

22 Ways to Say “Thanks” on April 22

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The very essence of Girl Scouting depends upon the contributions of volunteers. Whether a volunteer contributes time because she or he loves working with girls, sharing a skill or any of a million different reasons, a heart-felt thank-you goes a long way towards making that person feel appreciated. The gesture doesn't need to be big and grand — it can be as simple as a letter or a card signed by your service unit team.

1. Smile and just say thanks!
2. Send a handmade thank-you card, create a scroll with a thank-you proclamation signed by the whole group, or email an e-card that can be found at sdgirlscouts.org/appreciation.
3. Give a bouquet of daisies.
4. Cover your community with signs that say “Thank You, Girl Scout Leaders!”
5. Write a letter-to-the-editor thanking your leaders by name for their commitment to girls in the community.
6. Display a thank-you poster on their lawn or mailbox or house door, and tie balloons to it.
7. Place a thank-you poster on their automobile at work and attach balloons to their car antenna.
8. Take a leader's picture and send it to the newspaper; include a thank-you caption.
9. Thank leaders in person and wish them a good day.
10. Present leaders with homemade gifts from the girls and their families.
11. Have a recognitions ceremony.
12. Record girls thanking their leaders as PSAs at local radio stations.
13. Hold an appreciation dinner!
14. Make a financial contribution to Girl Scouts in honor of your leader.
15. Present them with heart-shaped lapel pins.
16. Organize a special outing for leaders to relax at the movies, theatre, sporting event, spa, etc.
17. Give a mug full of chocolate hugs & kisses.
18. Present volunteer appreciation certificates.
19. In appreciation for time given by volunteers, give the gift of thyme. Decorate a terracotta pot, and plant thyme. Or give dried thyme, thyme in olive oil, or bread flavored with thyme.
20. Thank the volunteer for lending a “hand.” Girls trace and decorate their paper hands, and affix them to a poster-sized page.
21. Give a festively wrapped Girl Scout Cookie box stuffed with thank-you notes from girls, families, and others (instead of cookies).
22. Send a small token of appreciation and attach a famous quote or proverb.