

# Gov. Walker: Meets with Wisconsin boy scouts at state Capitol for annual report

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Madison – Governor Scott Walker met with Eagle Scouts today at the Wisconsin State Capitol for the Boy Scouts Annual Report to the Governor.

“As an Eagle Scout myself, I know first-hand what a valuable, life-changing experience scouting can be,” Governor Walker said. “Being a member of the Boy Scouts of America teaches the young people of our state how to become leaders, pursue their passions, and give back to others. It was great to meet with the scouts today and hear about all of the great things they’re doing to enhance their communities and our state.”

In 2016, the Boy Scouts of Wisconsin completed more than 300,000 hours of service within Wisconsin communities, collected nearly 760,000 pounds of food for local food banks through the “Scouting for Food” program, served approximately 75,000 youth with the help of more than 17,000 adult volunteers. The 792 new Eagle Scouts in Wisconsin recorded more than 125,000 hours of service while completing their Eagle Scout projects.

The Boy Scouts of America is one of the nation’s largest and most prominent youth development organizations. Founded in 1910, the Boy Scouts of America boasts nearly 2.5 million members between the ages of seven and 21 and prides itself on training members to be responsible, self-reliant citizens through outdoor, educational, and service-based activities.