Boy Scouts of America announces gender-neutral 'Scouting America' name change

May 7 (UPI) — Boy Scouts of America is rebranding to Scouting America to reflect its commitment to welcoming all youth, BSA officials announced in a news release Tuesday.

"Though our name will be new, our mission remains unchanged," said Roger Krone, president and CEO of Scouting America. "We are committed to teaching young people to be prepared for life."

He said the name change marks an evolutionary change for BSA and ensures everyone feels welcomed by Scouting America.

The rebranding effort also comes after BSA last year emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy and in 2021 agreed to an \$850 million settlement with tens of thousands of former members who said they were sexually abused while participating in Scouting activities.

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