Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan

Sale of Port Huron Service Center: Frequently Asked Questions

Why is Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan (GSSEM) selling the Port Huron Service Center?
GSSEM's Port Huron Service Center (PHSC) has been significantly underutilized since the 2009 GSUSA national merger of Girl Scout councils. GSSEM recently received an unsolicited purchase offer for the PHSC building. The offer has been accepted, and the sale—approved by the GSSEM Board of Directors—is pending closure in mid-February 2022.

Is GSSEM's office in Port Huron closing permanently?
No. GSSEM has moved the PHSC to the Birchwood Mall in Fort Gratiot Twp—approximately an eight-minute drive from the previous building.

When will the Birchwood Mall location open?
Curbside pickup and cookie cupboard operations will begin at the new PHSC location on February 10, 2022.

What services will be available at the new location?
The new PHSC will serve as a cookie cupboard, curbside pickup location, and meeting spot.

- Starting February 10, 2022, curbside pickup will be available on Thursdays, 12:00 PM–6:00 PM. Other than holiday office and inclement weather closings, curbside pickup won't be disrupted.
- Cookie cupboard hours will continue without disruption. Exact hours will be announced in the future.
- In-person meetings with GSSEM staff must be scheduled in advance with Member Support Specialists.

May troop or other community meetings be held at the mall location?
No. The new PHSC isn't available for troop or community meetings. Volunteers or community groups who need help finding an alternative meeting location are encouraged to contact their Member Support Specialist.

Will Girl Scout Cookies be sold at the new location?
No. Cookies won't be sold in the new PHSC offices inside the Birchwood Mall. A Girl Scout Cookie kiosk will be operated by a troop during normal mall hours, and customers will be able to purchase directly from girls.

Will GSSEM be hosting a closing event at the former PHSC location?
No. Because of the short timeline for completing the sale and moving to the new location—immediately following holiday office closings—GSSEM isn't able to host a special closing event. If a Girl Scout alumnae or community member would like to view the building before the sale is complete, please contact a Port Huron-based Member Support Specialist to arrange a viewing time.

GSSEM understands and appreciates that the Port Huron Service Center holds a great deal of history and meaning for our alumnae, members, and supporters in the Port Huron area. We're pleased that the new owner, Region 10 PIHP, a governmental non-profit organization that provides mental health and substance abuse disorder services, will use the building to continue meeting the needs of the community.

GSSEM looks forward to maintaining a strong Girl Scout presence and building further relationships in the Port Huron area.