

Identify a Need in Unit Service for Your Doctorate Topic

1. Why are you a commissioner (personal/Scouting reasons)?

2. What do you do in Scouting/unit service?

3. What are you currently most passionate about in Scouting/unit service?

4. What areas of unit service do you feel you would like to focus on as you complete your doctoral project or thesis (unit, district, council, area, regional or national)?

5. What aspects of unit service in your area of focus would you like to improve or enhance as you complete your project or thesis (additional information, training, administrative, programs, other)?

6. What is the role of the commissioner in your chosen area(s) of focus?

7. For your area(s) of focus:

- a. How powerfully are you motivated to spend a significant amount of time and effort?
- b. Is there a good “fit” for you with your chosen area(s) of focus?
- c. Does your area of focus fit a personal and Scouting “need”?
- d. Do you have the resources and power (?) to complete the effort required?
- e. Do you have the time to devote to your chosen topic?

8. Selection of topic (general):

- a. State area of focus
- b. Rationale for this area of focus (why have you chosen this area of focus?)
- c. State your topic (general):
 - 1.) Limit/refine scope in 8c.
 - 2.) Further limitation/refinement of scope in 8c.1.
 - 3.) Further limitation/refinement of scope in 8c.2.
(Any further limitation/refinement needed?)
- d. Repeat steps 8a through 8c as many times as you feel necessary to discover the best focus for your doctoral project or thesis

9. Is my effort a project or a thesis?