Cache to Eagle®

Celebrating Scouting Leadership and Service

Reaching the rank of Eagle Scout requires years of dedication and hard work. In addition to 21 required merit badges, each Scout must complete an extensive service project that he plans, organizes, leads, and manages. On average, each Scout conducts 167 service hours as part of that project. In 2008 alone, that translated to $16 million* in service to communities across America.

Cache to Eagle is a partnership between Geoscouting, the BSA, and Geocaching.com to highlight Eagle projects across the nation. Through the program, participants set up normal public caches at Eagle project sites that also happen to be good cache spots. Dozens of public caches that showcase these remarkable sites are already posted, and the initial response has been fantastic. Hundreds of people visit the Eagle Scout projects, and many of them write public notes on the logs at Geocaching.com.

Getting to see the pinnacle of Scouting achievement, in a fun way, is highly meaningful for young Scouts. This program can also provide a tremendous source of pride for Scouters and Scouting alumni, and it helps to show the larger community Scouting's contributions.

Cache to Eagle is a great way to show Scouting's commitment to service. If each district sets up a series, we will have over a million visitors seeing—first hand—the impact of Scouting on our communities every year.

Finding a Cache to Eagle Series

Participating BSA local councils will hide 12 caches in their territories. To find them, go to Geocaching.com and choose "Hide and Seek a Cache." Type in the search term "Cache to Eagle" and your BSA local council name. If you don't know what council serves your area, visit www.Scouting.org/localcouncillocator.aspx.

Starting a Cache to Eagle Series

If you're a BSA staff member or volunteer, start your own Cache to Eagle series! Read through the guidelines in the Get in the Game! toolkit on *YourSource* (Scouting.org/100years). *YourSource* is a password protected site. A user ID and password are provided to all members of the 100th Anniversary National Leadership Team. Any BSA professional or volunteer can join the National Leadership Team. Simply contact the 100th Anniversary Staff Adviser for your council. You can also e-mail bsagetinthegame@gmail.com for more information.