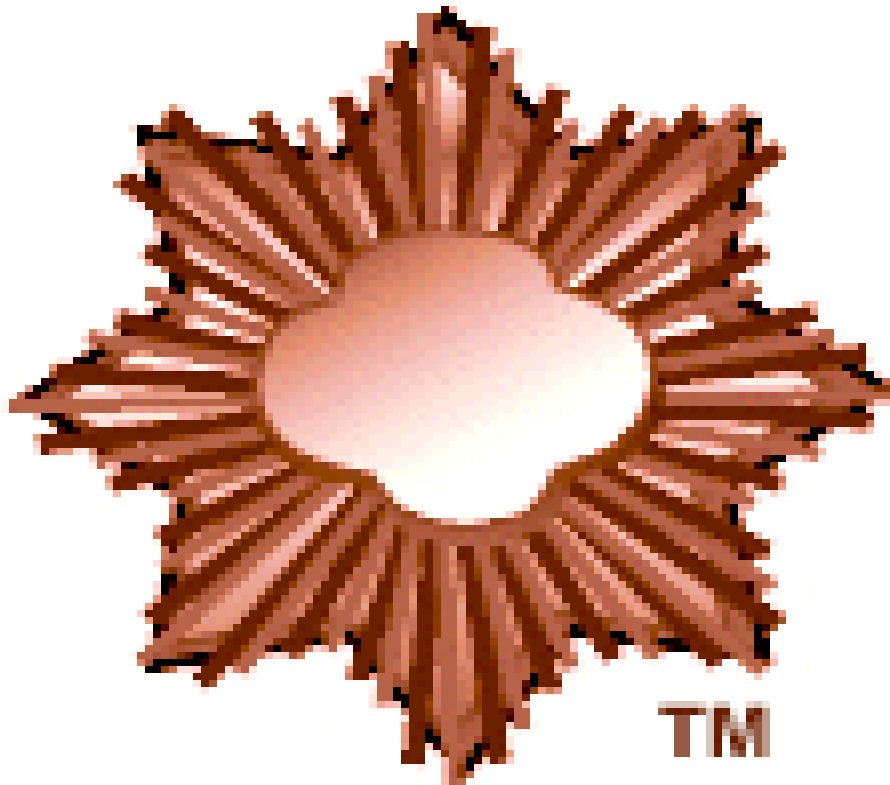


The Girl Scout
BRONZE AWARD



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Dear Junior Girl Scout:

Congratulations on your decision to earn the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can earn, the Bronze Award.

Enclosed you will find the information and forms necessary to earn the Bronze Award. Please note that your completed Bronze Award Final Report, Action Plan, Photo and Log Sheet should be sent to the Council within 30 days of completing your Bronze Award project. Your final report must be received by February 1st to be recognized at this year's district recognition event.

The contents of this packet, the Junior Handbook, and Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. website are intended to help you better understand the Bronze Award process.

Your desire to pursue the Girl Scout Bronze Award demonstrates your interest in developing leadership and caring for the people around you. We thank you for using your skills to make the world a better place.

Good Luck!

Yours in Girl Scouting,

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WHY SHOULD I GO FOR THE GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD?

Here are some of the reasons that Junior Girl Scouts decide to earn the Bronze Award:

- ❖ They want to learn leadership and planning skills.
- ❖ They want to make a positive impact on the community.
- ❖ They want to help others.
- ❖ They want to improve their community and the world.
- ❖ They want to be the best person they can be.

Why do you want to earn the Bronze Award? Write your answer below. Read it whenever you need to focus or get some extra energy for your project!



How to Earn the Bronze Award

The first three requirements of the award help you build skills and will prepare you for the fourth requirement, a Girl Scout Bronze Award project. While working on your Bronze Award, you are doing many things; you are growing as a leader, your skills and talents are unfolding, and, you are creating a project that uses your abilities to serve others.

- 1. Earn two badges related to the Bronze Award Project.**
- 2. Complete one of the Girl Scout Signs found in the Junior Girl Scout Handbook (pages 190-197).**
- 3. Earn the Junior Aide Award, the Junior Leadership Award, or two of these badges:**
 - ❖ Girl Scouting in the USA**
 - ❖ Girl Scouting Around the World**
 - ❖ Girl Scouting in My Future**
 - ❖ Lead On**
- 4. Complete a Girl Scout Bronze Award project. Your project must demonstrate that you understand the leadership skills you have learned as a Junior Girl Scout and a commitment to your community. The project must show that you understand and live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law.**

The project should:

- ❖ Take about 15 hours to complete (including the planning time). Doing the project should take seven to eight hours.**
- ❖ Follow the Action plan in the “Adventures in Girl Scouting” chapter of the Junior Girl Scout Handbook.**

❖ **Provide community service inside or outside Girl Scouting.**

**MYSTIFIED, STUMPED,
WONDERING WHERE TO START?
Never Fear Help Is Near!**

Here are a few places you can look for ideas.

- ❖ Junior Girl Scout Handbook
- ❖ www.girlscouts.org
- ❖ www.gogirlsonly.org
- ❖ www.scoutingweb.com
- ❖ Girl Scout Promise and Law
- ❖ <http://www.kidslist.uc.edu/kidslist/gs.html>
- ❖ Newspaper
- ❖ Internet
- ❖ Ask your Teacher for ideas



BUILDING ON YOUR PROJECT IDEA

Once you have an idea in mind for your Bronze Award project, make sure it will meet all of the requirements for a project.

1. The project will take at least 15 hours to complete (this may include up to 7-8 hours of planning time).
2. Note: If more than one Junior Girl Scouts is working on the same Bronze Award project, each Scout must meet each of the requirements. For example, if five girls are working together, they must put in 15 hours each and show exactly what each has accomplished. They cannot divide the time or requirements.
3. The project must provide community service.
4. Follow the Action Plan in the “Adventures of Girl Scouting” chapter of the Junior Girl Scout Handbook or in this packet.
5. The project is a new service project that you or your troop has done to earn this award, not something that has been done already.
6. Follow safety rules! Check Safety-Wise and other applicable safety publications.
7. Be organized! Keep track of your work and the hours you spend on your project as you do them.
8. Be sure that the first three requirements are done before going on to the Bronze Award Project.
9. Keep your leader or advisor informed. NEVER be afraid to ask questions!



BRONZE AWARD ACTION PLAN

This form is based on the Action Plan found in the Junior Girl Scout Handbook.

Name: _____ Troop #: _____

STEP 1. BRAINSTORM IDEAS

List some ideas you have for a project. You can come up ideas on your own; ask your friends, a leader, or others to help you. Put a star by the ideas you like best.

STEP 2. DECIDE

Think about each of the ideas above. Which idea includes things that really interest you? Which ones can be accomplished with 15 hours of work? Which idea meets the greatest need? Consider all of these questions. If none of the ideas work, try brainstorming with someone again until you find a project you like. Write your choice below.

STEP 3. GET INFORMATION

Now it is time to ask the important questions: Who? What? Where? When? Why? How? Talk to your leader, community members, other Girl Scouts, or Girl Scout staff to get the information you need to finish each of the following lines.

I am doing this project because _____

To do this project, I need equipment like _____



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These people can help me: _____

I need to get permission from: _____

I should work with groups like: _____

For this project we will meet: _____

I think this project will cost: _____

If there is a cost, I will pay for it by: _____

This person will help me with transportation to and from the _____

I will know if I did a good job if: _____

For this project, the safety issues are: _____

Other important information I thought about/gathered: _____



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STEP 4. PLAN

I plan to start this project on _____

I plan to finish this project on: _____

People I need to meet with: (include names and dates of meetings you set up):

STEP 5. PUT YOUR IDEAS INTO ACTION

List the names of all people and committees who are working on your project with you, and briefly describe what they are responsible for.

STEP 6. EVALUATE WHAT WAS DONE

Evaluation is an important part of planning any project. Finish the following sentences to evaluate your work.

The thing I like best about my project was: _____

If I could do one thing differently, it would be: _____

I would or would not do this project again because: _____



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STEP 7. SHARE YOUR SUCCESS

Check off each item as you do it, writing the date it was completed.

- Send a thank you to all who helped. _____

- Celebrate your success. _____

Don't forget to celebrate the wonderful things you have done! The Bronze Award is a great accomplishment! Here are some ways you can share the fun with family and friends: plan a ceremony, write something for the Council newsletter, do a press release, share your success (offer to speak to other Junior Troops or Brownie troops about what you did). Can't write an article, or need some help, we will help you at the council, just ask!

- Tell your Girl Scout Council about your success. _____

CONGRATULATIONS



BRONZE AWARD FINAL REPORT

Turn into your Council Office within 30 days from project completion.

Name: _____ Troop #: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Grade: _____ School: _____ Leader/Advisor: _____

BADGES EARNED

1. _____
2. _____

How these badges are related to my project: _____

Leader/Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

GIRL SCOUT SIGN EARNED: _____

By doing this Sign, I learned that I can: _____

LEADERSHIP

I earned the: ___ **Junior Aide Patch** or the ___ **Junior Leadership Award** or completed the following:

___ **Two Badges** 1. _____ 2. _____

(Badges would include Lead On, G.S. Around the World, G.S. in the U.S.A., and G.S. in My Future)

What I learned _____

Describe your Bronze Award project. How long did it take? Who did it help?

- Attach a copy of your Action Plan.
- Please submit a head and shoulders photo. This will be used for Girl Scout publications.
- Attach the log sheet



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Please fill out using a word-processing program, type, or print in black ink. Make copies for your Girl Scout Bronze Award Project Advisor and for yourself to keep. Turn the original into the Council within 30 days of completing the Bronze Award Project.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Troop/Group Advisor: _____ Troop/Group Number: _____

Troop/Group Advisor's Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

*Please submit a head and shoulders photo, no larger than the square on the right.
This will be used for Girl Scout publications.*

PHOTO CONSENT

*I hereby consent that this photograph may
be used by Girl Scouts—Dakota Horizons
and/or Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.*

Girl Scout's Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

