

KEYSTONE

2022-23 CHARTER RECOGNITION LEVELS

The Keystone program encourages all teens to improve their communities through volunteer service and civic participation. Keystone Clubs can apply for several different levels of recognition upon meeting criteria. Once approved for the Basic level, they can then upgrade to Silver, Gold and Legacy levels and become eligible to attend the National Keystone Conference.

Basic Level

This is the entry level category where Clubs meet basic requirements for participation, elect officers and highlight their work in each of the key focus areas. All Keystone Clubs are required to charter at this level annually.

Silver Level

This level is for Keystone Clubs that have met the Basic requirements and completed a minimum of 200 cumulative service hours completed, experiential activities in the four key focus area, created a Keystone National Project and submitted two #WeOwnFriday events.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS

1. Must have a minimum of six to 15 members between the ages of 14 to 18. One unit may have more than one chartered Keystone Club, but the name must be different.
Example: Galaxy Stars 1, Galaxy Stars 2
2. Must have minimum of one advisor, 23 years or older.
3. Must hold weekly meetings, have elected officers, and submit their charter application. They should also highlight their Club's work in the four key areas of Keystone: Academic Success, Career Preparation, Community Service and Teen Outreach.
4. Charter must be completed on the Keystone Online Community and be approved by BGCA.

Optional: Keystone Club members plan and implement at **least one #WeOwnFriday Teen Recruitment event.**

SILVER REQUIREMENTS

1. Must meet all Basic requirements.
2. Be a current chartered Keystone Club within the current annual charter period.
3. Submit Keystone Club plans for the upcoming year.
4. Complete a minimum of 200 cumulative service hours.
5. Keystone Club members must plan, implement and submit experiential projects and activities in Keystone's four focus areas: Academic Success, Career Preparation, Community Service and Teen Outreach.
6. Submit a Keystone National Project report.
7. Confident Teen: Host a minimum of four meetings inviting teens to pick their favorite role model and make a presentation to the Club on why they mean so much to them and how they plan to emulate them. (In-person or virtual)
8. Keystone Club members have planned and implemented at least **one #WeOwnFriday Teen Recruitment event.**
9. Charter upgrade to Silver must be completed on the Keystone Online Community and be approved by BGCA.

How the Program WORKS

Gold

This level is for Keystone Clubs that have met Silver requirements and completed a minimum of cumulative 400 service hours, at least one or more of the National Service Initiatives, two #WeOwnFriday events and mentor Torch Club members.

Legacy

This level is for Keystone Clubs that have met Gold requirements and have been a Gold Charter for two consecutive years. They have also completed a minimum of 600 cumulative service hours, at least two legacy initiatives and three #WeOwnFriday events.

GOLD REQUIREMENTS

1. Must meet all Silver requirements.
2. Complete a minimum of 400 cumulative service hours.
3. Participate and submit a brief description on one or more of your service initiative events on the appropriate registration form. The forms can be found on the Million Members/Million Hours of Service Online Community on bgca.net

National Service Initiatives:

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Day of Service
 - Global Youth Service Day
 - United We Serve: Summer of Service
 - National Day of Service and Remembrance Worldwide Day of Play
 - The Big Help National Family Week and One Member One Hour Activities
4. Must serve as mentors to Torch Club members or kids in their community who are Torch Club age (10- to 13-years old).
 5. Keystone Club members must have planned and implemented at least **two** #WeOwnFriday Teen Recruitment events.
 6. Charter upgrade to Gold must be completed on the Keystone Online Community and be approved by BGCA.

LEGACY REQUIREMENTS

1. Must meet Gold requirements.
2. Must be an approved Gold Level Keystone Club for **two consecutive years**.
3. Complete a minimum of 600 cumulative service hours
4. Must create a Legacy Club mission statement
5. Members must demonstrate that they are **Champions of Teens** in their community by **completing two** or more of the following:
 - Develop an **annual Marketing Plan** for all Keystone related projects that focuses on teen recruitment, retention, marketing strategies and teen programming.
 - Host a **minimum of six Teen Outreach** events each year.
 - Have a **formal transition program** in place to advance Torch Club members to the Keystone Club program.
6. Share **two success stories** of teens making a difference in their community and how Keystone has made a difference in their life.
7. Keystone Club members have planned and implemented at least **three #WeOwnFriday** Teen Recruitment events.
8. Charter upgrade to Legacy must be completed on the Keystone Online