

## G.I.R.L.s IN SESSION

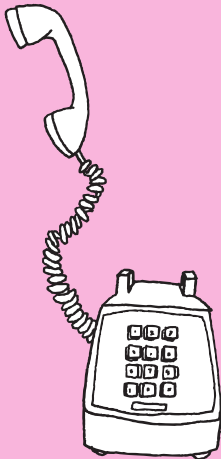
UNLEASH YOUR INNER G.I.R.L. (GO-GETTER, INNOVATOR, RISK-TAKER, AND LEADER)<sup>™</sup> WHILE SPEAKING WITH YOUR LEGISLATOR.

Get civically engaged and have a face-to-face meeting with your legislators\*! Host a **G.I.R.L.s in Session** to make your voice heard and talk with your legislator about why they should support Girl Scouts and the issues\*\* you care about!

### SET THE MEETING

First, find out who represents you. Go to [gis.leg.mn/iMaps/districts](http://gis.leg.mn/iMaps/districts) and enter your address; or call the House Public Information Services Office at 651-296-2146. Ask an adult to help you make the call to set up the meeting.

STEP 1



### GET READY TO TELL YOUR GIRL SCOUT STORY

Your Girl Scout story is powerful! Before your meeting, think about some topics you want to discuss with your legislator. Here are some questions to get your ideas going:

- What issues are important to you? Is there something in your school or community that needs change?
- Why are you passionate about Girl Scouts? Why do you think your legislator should support Girl Scouts?
- Can you think of a time when you helped other people in Girl Scouts? How do you think the government should help people?
- Have you done a service project, Take Action project, or Highest Award project? What did you learn from it? Could your legislator help with this issue?

STEP 2

### UNLEASH YOUR INNER G.I.R.L. IN SESSION

This is your time to shine! At your meeting you have the opportunity to get to know your legislator, tell them your Girl Scout story, and ask for their support for your issue. Not sure what to wear to your meeting? Go with anything that makes you feel comfortable and confident. Include your sash, vest, or favorite Girl Scout gear so it's clear who you are!

STEP 3

### FOLLOW UP

Remember that the Girl Scout Law calls us to be considerate and respectful. Thank your legislator for their time at the end of your meeting. Be sure to write a follow-up note that summarizes your Girl Scout story and the issue you want your legislator to support.

STEP 4

Thank you!



STEP 5

### KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING

Follow your issue in the news, keep asking questions, and find new ways to get involved! What did you learn from this experience? What do you think about being a leader in government? Are there other ways you can create awareness for your issue?



\*LEGISLATOR: A person who makes laws.

\*\*ISSUE: Something you are passionate about that you think needs to be changed or supported.