



Area Team Fast Start Training

Learn about Trail Life USA's Foundation and Program:

- **Trail Life USA Why, How, What**
 - View The [Trail to Here](#) (2013 Convention) and [Lift Your Eyes](#) (2016 Convention)
 - Review general information on the Trail Life USA website:
 - [Who We Are](#); [FAQs](#); [Program Overview](#); [Board of Directors and Executive Staff](#)
- **Trail Life USA Core Values**
 - Review our [Core Values](#)
 - View the [Core Values Video](#)
- **The Organization - Home Office, Regions, Area Team Support:**
 - [Levels of Support](#)
 - [Troop Support Structure and Leadership](#)

Learn about the Role of Area Team Members:

- Read and study [Point Man 101](#)
- Know that your Point Man and Regional Team Leaders serve as mentors
- Know what [Resources your Area Team Provides](#)
- Know that each Area needs at least a [Power Team 3](#) (minimum Area Committee to function effectively)
- Connect and Communicate: communication occurs via broadcast email, webinars, videos, phone, [blog posts](#), dashboard announcements (in Trail Life Connect), [Twitter](#), Facebook (Troop and Area pages, [main page](#), [forum group](#), Point Man group), websites ([TLUSA main site](#), [TLUSA store](#)), Trail Life Connect Resources, and in person at [events](#) like the Parent and Leader Convention, Trail Leader Trainings, Trail Ready Learner Conferences (TRLC), and Point Man and Area Team Trainings.
- Participate in a TLUSA [Troop Fast Start Training](#), hopefully in person led by an experience direct-contact Troop Leader in an online session led by a qualified Area Team member.
- Determine with your mentor/coach what support role best suits your skill set and schedule).
- Know what a Thriving Area is, and seek to make yours one: [Area Trail Tracks](#)

Learn about Supporting Troop Operations:

- Become familiar with all Trail Life Connect Troop Resources
- Learn about [How a Troop is Chartered and Operates](#), [Troop Level Positions](#), [Chartering FAQs](#); [Ready, Set, Charter!](#)
- Discover Resources at www.traillifeconnect.com; search Resources by Title & Description, search using Tags, or filter search by Category

Whatever your role on the Area Team, the following are applicable to all team members:

- Become a uniformed TLUSA member, wearing white (Area) shoulder loops (request from your Point Man)
- Wear your TLUSA Member ID Card/Lanyard to all activities and events
- Continue to participate in online/in-person Area Team meetings and activities
- Be available to assist Troop or Area Leaders in your realm of expertise
- Continually grow as an information-seeker; remain teachable