

MID-IOWA COUNCIL POPCORN PAYS FOR SCOUTING



Scouting does wonderful things for our youth, but with any program, there is a financial cost. Did you know that by selling popcorn, much of your Cub Scout's expenses can be covered? On average in 2024 Scouts sold \$157 per hour at Popcorn storefronts. For Packs that earned the 31% maximum commission and allocate all to their Scouts, there is \$49/hour earned towards Scouting expenses (*see below)! Let's see how it all breaks down.

\$157

**AVERAGE SALES
PER HOUR**

31%

**MAXIMUM
COMMISSION***

MEMBERSHIP

National Fee	\$85
Council Fee	\$80
Total Cost	\$165

3.3 HOURS

of storefront time based on average, for a total of \$518 popcorn sold - if 31% commission is applied to the Scout*

UNIFORM

Uniform Shirt	\$25-50
Neckerchief/slide	\$18
Initial Patches	\$13
Handbook	\$13-50
Low Total Cost	\$69
High Total Cost	\$106

1.4-2.2 HOURS

of storefront time based on average, for a total of \$220-345 popcorn sold - if 31% commission is applied to the Scout*

ADVENTURES

Eagle Cave (Wisconsin)	\$70
Henry Doorly Zoo	
Overnight	\$55
Nation MS River	
Museum Overnight	\$70
Maquoketa Cave	\$35
Total Program Cost	\$230

4.7 HOURS

of storefront time based on average, for a total of \$738 popcorn sold - if 31% commission is applied to the Scout*

The costs above are approximate and may vary depending on your Pack's requirements for uniform, additional activities, Pinewood derby, or other costs not covered by the Pack. Please talk to your Pack leadership on budgeting for camping, advancements and activities.

*-packs can earn a maximum commission of 31% on all sales if they take part in the training required. Pack Committees are responsible for managing Pack finances and allocation of commissions. Not all Packs allocate 100% of the commission directly to the individual Scouts. Please talk to your Pack Leadership for more information about their policies on commissions earned.

**Uniforms are not generally an annual cost. Prices are current and do not take into account Pack 'closets' or resale uniform pieces. Please talk to your Pack leadership on unit requirements for uniforms.