

Girl Scout Bronze Award®

Highest Award for Junior Girl Scouts

The Girl Scout Bronze Award, the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can earn, requires her to learn the leadership and planning skills necessary to follow through on a project that makes a positive impact on her community. Working towards this award demonstrates her commitment to helping others, improving her community and the world, and becoming the best she can be.



Girls may work on the award individually or in a group. All of the requirements for the Bronze Award must be met before leaving Junior Girl Scouts. However, earning a Bronze Award is not a prerequisite for the Girl Scout Silver Award (for Girl Scouts 11-14) or the Girl Scout Gold Award (for Girl Scouts 14-17).

Requirements

The Bronze Award has four requirements. To receive the award, a Junior Girl Scout must complete the first three before undertaking the Bronze Award project.

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*.
3. Earn the Junior Aide Award, the Junior Girl Scout 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 that demonstrates the leadership skills she has learned as a Junior Girl Scout and a commitment to her community. The project must show she understands and lives by the Girl Scout Promise and Law. The project should:
 - Take about 15 hours to complete (including planning time). Doing the project should take at least seven to eight hours.
 - Follow the Action Plan in the "Adventures in Girl Scouting" chapter of the *Junior Girl Scout Handbook* (2001).
 - Provide community service inside or outside Girl Scouting.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Girl Scout Bronze Award was created by a troop of Junior Girl Scouts from an individual council and introduced at Girl Scouts of the USA's 2001 National Meeting of Presidents and Executive Directors in Savannah, Georgia.

For more information, see the *Junior Girl Scout Handbook*.

Tips

- Read the Bronze Award project requirements before deciding on a project.
- Work closely with a Girl Scout leader or advisor to complete the requirements.
- Follow all national and council guidelines for fund raising.
- Follow all guidelines in *Safety-Wise*.
- Document personal work and hours put into the project, if done in a group.
- Recruit an advisor with special skills for the project—a leader or the council can help.
- Choose only a new service project to fulfill requirements. Don't use a project already completed.

Completing the Award

Leaders or advisors helping with the Bronze Award will decide if the girls have fulfilled the requirements and chosen an appropriate project. Girls are not required to have projects approved by their Girl Scout council or anyone other than a leader or the person helping with Girl Scout activities. Leaders can purchase the Bronze Award for girls and present it, or girls may participate in a ceremony sponsored by a local council.