Mackinac Island Scout Service Program - Girl Scout Honor Troop 147

2025-2026 Application Information

The Program:

The Mackinac State Historic Parks sponsors a scout service program each summer for Girl and Boy Scout troops. Troop 147 is now in its 50th year and is looking for new members. Members must be willing to put service first. While on the island, troop members are responsible for raising and lowering flags at 27 flag stations (this all happens at precisely the same time) and serve as guides at the historical buildings downtown and in the fort. There is also plenty of free time to explore the island and participate in troop activities. The troop lives in the scout barracks which are located behind Fort Mackinac. The barracks include a modern kitchen, infirmary, dining hall, and sleeping quarters. Review the Competencies for Mackinac Island Girl Scout Members of Troop 147 for more information

Eligibility:

Any registered Girl Scout from Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore who is in 7th-12th grade may apply. This is a physically strenuous program. Girl Scout need to be in good physical condition and able to walk long distances on uneven terrain, including very steep hills. Girl Scouts are also required to stand for several hours, with breaks, without fidgeting. There are a limited number of positions available each year and selection is highly competitive. An interview is not guaranteed. **Interview date is November 15th, 2025 at the Betsy Cutler House in Muskegon.**

Costs:

There is a \$25.00 training fee that is due with the acceptance paperwork. The camp fee is \$310 (subject to change) and includes a unit photo. Uniform costs will vary by member and will be assessed separately.

Financial Assistance:

Cookie Dough is accepted as payment for this program.

Training Dates:

All training takes place at Betsy Cutler House in Muskegon.

February 21, 2026	May 16, 2026	June 27, 2026*	*Potential alternate date based on week of
March 21, 2026	May 30, 2026*		service. The final schedule will be posted once
April 25, 2026	June 13, 2026		we receive our week of service, early January.

Tentative week of service: July or August 2026

Application and Reference Forms:

Please complete the application and mail/e-mail to the address provided by the due date – October 31, 2025 by 11:59 pm. Applications that are incomplete will reflect negatively on you. Late postmarks will not be accepted. Reference forms should not be from a family member. Reference forms should be mailed or emailed to the address listed on the form to be received by October 29, 2025.

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