

## Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road

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Please contact us if you need anything from information, to support, to ideas.

We are here to help!



### **Gold Award Girl Scouts:**

- •Earn more college scholarships
- •Enter the military at a higher rank
- •Make the world a better place





## **The Girl Scout Gold Award**

The Girl Scout Gold Award represents the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. It symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, and personal development. Today's Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors working toward their Gold Awards use their vision for change to complete a project that is measurable, sustainable and that will make positive differences in their communities and beyond.



# YOUR ROLE AS A COMMUNITY PROJECT ADVISOR

A Girl Scout Gold Award project advisor is chosen by a Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador to help plan and implement her project. As the project advisor, you provide guidance, experience, and expertise to the girl as she works to complete her project. Your signature will be required on her project proposal and final report.

Your primary responsibility is to partner with a girl to support her in completing her project.

If you require additional assistance at any time during the award process, contact Katie Mauldin, Community and Events Program Manager. She can provide you with background information about Girl Scouts, including policies and best practices.

### **The Girl Scout Gold Award**

The highest achievement in Girl Scouting

- 9th–12th grades
- Each girl must be a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador.
- Girls must complete two Journeys (Senior or Ambassador), OR earn the Silver Award and complete one Journey.
- Working as an individual, girls research root causes of a community issue and develop a lasting solution. Throughout the Take Action project process, girls demonstrate extraordinary leadership.



# **KEY COMPONENTS OF THE GOLD AWARD**

- Addresses the root cause of an issue
- Shows vision and passion
- Positive impact on the community
- Creates measurable and sustainable change
- Community connection and interaction
- Leadership
- 80+ hours

# Take Action vs. Community Service

The Gold Award should be Take Action Projects that make a sustainable impact on the community.

Below are examples of service that **do not** meet the standards of the Gold Award.

- Helping with something that is already in place i.e. volunteering in existing roles.
- Major decisions have been made by someone other than the Gold Award candidate and she is following someone else's directions
- Collecting and donating items, or beautification and renovation; this equals a one time response to an ongoing issue. If there is an added educational or awareness component the project could be considered.

Please contact Katie Mauldin,
Community and Events Program Manager if you have
questions or need help brainstorming a solution for any
of the standards.

