This document highlights the most important updates in Volunteer Essentials 2018-2019. As usual, we recommend that volunteers take the time to read through the manual and reference it throughout the year.

Questions? Email memberservices@gsep.org.

Quick Reference Guide

- Deleted ToGetHerThere
- added information on adding girls to your troop
- updated numbers on membership and WAGGGS

Chapter 1: Sharing Your Unique Gifts
- edited learning opportunities section

Chapter 2: Girl Scouting as a National Experience
- added information about Girl Scout participation in activities with other Scouting organizations
- updated list of Journeys to include new content
- deleted pages on “What ___ Do” (grade-level specific info)

Chapter 3: Engaging Girls at All Grade Levels
- formatting only

Chapter 4: Being Safety-Wise
- added: Reduce cash transactions by offering credit card payment options per your council guidelines.
- amended paragraph on basic activity insurance – eliminated coverage timeframe – once someone has purchased a membership, they are covered by activity insurance

Chapter 5: Managing Group Finances
- added section on Recognizing Cookie Sellers in the Media
- added wording about cookie booth location selection and appropriateness
- added section on using the internet for fall and cookie programs

Appendix: For Travel Volunteers
- updated Safety Activity Checkpoints and current travel conditions and guidelines