

MAKE YOUR MARK

The gold award can be a lot of fun. You'll meet many new people, learn great things about yourself and your capabilities, put all of your leadership skills into action, and, best of all, make your mark in your community.

A Girl Scout Gold Award Project can make a lasting change for the better in your community.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest achievement for Girl Scouts ages 14–17 or in grades 9–12. When you go for the Girl Scout Gold Award, you will design and lead a project that takes at least 65 hours, including “planning and doing” time, to complete.

Not only will you gain a personal sense of accomplishment and benefit your community, but you will also be joining a network of tens of thousands of powerful and accomplished women who have earned this honor. You'll find that colleges and universities, businesses, and your community recognize the effort and leadership you have demonstrated. In fact, some colleges and universities offer scholarships to girls who have earned their Girl Scout Gold Award.

And while earning the Girl Scout Gold Award, you'll earn three other awards as well.

See “The Girl Scout Gold Award at-a-Glance” on page 38 for all of the steps. Track what you do in the spaces provided.

“My most important advice is to have fun. Enjoy every minute of your work or it won't be meaningful to you.”

—Jennifer, 17