

Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge 2016-2020 Requirements

Scout Name _____



Requirement 2A) :

On a map of your community or using an electronic device, locate and point out the following:

- 1) Chief government buildings such as your city hall, county courthouse, and public works/services facilities
- 2) Fire station, police station, and hospital nearest your home
- 3) Parks, playgrounds, recreation areas, and trails
- 4) Historical or other points of interest

Using the Houston Destination Downtown map provided, locate the following landmarks. Write down the number of the destination from the map key, and indicate the closest intersection.

Destination	Key #	Nearest Cross Streets
City Hall & City Hall Annex		
Harris County Court Complex		
Herbert W. Gee Municipal Court		
Bob Casey Federal Court		
Sam Houston Park		
Market Square		
Allen's Landing		
Sesquicentennial Park		
Discovery Green		
Tranquility Park		
Heritage Society Museum		
Houston Central Library		
Minutemade Park		
METRO Rail Line (choose one)		
George R. Brown		
Performance Venue (your choice)		

With your parent's or guardian's permission, use Google Maps to locate the closest fire station, police station and hospital nearest to your home.

Fire Station #: _____

Police Station: _____

Hospital: _____



TO HOUSTON HEIGHTS BIKE TRAIL

INTERSTATE 10

BUFFALO BAYOU HIKE & BIKE TRAILS

BAYOU PLACE

THE SHOPS AT HOUSTON CENTER

GREEN STREET

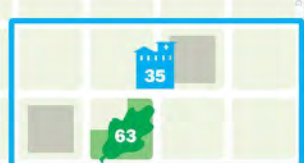
TO MUSEUM DISTRICT

GEORGE R. BROWN CONVENTION CENTER

TOYOTA CENTER

MINUTE MAID PARK

TO BBVA COMPASS STADIUM



INTERSTATE 45

U.S. 59

Attractions & Sights

- 1 Avenida Houston
- 2 Buffalo Bayou
- 3 Buffalo Bayou Cistem
- 4 Discovery Green
- 5 Downtown Aquarium
- 6 George H. W. Bush & James A. Baker, III Monuments
- 7 George R. Brown Convention Center
- 8 Historic Market Square
- 9 Main Street Square
- 10 Saint Arnold Brewing Company
- 11 Union Station at Minute Maid Park

Eat & Drink

- 12 Avenida Houston
- 13 Ballpark District
- 14 Bayou Place/Theater District
- 15 Discovery Green
- 16 Downtown Aquarium
- 17 Historic Market Square
- 18 GreenStreet
- 19 The Shops at Houston Center
- 20 Warehouse District

Food Halls

- 21 Bravery Chef Hall
- 22 Finn Hall
- 23 Underground Food Hall
- 24 Understory

City, County & Federal

- 25 Bob Casey Federal Courthouse
- 26 City Hall/City Hall Annex
- 27 Harris County Court Complex

Connect to our online dining guide.



Institutions

Education

- 28 Incarnate Word Academy
- 29 Kinder High School for the Performing and Visual Arts
- 30 South Texas College of Law Houston
- 31 University of Houston Downtown
- 32 University of Houston Downtown College of Business
- 33 University of Houston Downtown College of Public Service
- 34 University of Houston Downtown College of Sciences and Technology

Medical

- 35 St. Joseph Medical Center

Religious/Spiritual

- 36 Annunciation Catholic Church
- 37 Antioch Baptist Church
- 38 Christ Church Cathedral
- 39 First United Methodist Church
- 40 Hines Center for Spirituality and Prayer
- 41 Holy Cross Chapel
- 42 Houston's First Baptist Church
- 43 Islamic Dawah Center
- 44 Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral

Museums & Libraries

- 45 Heritage Society Museum
- 46 Houston Central Library
- 47 Julia Ideson Library
- 48 Museum District (via METRORail)

Music Venues

- 49 House of Blues
- 50 Last Concert
- 51 Revention Music Center
- 52 The Rustic

Parks

- 53 Allen's Landing
- 54 Discovery Green
- 55 Halliburton Plaza
- 56 Hermann Square
- 57 Lynn Wyatt Square
- 58 Market Square Park
- 59 Root Memorial Square
- 60 Sabine Promenade
- 61 Sam Houston Park
- 62 Sesquicentennial Park
- 63 Sisters of Charity Park
- 64 Southern Downtown Park (Opening Fall 2021)
- 65 Tranquillity Park

Recreation

- 66 Buffalo Bayou
 - Hike, bike & jogging trails
 - Bike rental at The Water Works
 - Barbara Fish Daniel Nature Play Area
- 67 Discovery Green (Fitness classes, bocce ball & putting green)
- 68 Lee & Joe Jamail Skatepark
- 69 Lucky Strike Bowling Lanes
- 70 Root Memorial Square (Basketball court)
- 71 Sunset Coffee Building
- B Houston BCycle

Shopping

For independent retail stores, visit downtownhouston.org

- 72 GreenStreet
- 73 The Shops at Houston Center

Grocery & Conveniences

- 74 CVS/Pharmacy - Main Street
- 75 CVS/Pharmacy - Market Square
- 76 Phoenicia Specialty Foods
- 77 Posh Liquors
- 78 Wolfe's Cleaners

Sports

- 79 BBVA Compass Stadium
- 80 Minute Maid Park
- 81 Toyota Center

Theater

- 82 Alley Theatre
- 83 Hobby Center
- 84 Jones Hall
- 85 The Landing Theatre Company
- 86 Rec Room
- 87 Wortham Theater Center

Film

- 88 AMC Houston 8

Transit

- 89 Downtown Transit Center
- 90 METRORail-Red Line
- 91 METRORail-Purple and Green Lines
- B Houston BCycle

Visitor Information

- 92 Explore Houston: GRBCC

Where to Stay

- 93 AC Hotel Houston by Marriott
- 94 Aloft Hotel
- 95 Athens Hotel Suites
- 96 Cambria Hotel
- 97 Club Quarters
- 98 Courtyard by Marriott/ Marriott Residence Inn/ SpringHill Suites
- 99 Doubletree
- 100 Embassy Suites
- 101 Four Seasons
- 102 Hampton Inn/Homewood Suites
- 103 Hilton Americas - Houston
- 104 Holiday Inn
- 105 Holiday Inn Express
- 106 Hotel Alessandra
- 107 Hotel Icon
- 108 Hyatt Place Hotel
- 109 Hyatt Regency Houston Hotel
- 110 JW Marriott
- 111 The Lancaster Hotel
- 112 Le Meridien Hotel
- 113 The Londale
- 114 Magnolia Hotel
- 115 Marriott Marquis
- 116 The Sam Houston Hotel
- 117 Westin Houston Downtown
- 118 The Whitehall Houston Hotel

MAP KEY



24-Hour Accessible ATM



Dog Park



Bayou Trail Access



Houston BCycle



Public Parking Garages

Tours

- 119 Buffalo Bayou Boat Tours
- 120 The Cistem
- 121 Heritage Society Historic Homes Tour
- 122 Minute Maid Park Tour
- 123 Saint Arnold Brewery Tour
- 124 Toyota Center Backstage Tour

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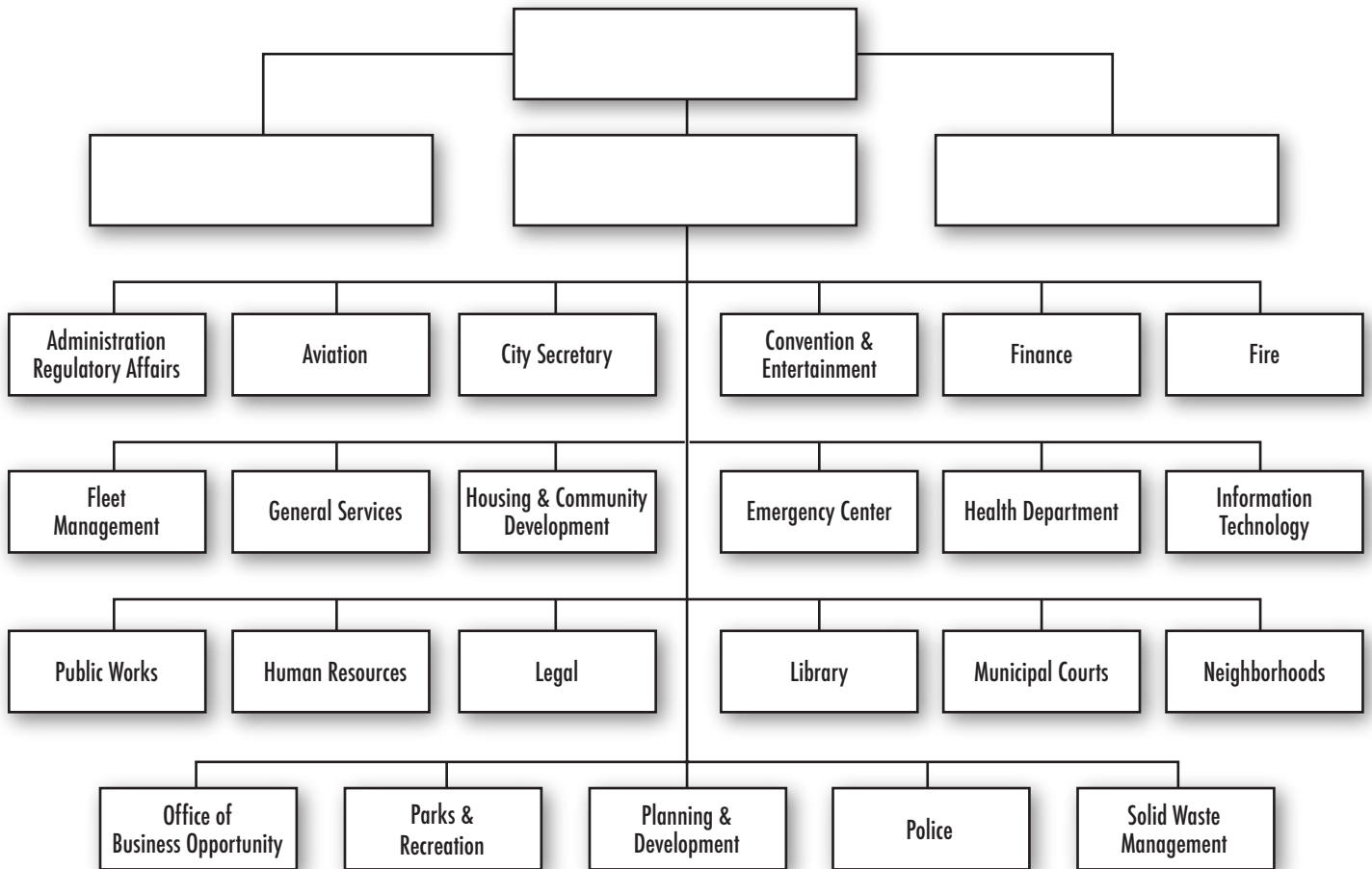
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Requirement 2B):

Chart the organization of your local or state government. Show the top offices and tell whether they are elected or appointed.

Fill in this City of Houston Government organization chart, and circle the positions that are elected:



Houston has a _____ form of government.

Houston has _____ (#) members of City Council.

Elections for Mayor & City Council are Concurrent or Staggered? (check one)

In Houston, Municipal Judges are _____ by _____ and confirmed by

_____ .

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Requirement 5) :

With the approval of your counselor and a parent, watch a movie that shows how the actions of one individual or group of individuals can have a positive effect on a community.

Discuss with your counselor what you learned from the movie about what it means to be a valuable and concerned member of the community.

WATCH one of these films (available on streaming platforms) to discuss in class with the group:

42 (2013)	It's a Wonderful Life (1946)
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind (2019)	Pay it Forward (2000)
Dunkirk (2017)	Wonder (2017)
Follow Me Boys (1966)	Zootopia (2016)
Hidden Figures (2016)	

WRITE the name of the film you watched here:

COME PREPARED to discuss what you learned from the movie:

- What does it mean to be a valuable member of the community?
- Be able to give examples from the movie about how the actions of an individual or group benefitted their community and had positive impact.
- Consider the challenges they faced and how they responded to them.

MAKE NOTES to have talking points prepared and ready to share:

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Requirement 7) :

A) Identify three charitable organizations outside of Scouting that interest you and bring people in your community together to work for the good of your community.

B) Using a variety of resources (including newspapers, fliers and other literature, the Internet, volunteers, and employees of the organization), find out more about ONE of the organizations. Explain what you find.

C) While working on this merit badge, volunteer at least eight hours of your time for the organization. After your volunteer experience is over, discuss what you have learned with your counselor.

Date(s) Volunteered	Hours	What you did



Citizenship in the Community

Merit Badge Workbook



This workbook can help you but you still need to read the merit badge pamphlet.

This Workbook can help you organize your thoughts as you prepare to meet with your merit badge counselor.

You still must satisfy your counselor that you can demonstrate each skill and have learned the information.

You should use the work space provided for each requirement to keep track of which requirements have been completed, and to make notes for discussing the item with your counselor, not for providing full and complete answers.

If a requirement says that you must take an action using words such as "discuss", "show", "tell", "explain", "demonstrate", "identify", etc, that is what you must do.

Merit Badge Counselors may not require the use of this or any similar workbooks.

No one may add or subtract from the official requirements found in Scouts BSA Requirements (Pub. 33216 – SKU 653801).
The requirements were last issued or revised in 2016 • This workbook was updated in July 2020.

Scout's Name: _____ Unit: _____

Counselor's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

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1. Discuss with your counselor what citizenship in the community means and what it takes to be a good citizen in your community.

Discuss the rights, duties, and obligations of citizenship, and explain how you can demonstrate good citizenship in your community, Scouting unit, place of worship, or school.

Rights:

Duties:

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Obligations:

Explain how you can demonstrate good citizenship in your community, Scouting unit, place of worship, or school.:

- c. Share what you have learned with your counselor.

- 6. List some of the services (such as the library, recreation center, public transportation, and public safety) your community provides that are funded by taxpayers.

Service	Tell your counselor why these services are important to your community.

8.
 - Develop a public presentation (such as a video, slide show, speech, digital presentation, or photo exhibit) about important and unique aspects of your community. Include information about the history, cultures, and ethnic groups of your community; its best features and popular places where people gather; and the challenges it faces.
 - Stage your presentation in front of your merit badge counselor or a group, such as your patrol or a class at school.

When working on merit badges, Scouts and Scouters should be aware of some vital information in the current edition of the *Guide to Advancement* (BSA publication 33088). Important excerpts from that publication can be downloaded from <http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/GTA-Excerpts-meritbadges.pdf>. You can download a complete copy of the *Guide to Advancement* from <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf>.