

William T. Hornaday Awards



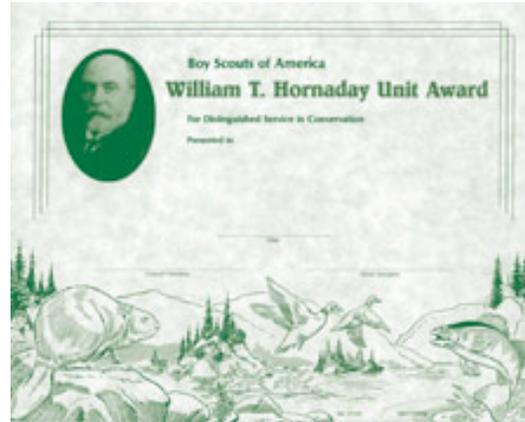
Conservation and Boy Scouts have been partners for a long time. Camping, hiking, and respect for the outdoors are a part of the Scouting Heritage. This prestigious award program began in 1914 by Dr. William T. Hornaday. He devoted his life to serving the environment and it is well known that he kept the Bison from becoming extinct.

Since 1914 only 1,100 medals have been awarded. These projects take time and effort by everyone involved. If any Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer is willing to devote the time and energy to follow the tough guidelines, they might qualify for one of the Hornaday Awards.

The Awards are the Unit Award, The Badge, The Bronze Medal, The Silver Medal, and the Adult Gold Badge, Medal, and Certificate.

All applications can be found on the National BSA web site. (www.Scouting.org)

William T. Hornaday Unit Award



The Unit Award is very simple to work on. Any Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew of five or more Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, or Venturers that work on a substantial conservation project can apply.

60% of registered Unit members must participate. This is a Council level award and the group may be nominated to the Council or apply to the local Council when finished.

This reflects highly on your Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew, and how well you are willing to give back to our environment.

William T. Hornaday Badge Award

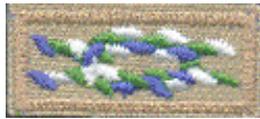


The Hornaday Badge is also one of the more simple awards and is a good stepping stone to one of the medals. Any Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer rendering service to conservation and the environment can apply to the local Council for recognition.

Attention to all Scoutmasters or Eagle Scouts!

If you have ever had a Scout that has completed a conservation Eagle Scout Project, they may be eligible for this great recognition. An Eagle Scout Project will count for this award.

William T. Hornaday Bronze Medal

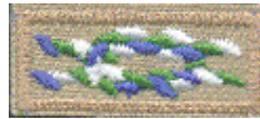


The Bronze Medal is a youth award that comes with the Square Knot, Medal, and Certificate. The requirements to receive this award are at least **3** substantial conservation projects. Also you must complete the Environmental Science Merit Badge and **3** bold face Merit Badges, and any **2** others. That is **6** Merit Badges total.

Merit Badges: Energy, Environmental Science, Fish & Wildlife, Forestry, Public Health, Soil & Water, Bird Study, Fishing, Fly-Fishing, Gardening, Geology, Insect Study, Landscape Architecture, Mammal Study, Nature, Nuclear Science, Oceanography, Plant Science, Pulp & Paper, Reptile & Amphibian, and Weather.

The projects must be to the scale of an Eagle Scout project.

William T. Hornaday Silver Medal



The Silver Medal is the highest award that can be bestowed upon a youth for conservation. It takes a minimum of **4** Conservation projects. Also each Scout must complete all Merit Badges listed in bold face and any three others. This would be a total of **9** Merit Badges.

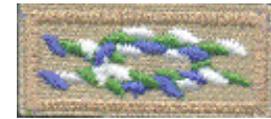
By receiving this award you are a proven conservationist and are a marked man!

Venturers:

For the Bronze and the Silver Medal, Venturers have to complete the Core Conservation requirements, along with Ecology and Plant and Wildlife.

Also, if you are an older Scout your writing skills will be held up to a higher standard. Please keep this in mind.

William T. Hornaday Gold Medal



The Gold Medal is the highest conservation honor an adult can be awarded. Only **6** are given out a year. The adult must have served the environment for over **20** years. It is only considered by nomination and a big factor can be if your job was a part of that **20** years. (Certificate, Square knot, and Medal)



This is a Council level award, and takes a minimum of **3** years of leadership to conservation. It is much like the Gold Medal but it is more like a stepping stone like the other Badge. It is still a great honor and can be awarded by the Council. (Only Badge)

Adult Gold Certificate:

Although not displayed the Gold Certificate is given out by National to an Organization or Individual for outstanding contribution to youth conservation education for at least **3** years. The Chief Scout Executive gives only **6** out a year. Your service must be on the Region, National, or International level. (Only Certificate)