Philanthropy is a very important lesson learned in Scouting. As the old saying goes, “Charity begins at home!” So, the Hoosiers Trails Council has established our Adopt A Campsite Initiative.

Through this initiative, Scout Troops will adopt a particular campsite at Maumee Scout Reservation (MSR). New signage will carry on the MSR geode theme and recognize units that make a new $6,000 commitment* to sponsor a site. Site sponsorships can be fulfilled over a three year period and will also provide units with a preferred reservation status when registering for summer camp.

The planned project will improve the experiences of campers in the area in which they spend the majority of their time, the campsite. Investment attributes include:

- 26Permanent shelters will be constructed in campsites, which will provide better protection from the elements and eliminate the need for portable shelters.
- Latrine renovations will be made to better meet the expectations of today’s Scouting families, improving lighting, cleanliness, and privacy.
- Drainage and issues from over usage will be addressed.
- New tents purchased and platforms renovation.

So, help your Council improve our campsites by taking part in our Adopt A Campsite Initiative! To learn more, contact Glen Steenberger, Scout Executive, at 812-336-6809 or via email at gsteenberger@bsamail.org.

*Because funding our operating budget is mission critical, gifts to this effort must be over and above a units current Friends of Scouting giving.