Scouting is going strong in our community! As a supporter of Scouting in the Hawkeye Area Council, we thank you for your generous and continued support of our local youth and families.

**Scouting from Home**

As Council staff reached out to families to check on their well-being, an immediate need became apparent. Families are encountering their own challenges during this unprecedented time and could use some help. The Scouting from Home resource page was created to keep youth focused and engaged while helping their parents maintain balance in their daily schedules. Here are some ways Scouts are staying involved:

- **Morgan Simoneau** with Troop 560G working on her Art Merit Badge.
- **The Moestchen family**, Pack & Troop 66 communicating with their pen pal in Mexico.
- **Dylan Lang** with Troop 42 shows the proper way to use a camp stove as part of his 2nd Class rank requirements.

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**Have you already left the Council in your estate plans? Let us say, thank you! For more information, contact heather.lampe@scouting.org**
**Act of Kindness**

When there is a natural disaster, Scouts are there, serving on the front lines. With COVID-19 and social distancing, being on the front lines takes on an entirely different meaning. Here’s how one local Scouting group made a difference.

![Image of Kyle Young, center, and another member of the Venture 2000 Crew present boxes of face masks to Nick Jellison, right, at the Hiawatha Fire Department on Monday, March 23, 2020 (Taylor Holt/KCRG).]

Venture Crew 2000 of the Hawkeye Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, specializes in medical education for its youth members. They keep a surplus of medical supplies on hand and recently donated around 1,100 face masks to the Hiawatha Fire Department.

"My mom works at UnityPoint Clinic so obviously I feel that impact too just being worried about how things might unfold in the near future," Kyle Young, president of the group, said.

"All of these supplies right now are just in complete, total demand right now," Nick Jellison, deputy fire chief for Hiawatha, said. "It's impossible to get from our supply chain right now, any masks things like that, gloves are really hard to get."
First Ever Virtual Campout!

The Hawkeye Area Council is proud to announce our first virtual campout was a success! Scouts and their families from across Eastern Iowa and neighboring states joined the Council from their basements, backyards and other unique locations while practicing safe social distancing.