



BOY SCOUTS  
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SIMON KENTON COUNCIL

## **The Easton Community Foundation Soaring Eagle Award**

The Eagle Scout is the highest honor a youth can earn in Boy Scouts. Achieving the rank of Eagle Scout is difficult. It is intended to be. Even under the best of circumstances, it takes years of focused effort, self-discipline, leadership and service to others. Only 2-percent of the boys who strive to become Eagles actually attain the rank.

But not every Eagle Scout comes from the best of circumstances. Some come from financially disadvantaged schools and neighborhoods. Some come from families struggling with other issues, unable to provide moral and emotional support during the process. Some start out with physical or mental health disadvantages that make the tasks along the way more challenging for them than for others. Some undergo a life trauma during the time they are working toward Eagle rank.

The Easton Community Foundation Soaring Eagle Award is designed to recognize an Eagle Scout who achieved the Eagle rank even under adverse conditions such as these. Leadership from local Boy Scout troops and districts have the opportunity to nominate any Eagle Scout they believe is deserving of this special recognition. The nominations are then reviewed by a committee of the Simon Kenton Council National Eagle Scout Association Chapter in cooperation with representatives from the Easton Community Foundation and this special recognition will be presented at the annual Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner on Monday, April 2, 2018.

