# Growing Sisterhood Patch

Presented by GS-NCCP, the Growing Sisterhood Patch is an exciting a new patch program for girls and volunteers. Through this patch program, current Girl Scout families will be able to introduce Girl Scouts to new families within their community. The patch will continue to "bloom" year after year as you continue the Girl Scout Mission! Patches are limited!!! Want to earn yours? Opt in soon!

To earn the Growing Sisterhood patch follow the steps below:

# First steps, how to earn the base or trunk of your tree.

• <u>Click on this link</u> and complete the reflection form questionnaire to opt into the program and receive your tree base. roop and Individually registered girl and adult members are all eligible to opt in. The base will be mailed to troop leaders and individually registered members who have completed the opt in form.

### Next steps, here comes the fun part, how to earn your leaves!

• Each year you will have the opportunity to earn an additional leaf for your tree, you will only be eligible for 1 leaf each year. Below you will find the actionable items to choose from. When completed please submit this reflection form to receive this year's 2024 leaf.

# Actionable items to choose from, you must complete 4 from the list below.

- Discover: Who in your school or community is looking to join Girl Scouts? Identify girls in K-12th who want to start their adventure! Invite them to visit our website to join. When completing your reflection form enter the name of the interested new girl or adult. Follow up with your new friend to see if they need help joining!
- Connect: What makes Girl Scouting special? Work with your troop leader to invite new members to join your troop's meeting to sample it out. Invite them to visit our website to join. When completing your reflection form enter the name of the interested new girl or adult. Follow up with your new friend to see if they need help joining!
- Help with a recruitment event! Check with your area Membership Director/Manager to find out about your community's upcoming events or maybe host your own! They will be able to provide you with options to attend and the supplies you will need. When completing your reflection form please answer all event questions asked.
- Wear your Girl Scout uniform, t-shirts, jackets etc... for three of the following (feel free to choose one of each or all three of the same) A few options to school, community events, community parks, family friendly businesses etc... When completing your reflection form please list all three of the options you chose.
- Participate in a local community parade and wear your uniform.
- Do a presentation at school, church, community group etc.. about Girl Scouts. Share why you participate and answer questions. Provide interested new members with information on how to join or invite them to visit the website.
- Attend a community event to represent Girls Scouts in your uniform. This could include ideas such as a flag ceremony, proclamation, community celebrations, etc...
- Recruit new friends at cookie booths, make sure to partner with your Membership Director/Manager for items and materials to use.
- Make a poster of what you think makes Girl Scouts exciting and post at your school or a community partner (ask for permission of course)

**Give Back:** Support another girl on her journey as a Girl Scout by donating money to the Girl Scouts Give campaign. As a troop or individually, set a goal for the year to earn money for this amazing campaign that provides financial assistance to other girls in our council. You can even work towards our Girl Scouts Give patch, click <u>here</u> for more information.

### Want to share your story?

We would love to hear from you! After submitting your reflection form you will receive a confirmation email. On this email you will find a link to submit a summary of your growing sisterhood efforts. You can even submit a picture. We may even use your reflection on our Social Media pages or Volunteer Newsletter.

