

The Scout Programs of Adventure Scouts USA are inclusive. But we stretch beyond our members to include other organizations, which also benefit youth. These “Friendship Organizations” are organizations we have a special relationship with. We encourage other organizations, which work for the good of youth to join our “Circle of Friends.”

### **We Value and Incorporate Aspects of the Programs of the Following Organiza**



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The American Camp Association is a 100-year old association of camp professionals who join together to share their knowledge and experience of camping. As a leading authority on child development, they work to preserve, promote and improve the camp experience. They have accredited over 2,300 camps, which meet up to 300 standards for health, safety, and program quality. They work to insure healthy standards in camping and improve the life of youth by encouraging them to get into the great outdoors.

The American Red Cross is another friend of the Scout Programs of Adventure Scouts USA. Whether they are bringing nondiscriminatory medical assistance to the battlefield, helping those hit by a natural disaster, or holding a blood drive, the Red Cross is dedicated to the

alleviation of human suffering and the value of human beings. They provide exemplary training in first aid, CPR, water safety, and disaster preparedness, just to name a few.

## **We Are a Member of the Following Association**

The CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition was started with the purpose of emphasizing character in the lives of youth. They promote education of youth about the Six Pillars of Character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. They stress the development of good character and providing role models for youth. Adventure Scouts USA is the only American Scout Program or Scout Organization who is a nationwide member of CHARACTER COUNTS!.