

Girl Scouts North Carolina Coastal Pines invites girls, families, and volunteers to stay involved while at home. We know that today's girl is ready to pivot on a moment's notice and is willing to embrace new ways to explore Girl Scouting. That's why we're promoting these options for engaging with us while you're at home today ... or any day!

STEM encourages Girl Scouts to look at the world around them with inquisitive eyes, experiment, push boundaries and learn as they go! Each Friday check out our activities, stories, and videos aimed at helping girls become better problem-solvers, critical thinkers, and inspirational leaders. Join the conversation online. **#OurGSNCCPCommunity**



Think Like a Citizen Scientist Journey

Girl Scouts of all levels can explore the scientific method while contributing to research projects conducted by scientists around the world. **Citizen science** is research contributed by communities to enhance the scale or depth of a study. When communities collaborate with scientists, we all learn more about our world and what we can do to make it a better place!

[Check out the attached Activity Guide](#) for guidance on supporting Daisy, Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts as they earn the Think Like a Citizen Scientist Journey.

Taking Action

In order to complete all requirements of the Think Like a Citizen Scientist Journey, girls will need to plan and carry out a Take Action Project. Take Action projects are designed to be sustainable. This means they continue addressing a problem even after the project is over!

To learn more about how to guide Girl Scouts through planning their Take Action project, check out [this guide from GSUSA](#) about the difference between service and Take Action.

Everyday Citizen Science

Girl Scouts is excited to partner with SciStarter in offering [specific projects](#) for girls to take part in as part of their Think Like a Citizen Scientist Journey. SciStarter's platform is designed to help troop leaders to manage their troop's project experience—if you are interested in guiding your troop through the Journey virtually, check out the [SciStarter Volunteer Landing Page](#) and be sure to review the Think Like a Citizen Scientist meeting plans in the VTK for additional guidance.

Girls can participate in SciStarter projects individually - just sign up for a free account on SciStarter.org. Another great resource for girls and families looking to engage with citizen science is [Zooniverse](#)—a wide variety of projects, ranging from space science to history can be found on this database.

Need a copy of a Journey, badge requirements or want to order patches? While our shops are closed, please feel free to [shop online](#) or [email](#) us for merchandise needs. We will provide free shipping within in our council footprint on orders emailed to us (please provide phone number in email so we can call you for payment details).