indicate the contributions made by the nominee and whether the accomplishments cited were part of the nominee's paid professional responsibilities. Central to the selection process is the influence the nominee has had on youth and educational programs emphasizing sound stewardship of our nation's natural resources and environmental improvement.

Nominee _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Council _____

Nominee's affiliation with Scouting: _____

Suggested citation for reading at the time of presentation _____

Nominator _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Attach letters of nomination and endorsement.

William T. Hornaday Gold Certificate

This award is by nomination only and is granted to an individual, corporation, or organization not affiliated with Scouting. The nominee should have made an outstanding contribution to youth conservation education and demonstrated commitment to the education of youth on a national or international level, reflecting the natural resource conservation and environmental awareness mission of the Boy Scouts of America. Candidates may be nominated by any recognized conservation/environmental organization. Up to six awards may be granted annually. Each nomination must be approved by the Hornaday Awards Committee and by the Conservation Committee of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, in consultation with the Chief Scout Executive.

Nomination for the

William T. Hornaday Gold Certificate

This conservation award is granted to non-Scout organizations or individuals by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Nominations are accepted from any recognized conservation or environmental protection organization. The organization should have demonstrated leadership and a commitment to the education of youth on a regional, national, or international level reflecting the natural resource conservation and environmental improvement mission of the William T. Hornaday Awards program.

A letter of nomination should be addressed to the Chief Scout Executive. Letters of endorsement are encouraged. A certificate is awarded to the recipient by the Chief Scout Executive.

Nominee _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Council _____

Individual's affiliation with Scouting _____

Suggested citation for reading at the time of presentation: _____

Nominator _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone No. (_____) _____

Attach letters of nomination and endorsement.

Awards Presentation

The Conservation Service of the Boy Scouts of America supplies certificates, medals, and badges at no charge to local councils. Certificates are printed with the recipient's name.

Information packages containing a history of the award and pictures of Dr. Hornaday are available from the national office upon request. Councils are encouraged to maximize press coverage on the occasion of the award presentation—this distinguished honor reflects favorably on the Scouting program.