



Realignment: How it Began

In 2004, Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) began with a vision of a nationwide Girl Scout organization revitalized. Their ultimate goal is to build a nation of high-capacity councils. A high-capacity council is defined as one who uses resources efficiently, and has the funding, connections and scale to achieve the mission now and in the future.

GSUSA worked with demographers on a map of councils realigned to create high-capacity councils. A committee of staff and volunteers for northern Illinois councils worked together to present a plan that would bring together Fox Valley, Rock River Valley, Green Hills and Sybaquay councils. Counties in this new high-capacity council include Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kendall, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Winnebago and Whiteside counties. The actual realignment is scheduled to begin October of 2008 with completion of the realignment slated for October 2009.

During the realignment process Sybaquay Council will continue to offer program and services to its nearly 9,775 girls and 2,225 adults within its current jurisdiction.