GIRL SCOUTS / SCOUTING AMERICA

Scouts in Government Day | Town of Trumbull

Tuesday, April 28, 2026 | 12:45 PM – 3:30 PM

Scouts in Government Day is a Town of Trumbull tradition that began in the early 1970s under First Selectman Clarence Heimann. The event is organized by the Girl Scouts, Scouting America, and the Town of Trumbull. Scouts are paired with Town of Trumbull elected officials, employees, and volunteers and shadow their assigned mentor to learn about their job responsibilities.

Scouts in Government Day is a great opportunity for Scouts to learn about their government, be good citizens, and perhaps learn about a career that they might choose to pursue in the future. Scouts may also be able to complete requirements towards their rank advancements.

Application Process

Scouts must at least be a 4th grade student or ten years old to participate. Scouts may select their top three positions from a list of available jobs. An application, parent/guardian permission, and short essay that describes why the Scout wishes to serve in their selected position are required. The Scouts in Government Day Committee will read, review, and assign Scouts to each position. Applications must be received by **Friday, April 17, 2026**. Submit the application and essay to: Bill Chin, Technology Department, Town Hall, 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611 or email wchin@trumbull-ct.gov.

Essay Tips:

- Essays should be neat, typed or handwritten, and at least one paragraph long.
- Content is important so find out about the duties and responsibilities of the job. Refer to the Town of Trumbull website at www.trumbull-ct.gov for more information.
- Essays will be judged on content and effort.
- Essays should focus on the Scout's first job choice, but a few sentences about their second and third choice are helpful in case their first choice is assigned to another Scout.

Please note that many Scouts will be applying for these jobs. If a Scout is not selected for their first choice, an attempt will be made to place them in another choice or related job. Preference is often given to those who have participated in Scouts in Government Day in the past. Scouts are encouraged to participate in Scouts in Government Day each year and learn about multiple positions.

Scouts should wear their uniform to Scouts in Government Day and arrange their own transportation to and from the event.

Schedule of Events

12:45 PM	Scouts arrive to the Town Hall Council Chambers
1:00 PM to 1:15 PM	Opening Ceremony – Scouts are paired with their mentors
1:15 PM to 3:00 PM	Scouts job shadow with their mentors
3:00 PM to 3:30 PM	Closing Ceremony – Scouts receive certificates and briefly describe what they learned. Parents are encouraged to attend!
3:45 PM	Scouts depart

Trumbull Scouts in Government Day List of Positions – 2026

Animal Control Officer: Lynn Dellabianca

Maintains the Animal Shelter and cares for shelter animals. Administers and enforces laws relating to animals. Checks for roaming and unlicensed animals and handles all complaints. (Note: only one Scout can be assigned to this position because of the limited seating in the animal control vehicle.)

Building Official: Bob Dunn

Reviews all construction documents for compliance with State Building Codes. Conducts inspections of buildings under construction and issues necessary permits.

Chief Administrative Officer: Cindy Katske and Kathy McGannon

Advises First Selectman on policy issues. Acts as a liaison between First Selectman and Town Council. Represents First Selectman's office in union negotiations and employee grievances. Assists the First Selectman in carrying out all duties of the First Selectman's office: performs many special assignments and projects (includes working on Scouts in Government Day event.)

Emergency Management: Andrew Kingsbury

Plans and prepares for local, regional, state, and national emergencies. During an actual emergency, coordinates emergency activities and communicates public information as directed by the First Selectman and Chief of Police.

Emergency Medical Service: Chief Colin Bassett

Responds to accidents and other health emergencies and oversees technical training in all areas of emergency response.

Engineering: Bill Maurer

Provides professional, technical, and service oriented assistance to the Town. Technical advisor to Planning and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission.

Executive Assistant: Alicia Altobelli

Assists the First Selectman in carrying out all duties of the First Selectman's office including special assignments and projects.

Finance: Maria Pires

Responsible to the First Selectman for the administration of the Finance Department and for the operation of the Tax Assessor, Tax Collector, and Purchasing Departments.

Fire Marshal: Megan Murphy

Responsible for fire code, plan review and enforcement, fire investigation, blasting code enforcement, fire prevention and education.

First Selectman: Vicki Tesoro

Trumbull's Chief Executive Officer. Responsible for the administration of all departments.

Golf Course Property Director: Joe Imperio

Responsible for all aspects of maintaining and improving the 27-hole golf facility at Tashua Knolls.

Health Department: Joan Littlefield

Promotes health and prevention of disease, assuring safe, clean environment for residents.

Human Resources: Thomas McCarthy

Oversees recruitment of qualified candidates through objective process of advertising, testing, and recruiting applications for entrance or promotion within the system. Responsible for the administration of employee benefit plans. Summer Youth Program provides summer jobs for students.

Human Services Director: Michele Jakab

Oversees the Trumbull Senior Center and Social Services of the town, Food Pantry, and operations at the Mary J. Sherlach Counseling Center.

Library Youth Services: Chelsie Landon

Facilitates the teen programs, foster outreach, and curates the teen collection.

Nature and Arts Center: Kevin Malone

Provides nature-rich experiences to members of our community through educational and fun-filled activities.

Planning and Zoning: Rob Librandi

Enforces and amends zoning regulation, reviews residential and commercial plans, meets with the public and developers, applies for State and Federal grants.

Police Chief: Michael Lombardo

Responsible for the management of all police activities.

Public Works: George Estrada

Responsible for the administration of the Public Works Department and provides technical advice to Town Boards and Commissions concerning engineering matters.

Recreation Director: Noreen Wilpiszeski

Plans and coordinates recreational activities for the Town. Oversees recreation programs and work with youth sport organizations (Little League, Trumbull Youth Lacrosse, etc.) for scheduling of facilities in the parks.

Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Martin Semmel

Responsible for the effective and efficient running of Trumbull Public Schools under the direction of the Board of Education. (Note: parents need to provide transportation to/from Town Hall and the Long Hill Administrative Building.)

Tax Assessor: Lynn Ormsbee

By State of Connecticut Statute, prepares the Grand List and is required to set the values on all real and personal property.

Tax Collector: Cathy Rauso

Responsible for collecting taxes and receiving and processing all tax monies including current and prior taxes.

Technology Department: Bill Chin

Responsible for managing the Technology Department and providing technical support for employees. Manages and configures workstations, servers, networking devices and databases.

Town Clerk: Mary Markham

Records real estate transactions, land records, legal documents, and licenses. Is charged with recording and certifying election returns.

Videographer: Lara Walden

Videographer for Trumbull Educational Channel. Uses video camera to film events, programs and meetings in Town. Develops strategies and techniques for interviewing people.

Water Pollution Control Authority: Christian Horch

Supervises the administration of the Sewer Department.

911 Dispatch: John Butz

Handles radio communication in event of an emergency – dispatches fire and EMS personnel. Keeps lines of communications open to assist caller until help arrives. Provides follow up reports.

2026 Application for Scouts in Government Day

Scout's Information

Scout's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Troop/Unit Information

Troop/Unit # _____ Leader's Name: _____ Email: _____

Parent's Information

Parent's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent's Email Address: _____

Position Selection (please list in order of preference)

First Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

Third Choice: _____

Previous Scouts in Government Day positions held (if any):

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Please attach your essay and mail it to: Bill Chin, Technology Department, Town Hall, 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611 or email wchin@trumbull-ct.gov.

Permission

This Scout has permission to participate in Scouts in Government Day on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. I understand that some Scouts will leave Town Hall during the event and visit other Town properties, and that photos may be taken and published.

_____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature