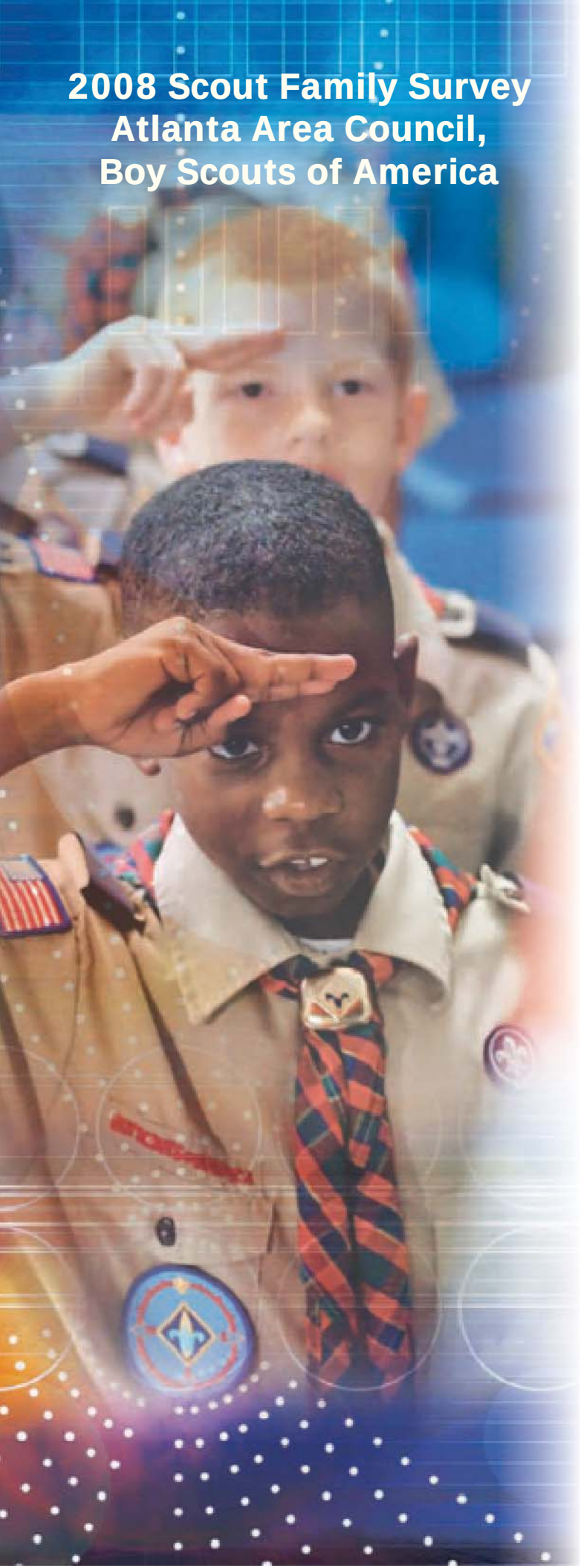
2008 Scout Family Survey
Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America



In 2008, the Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America surveyed the parents of Cub, Boy, Venturing, and Exploring Scouts to better understand how effective the Scouting program is within our community. The results show Scouting benefits the youth of our community as well as our community itself.

Cub Scouts (ages 7-10)

93% of parents agree that Cub Scouts provides programs that promote a positive social identity

93% of parents agree that Cub Scouts provides opportunities for the parent and Scout to learn together

90% of parents agree that Cub Scouts helps their son learn a new skill

Over 126,000 hours of community service was contributed by Cub Scouts in 2008

Boy Scouts (ages 11-17)

98% of parents agree that Boy Scouts helps their son learn a new skill

92% of parents agree that Boy Scouts helps engage their son in team and leadership building activities

91% of parents agree that Boy Scouts helps their son serve the community

87% of parents agree that Boy Scouts helps their son become a leader

85% of parents agree that Boy Scouts helps their son develop communication skills

Over 251,000 hours of community service was contributed by Boy Scouts in 2008

74% of Boy Scouts attended week long summer camp

68% of Boy Scouts attended 5 or more outdoor outings

Atlanta Area Council,
Boy Scouts of America

The Atlanta Area Council serves 49,933 youth in 13 Atlanta area counties: Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Dekalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Haralson, Newton, Paulding, Pickens and Rockdale.

Council programs are led by over 11,000 trained adult volunteer leaders who share their time, talents and resources to provide our youth with a first class program.

The Volunteer Service Center, located in Cobb County, is the catalyst for volunteer support, training, and information.

The Council offers three year-round camping facilities: Bert Adams Scout Reservation in Covington, the Robert W. Woodruff Scout Reservation in Blairsville, and the Allatoona Aquatics Base.

For more information on the Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America visit www.atlantabsa.org or call 770-989-8820.

Venturers (males & females ages 14-20)

92% of parents agree that Venturing helps their son or daughter become a better leader

89% of parents agree that Venturing helps their son or daughter to better serve the community

88% of parents agree that Venturing provides programs that promote a positive social identity

88% of parents agree that Venturing has taught their son or daughter skills to solve problems

Over 39,000 hours of community service was contributed by Venturing Scouts in 2008

29% of Venturing Scouts contribute 50+ hours of community service each year

Explorers (males & females ages 14-20)

97% of parents agree that Exploring helps their son or daughter learn new skills

92% of parents agree that Exploring helps their son or daughter prepare for the workforce

92% of parents agree that Exploring helps their son or daughter learn skills to solve problems

89% of parents agree that Exploring helps their son or daughter to better serve the community

83% of parents agree that Exploring helps their son or daughter become a better leader

Over 33,000 hours of community service was contributed by Exploring Scouts in 2008

The 2008 Scouting Family Survey was prepared by George Downs.