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### RIO GRANDE COUNCIL

relies almost entirely on the support of individuals like you!

Friends of Scouting 32%  
Endowment 6%  
United Way 9%  
Product Sales 13%  
Management & General 15%  
Program Services & Fundraising 85%  
Special Events Foundations & Trusts 24%  
Camping & Activities 16%

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**Where Does Your Money Go?**

Proudly, 85% of all donations provide programs back to youth in our community.

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**YEAR END BALANCES 12/31/2011**

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**Thank You!**

**2011**

RIO GRANDE COUNCIL
ANNUAL GRATITUDE REPORT

**We couldn’t serve them, without you ...**

**OPERATING FUND** $101,175  
**CAPITAL FUND** $740,880  
**ENDOWMENT FUND** $1,304,661  
**TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS** $2,146,716

* Figures from the 2011 Audit Statement

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
RIO GRANDE COUNCIL

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The mission of the Rio Grande Council Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical choice over their lifetime, by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. Lasting results will:

- Improve Educational Performance
- Increase the number of Community Service Projects
- Improve Family Relationships
- Develop Community Leaders
- Reduce Juvenile Crime
- Improve Employment in our Service Area with training
- Produce a better community and country in which to live

BECAUSE OF YOU ...

- The Rio Grande Council earned the Gold Quality Council Award for 2011
- 48 Eagle Scouts, 392 Boy Scouts and 1297 Cub Scouts earned 1969 Merit Badges
- Attendance increased at both Scouts Camps
- Both camps were accredited by The Boy Scouts of America and the Texas Department of Health
- More Unit Commissioners provided customer service to our units
- We lead the area in direct youth leaders being fully trained
- More was invested in camp improvements and new program equipment
- Annual Popcorn Sales continues to generate 13% of our budget
- Our council leads the region in youth protection training
- The Rio Grande Council has expanded into communities

WHAT YOU HELP SUPPORT: A Short Guide to BSA Programs

The Rio Grande Council serves over 5,000 youth and adults annually. The various programs offered are:

**Cub Scouting** is a family and home-centered program for boys in the first through fifth grade (7, 8, 9, and 10 years old). Boys participate in more advanced activities that begin to prepare them to become Boy Scouts. Cub Scouting’s emphasis is on quality programs at the local level, where the most boys and families are involved.

**Boy Scouting** is a program for boys 11 through 18, designed to achieve the aims of Scouting through a vigorous outdoor program and peer group leadership with the counsel of an adult Scoutmaster.

**Venturing** is an active, exciting program for young men and women, 14 through 20, built around the program fields of emphasis; advancement, high adventure, personal development, service, and special programs and events.

**Soccer & Scouting** provides a Scouting experience for youth who are considered economically and educationally at risk, to provide personal behavior and communication skills with peers and adults; and to increase access to Scouting in a sports based setting.

**Exploring** is designed for young men and women, ages 14 through 20 (who have completed the eighth grade), and helps them gain insight into a variety of programs that offer leadership training, fitness, outdoor service and career hands-on experiences. Exploring promotes the conditions necessary for the growth and development of adolescent youth.