



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
NATIONAL COUNCIL

General FAQ About The National Organization's Chapter 11 Filing

About the BSA's Announcement

1. What is a Chapter 11 filing?

"Chapter 11" refers to the Chapter of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code that specifies a process for non-profit – as well as for-profit – organizations to address their financial challenges while continuing operations. This is exactly what the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is doing.

2. Does the Chapter 11 filing mean the BSA is closing its doors?

No. We want to be clear that Scouting will continue throughout this process and for many years to come. Regular unit meetings and activities, district and council events, other Scouting adventures and countless service projects will take place as usual.

3. Why did the BSA initiate this financial restructuring now?

We took this action to address the increasing financial pressure the BSA is facing from litigation involving past abuse in Scouting. The BSA believes we have a social and moral responsibility to equitably compensate victims. We also have a duty to carry out our mission to serve youth, families and local communities through our programs. This process enables us to do both.

4. Are local councils filing for bankruptcy?

Only the national organization is filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Local councils – which provide programming, financial, facility and administrative support to Scouting units in their communities – are not part of the filings. Councils are legally separate, distinct and financially independent from the national organization.

5. I've heard that Delaware BSA, LLC also filed for bankruptcy – what is that?

Delaware BSA, LLC is not involved in the BSA's programming and is in no way related to the local Delaware council.

6. Will this announcement impact high-adventure facilities?

We expect activities at our high-adventure facilities will continue as usual throughout this restructuring process and beyond.

About the BSA's Social and Moral Responsibility to Victims

7. How will this bankruptcy filing help victims of past abuse?

As part of the restructuring, the BSA has proposed establishing a Victims Compensation Trust that will be used to equitably compensate victims in a way that protects their identities and brings resolution to their claims. The BSA believes victims, we support them and we encourage them to come forward as part of the Chapter 11 case. We will provide clear and comprehensive notices to ensure they have an opportunity to receive compensation.

8. What steps is the BSA taking to protect youth today?

It's important to know that Scouting is safer now than ever before. Approximately 90% of pending and asserted abuse claims against the BSA relate to abuse that occurred more than 30 years ago. The safety of children in our programs is the BSA's

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