

Campmasters Crew Needed

Help us improve Scout camp!

The Properties Committee needs volunteers for Saturday workdays at Camp Karankawa to complete ongoing projects big and small.

All volunteers are asked to bring work clothes, gloves, a helpful mindset, and happy attitudes! All are welcome!

For more information, contact the Camp Ranger DK Hopwood at donald.hopwood@scouting.org.

Camp Rentals

Did you know you can rent camp? Whether you're a pack, troop, a non-profit organization, or corporate group, our camp is available.

Amenities include:

- 400+-seat air-conditioned dining hall w/ commercial kitchen
- 1,000-person campsites
- Restroom & hot shower facilities
- First aid lodge
- Hiking trail
- Horse corral
- Lake Hermann
- Leader's Lodge & Training Lodge
- Nature Center
- Outdoor amphitheatre & chapel
- *Olympic-sized swimming pool
- *Shooting ranges
- Trading Post

To learn more, visit us online at www.bacbsa.org/camp-karankawa.

**Some amenities require trained Rangemasters and Lifeguards.*



Our Mission

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Our Vision

The Bay Area Council, Boy Scouts of America continues to be a catalyst for change in the lives of youth today. In an effort to expand our reach and have an even greater impact, we extend our attention to building a better camp and offering a wider range of exciting adventures for youth. With your help, we can nurture the next generation of leaders, ensure the long-term success of our camp, and impact the youth of today, tomorrow.



Our Promise to you

As stewards of your investment in Camp Karankawa's camp improvements, we promise to:

Provide a safe place for citizenship and belonging.

Invest in building the physical and mental skills, and character of future leaders.

Preserve Camp Karankawa's natural beauty and create unique spaces for young people to connect with the environment.

Connect With Us

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CAMP KARANKAWA

INVESTING IN SCOUTS ONE CAMP PROJECT AT A TIME



Camp Karankawa's Impact

We are proud of Camp Karankawa's legacy of impact. Annually, we continue to engage a substantial group of campers who exemplify the Scouting Spirit.

Dear Scouters & Community Partners,

Our Scout camp provides an extraordinary outdoor classroom for character-building, citizenship, mental & physical fitness and leadership through education, expression, and growth. Though fun and games in a safe, outdoor classroom, camps create intentional communities with robust and diverse ways for youth, parents, and volunteers to connect with each other and their communities in a powerful and meaningful way.

Since 1955, Camp Karankawa, located in Sweeny, Texas, and occupying nearly 400 acres, has served as home to thousands of Scouts. At camp, youth explore who they are — and who they will become — in a safe and fun environment. Whether they're camping, engaging in projects, or making lifelong friends, camp creates a community of young leaders who are proud of themselves and their heritage.

Simply stated, Scout camps work. To secure stronger communities in the future, we must invest in strengthening Scout camps today. With your hard work and partnership, we want to ensure that every youth benefits from immersive camp experiences and takes the lessons learned back to their communities, but we need your help. Our camp is more than 65 years old and in need of committed community partners that believe in the values of Scouting.

The Bay Area Council, Boy Scouts of America Board Members, professional staff, and thousands of volunteers continue to invest in leadership, membership and program development. Each year, we work hard to enhance our camp. As we seek to expand our reach, we are exploring the role of camping to attract, engage and retain youth. We invite you to join us on a local level.

Thank you for your support as we work together to ensure a more vibrant Scout future in Brazoria and Galveston Counties.

James Ware Derick Meadows Charlie Tinsley
President *Commissioner* *Scout Executive/CEO*

Lake Hermann Restoration is necessary to enhance our water-front programs such as fishing and canoeing for generations to come. Restoration needs include building a new retaining wall and removal of invasive plant species.

Shooting Ranges need a major berm renovation and better equipment for use by the thousands of Scouts who visit our camp each year.

Staff Cabin Enhancements have already begun thanks to generous donations and volunteers. The cabins can now house up to 12 staff during programs and include bunkbeds, a bathroom and 2 showers, a kitchenette, and outdoor gathering area. We have one more cabin to repair!

Site Preservation is necessary for future generations. Presently, camp's nearly 400 acres can accommodate 1,000 Scouters, but sites flood during heavy rains. We need fill dirt and machinery to raise our campsites.

The Climbing Tower needs to be rebuilt to provide an element of high adventure. We lost ours to old age and weather.

Amphitheater & Chapel Projects will create ample seating and audio to enhance outdoor programs for campers. The project will also increase the capacity of the seating so the entire camp can enjoy campfires, skits, songs, and presentations.

Leader's Lodge is a silent witness to our heritage. It remains one of the central points of camp providing a headquarters for check-ins and registration, and also a training hub for programs.

Our Path Forward: Camp Karankawa Improvement Plan

Camp Karankawa is home to more than 4,000 Scouts and they need a safe, natural habitat where they can grow into tomorrow's leaders today. We need community partners like you to help us build and maintain it.

Projects include:

- Create safe, adventurous programs.
- Increase Scout participation.
- Purchase new shooting sports equipment.
- Recruit community volunteers.
- Rebuild the climbing tower.
- Restore Lake Hermann.
- Train aquatics and shooting sports staff.
- Upgrade campsites and roads.

