

Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards—At a Glance

AWARDS	GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD®
GRADE	Girls must be in 4 th or 5 th grade and a registered Girl Scout Junior	Girls must be in 6 th , 7 th , or 8 th grade and a registered Girl Scout Cadette	Girls must be in 9 th , 10 th , 11 th , or 12 th grade and a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador
OVERVIEW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete a Junior Journey ✓ Be part of a team where girls take the lead ✓ Take action on a community issue the team cares about ✓ Help and guidance provided by troop volunteer ✓ Each girl completes 20 hours working on the final Bronze Award project <p>*Council approval needed for any money earning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete a Cadette Journey ✓ Work as an individual or in a small group where girls take the lead ✓ Take action on a community issue that the girls care about ✓ Help and guidance provided by troop volunteer ✓ Each girl completes 50 hours working on the final Silver Award project <p>*Project proposal must be submitted and approved by the council before starting work on the project.</p> <p>*Council approval needed for any money earning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete two Journeys (Senior or Ambassador) or earn the Silver Award and complete one Senior or Ambassador Journey ✓ Individually girl led; girl selects and recruits project advisor ✓ Take action on a community issue the girl cares about, outside of the Girl Scout community ✓ Help and guidance provided by project advisor ✓ Girl completes 80 hours working on the final Gold Award project <p>*Project proposals must be submitted and approved at the Gold Award presentation before starting.</p> <p>*Council approval needed for any money earning</p>
TAKE ACTION PROJECT	<p>Group Take Action Project focuses on something the girls care about that they would like to improve within their Girl Scout or local community.</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p>Individual or group Take Action Project that makes the local neighborhood or community better.</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p>Individual Take Action Project that makes a lasting difference in the local community, region, or beyond.</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>
SUSTAINABLE	After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of sustainability by talking together about how solutions can be lasting.	Girls demonstrate an understanding of sustainability in the project plan and implementation.	Take Action Project includes provisions to ensure sustainability.
GLOBAL	After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of the wider world by talking together about how others may experience the same problem that their project helped resolve.	Girls connect with new friends outside their immediate community, learn how others have solved similar problems and determine if the ideas of others can help with their plan.	Girls identify national and/or global links to their selected issue. They learn from others and develop a plan to share the results of their project beyond the local community.
PROJECT APPROVAL	Troop Volunteer	Council staff	Council staff and/or volunteer Gold Award Committee
RESOURCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Journey • Bronze Award guidelines on River Valley Web site • Council learning opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Girl Scout Bronze Award Workshop or Take Action Workshop ○ Take Action Basics and Take Action Highest Awards Adult Trainings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cadette Journey • Silver Award guidelines on River Valley Web site • Council learning opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Girl Scout Silver Award Workshop or Take Action Workshop ○ Take Action Basics and Take Action Highest Awards Adult Trainings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior and/or Ambassador Journeys • Gold Award guidelines on River Valley Web site • Council learning opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Girl Scout Bronze Award Workshop or Take Action Workshop ○ Take Action Basics and Take Action Highest Awards Adult Trainings

TRANSITION – GIRLS WHO START WORKING ON THESE AWARDS (INCLUDING PRE-REQUISITES) AFTER JANUARY 1, 2010 MUST FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES.