



**District Committee Youth Protection Champion
DRAFT Job Description**

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Structural:

- A registered BSA volunteer position; a member of the assigned District Committee;
- Appointed by the District Chairman, in conjunction with the District Executive, and the Council Youth Protection Chair
- Appointed for a one year term, extendable as required/desired (target no more than 3 years);
- In conjunction with an assigned council professional advisor, is responsible to the District Chairman for support and oversight of the administration and delivery of the youth protection program of the BSA to the council through the District and unit organizations;
- Serves on the Council's Youth Protection committee; and
- Position is subject to oversight by the District Committee and officers.

Desired Qualifications:

- A youth protection-oriented volunteer (Scouting background is desirable) with specific expertise in one or more of the following fields: Social services, Law enforcement, Criminal or civil justice, (i.e. prosecutors, judicial, academia), Prevention, Investigation, Intervention, Advocacy, Policy, Sex offender treatment, Child abuse therapy, Children's Advocacy Center, Victim advocates (with direct supervised experience in the criminal justice system), or Forensic interviewer (Note: Will need to provide curriculum vitae or résumé and a bio); and
- Preferred background in child abuse and maltreatment, with knowledge of youth victimization.

Responsibilities:

- As the District representative, serves on and supports all actions of the Council Youth Protection committee,
- Assist in developing and be willing to deliver Youth Protection training programs – or related programs to subject matter expert background and expertise – and other documents identified by national Youth Protection Director and council committee,
- Assist in development of council and district plans to increase the implementation, training and focus on Youth Protection,
- Supply written materials as needed for use in council communication vehicles (paper and digital),
- Participate in a Youth Protection review of BSA programming and enforce safe Youth Protection practices, and
- Conduct assessment of the district & council's compliance with BSA's national Youth Protection policy.

Specific Duties:

- Depending on the size of the specific council and district, specific duties will be similar to, and in direct support, of the duties of the Council Youth Protection Champion/Chair.

Youth Protection Mission Statement

True youth protection can only be achieved through the focused commitment of everyone in Scouting. It is the mission of Youth Protection volunteers and professionals to work within the Boy Scouts of America to maintain a culture of youth protection awareness and safety at the national, regional, area, council, district, and unit levels.