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TO: Rip Van Winkle Council Volunteers and families
FROM: Dana E. Kuhns
DATE: April 18, 2023
SUBJECT: An Important Message from Rip Van Winkle Council.

Dear Scouting Family—

I am reaching out today to share some news. As you may already be aware, the national organization of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) exited bankruptcy today.

The BSA's financial restructuring process comes to an end with the overwhelming support of more than 85% of abuse survivors involved in the case and is set to establish a compensation fund for survivors currently valued at \$2.4 billion, with the opportunity for additional contributions by numerous other parties. We are sincerely grateful for all survivors, whose bravery, patience, and willingness to share their experiences has moved us beyond words.

The Rip Van Winkle Council remains committed to delivering our nation's foremost program for character development and values-based leadership training in Ulster and Green Counties. Our council provides countless experiences for young people in our area each year. We are looking forward to an enriching year of programming, including our upcoming Spring Camporee at Camp Tri-Mount and our Weekends at Tri-Mount short-term camping programs.

Thanks to your support, the Rip Van Winkle Council is well positioned to continue serving our community for generations to come. For more information on the national organization's exit from bankruptcy, please visit www.BSArestructuring.org. For information on how Scouting is safer today than ever before, please visit www.scouting.org/youthasafety and watch [the video](#).

Yours in Scouting,

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