



Heritage in Action Award



In celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States, the Transatlantic Council is proud to introduce the America 250 Heritage in Action Award. Scouts living overseas experience American identity in a uniquely global context. The America 250 Heritage in Action Award reflects not just where the nation began, but how its ideals are lived around the world today.

Participants may earn the award by completing requirements in three categories:

LEARN: Understanding history and values

PARTICIPATE: Engaging in events and community

ACT: Serving and making a difference

Award Requirements

- ★ Each Scout (or adult) completes a minimum number of requirements from each category, appropriate to their program level between Jan 1, 2026, and Dec 31, 2026.
- ★ Completion of activities must be approved by your Unit Leader.
- ★ Your registration with the Transatlantic Council must be up to date.
- ★ Award forms must be submitted by Jan 31, 2027, to receive the award.
- ★ You must complete the requirements associated with your current Scouting America registration.

**Submit a copy of your completed booklet to
TAC-ServiceCenter-802@scouting.org, using
subject line: Heritage in Action Award.**





Scouts BSA, Venturers, Sea Scouts



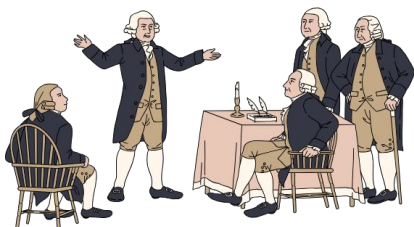
Scouts BSA members, Venturers, and Sea Scouts may complete America 250 Award requirements individually, but are encouraged to work together as a patrol, crew, ship, or unit. Collaborating through shared activities, discussions, and service projects strengthens teamwork, deepens understanding, and makes the experience more meaningful and rewarding.

Learn (Complete 3)



LEADER INITIAL
& DATE

	Explain the causes and outcomes of the American Revolution.	
	Discuss key ideas in the Declaration of Independence and how they apply today.	
	Research a lesser-known figure from the Revolutionary era and present their contribution.	
	Compare the American Revolution with the history of the country's independence or government where you live.	
	Research how American alliances (e.g., through NATO) connect the U.S. with your host country.	
	Locate a historical marker or building in your community that has a connection to the United States, then share what you learned with your unit.	





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Participate (Complete 4)



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Take part in an America 250-themed campout, hike, or other outdoor activity.	
Plan and cook an American meal for your unit.	
Teach an American-origin game, sport, or skill.	
Complete one of TAC's historic trails.	
Assist with an Eagle Scout Project.	
Complete two of the following merit badges in 2026: American Business, American Cultures, American Heritage, American Indian Culture, American Labor, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the Community, Scouting Heritage	
Attend or help organize a ceremony or educational event about American history.	
Attend or support an America 250 event hosted at a U.S. embassy, consulate, or military installation.	
Participate in a joint activity with local Scouts or youth organizations from your host country.	
Visit a historical site in the country you live in and reflect on its connection (or contrast) to American history.	
Visit a historical site, museum, or virtual program related to U.S. history.	





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Act (Complete 3)



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Plan and lead a service project benefiting your community. Log your service hours in Scoutbook. Minimum of 2 hours.	
Organize or assist with a flag retirement ceremony.	
Mentor younger Scouts (Cub Scouts) in completing their America 250 activities.	
Help welcome a new American family to your community.	
Participate in a food drive (Scouting for Food).	
Community Partnership: Invite a school, church, or civic group to join in a Scouting event.	

The Transatlantic Council America 250
Heritage in Action Award requirements
were successfully fulfilled by:



Scout Name

Rank

Leader Name

Leader Signature and Date

Unit

Share your award journey by emailing your photos,
videos and stories to TACScouting@gmail.com.

