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Philanthropy: the love of (wo)mankind.

Or, according to the Brownie Philanthropist badge,

"Philanthropist? That's just a big word for someone who
makes sure people have what they need!"

Dear Girl Scout,

The purpose of the *Girl Scouts Give* patch program is to help you understand the importance of supporting your Girl Scout Sisters through investments of your **TIME**, **TALENT**, and **TREASURE**. Through this patch program, you will learn ways to be a philanthropist, how to be a sister to every Girl Scout, why donating to Girl Scouts is important, and how to use things you're doing every day to create good.

The *Girl Scouts Give* patch program is open to all Girl Scout grade levels – Daisy through Ambassador-but this guide is targeted toward older girls (Cadette-Ambassador). This program will guide you in meeting the Discover, Connect and Take Action requirements of the Girl Scouts Give patch program. You will need to complete #1-6 below to meet all requirements

So, without further ado, let's go—be a sister to every Girl Scout!

Before you start:

Print the "So All Girls Can" sign

Resources:

- Girl Scouts Give Bingo Card
- Troop Goal-Setting Worksheet
- Girl Goal-Setting Worksheet
- Girl Scouts Give Pen Pals sign up
- Girl Scouts Give Friends sign up

Getting Started:

#1- Let's kick off this activity by reciting the Girl Scout Law

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.



Discover

#2- Read the following passage and then draw or list your three favorite Girl Scouts memories.

For girls. By girls. Every day, Girl Scouts unleash the power of G.I.R.L. to make amazing things happen.

When you think of Girl Scouts, you might think cookies, campfires, and friendship bracelets. And sure, those things are all part of this exciting, life-altering journey, but there's so much more to it! Girl Scouts are big thinkers, groundbreakers, and role models. They design robots, start garage bands, and improve their communities—and yes, they sell the best cookies on the planet.

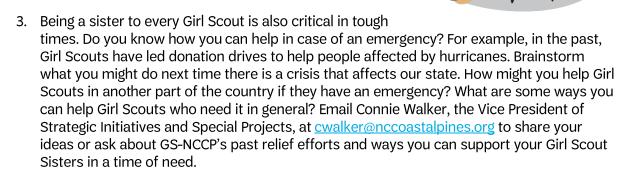
Everything a Girl Scout does—whether it's climbing mountains, speaking her mind, or dreaming up new technology—has been developed especially for, and is tested by, girls. Girl Scouts is a world where girls can do, and be, whatever they dream. Girl Scouts is for

girls who want to change the world, run a business, speak up for others, explore the outdoors, and/or soar with STEM.

Take it to the next step and reflect on your Girl Scouting experiences. What has being a Girl Scout meant to you? What have you learned through Girl Scouting? How have you changed since you first joined Girl Scouts? Talk or journal about your experiences.

#3- The importance of inclusion (Complete all 3)

- 1. Research GS-NCCP's 41-county footprint. Here are some data to help lead this discussion. How are the counties different cities vs small towns, types of jobs, where are the biggest colleges, how far do people have to drive to go to the grocery store/a gas station/a restaurant/church? How does it differ from where you live? Are there parts of the 41-counties that are more affluent or more economically disadvantaged? Are there parts of your county that are? How do these things impact girls?
- 2. Based on what you learned about girls who come from different backgrounds, discuss what inclusion means to you? Why is being inclusive important as part of Girl Scouts? How can we use parts of the Girl Scout Law to practice this (i.e.: considerate & caring, courageous & strong, respect myself & others, make the world a better place, be a sister to every Girl Scout)?



Connect

#4- Learn about Philanthropy

Choose (at least) 1

1. Q&A Phone Call (10 minutes): Culture of Philanthropy 101 with a member of GS-NCCP's fund development team or Girl Scouts Give Champion.

Determine which G.I.R.L. will lead each question.

- Share: with your guest what you learned about donations what is a donation? What does it mean to contribute your time, talent and treasure?
- Ask: What is your job at GS-NCCP?
- Ask: Who gives money to GS-NCCP?
- Ask: How does GS-NCCP fundraise?
- Ask: How does GS-NCCP use those resources to support financial assistance?
- Optional: this can be done in advance of the call & "pitched" to guest, brainstormed with the guest, or saved for the next portion of the meeting. Brainstorm how your troop will save/earn money to help other girls be Girl Scouts. A few ideas include:

It's easy to save & earn money!



Penny Power! Robeson County Wars, saving over \$200!



Earn Money by practicing a skill you've learned Last year troops in through your badge work. These competed in Penny babysitters certified this summer at Camp Hardee are up to the task!



Celebrate Juliette's Birthday Girl Scout Sister. just like an Orange County Girl Scout who gave a gift in honor of her friend!



Thanks-A-Lot New Hanover or the birthday of a County challenged troops to share 1% of their cookie proceeds!



Serve then

Share 7 troops from Wake 22 earned over \$400 by helping to serve dinner at the church that hosts many of their troop meetings!

- 2. Get to know a GS-NCCP donor! Fill out the Girl Scouts Give Pen Pal form (https://gsnccp.wufoo.com/forms/s8e0dyl1lr9pbw/) to be matched to a local philanthropist who supports our council. Once you're matched, send them a letter or email to learn why they support Girl Scouting, what other causes are important to them, and how they decide where to give their time, talent, and treasure.
- 3. Learn about a famous philanthropist. Research a famous philanthropist, living or dead. What did they support with their philanthropy? How did their philanthropic interests reflect their careers or passions? Do they have their own foundation? If so, what kind of work does it do? Create a collage or presentation about what you learned to share with your troop or parents. Bonus: See if you can find a way to contact the philanthropist or their foundation. Write them a letter or email about what you're learning about philanthropy and ask for their advice on how you can become a philanthropist and make a difference. If you get a response, make sure to share it with us!

Take Action

#5- Make your plan- Now it's time to determine how you're going to take everything you learned and put it into action. Think back to your brainstorming activity about ways you can be a sister to every Girl Scout. Are there any you want to try as part of your action plan?

Choose (at least) 1:

1. Get to know Girl Scouts who are different from you. Sign up for the GSG Friends program (https://gsnccp.wufoo.com/forms/w1uffogw07xias2/). You'll be matched with another troop or Juliette from a different area so you can correspond throughout the year. Use phone, video chat, or email to talk them to learn more about their families, their friends, their community, the things they like to do, and their Girl Scout experience. Be sure to think about your similarities and differences! Council staff will send you prompts every month to serve as conversation starters. From there, what you talk about is up to you!

2. Set a goal for how you want to help a local girl.

Remember you favorite Girl Scout memories you listed before? Your troop can make a donation to make sure other girls get a chance to have similar experiences. Consider adding up the experiences you love in order to determine how much you want to donate - Start with her membership: \$25; for every activity: add \$25; for every event, trip or project: add \$50; to help send her to summer camp: add \$150. Then, discuss how you'll save and earn money to pay on your pledge. You can use the troop goal-setting worksheet to help. You can also get ideas and earn fun rewards using the Girl Scouts Give bingo card. More information and the link to make your pledge can be found here: https://gsnccp.org/GirlScoutsGive



Alternatively, each girl can determine her contribution and roll it up to make your troop's pledge. Use the girl goal-setting worksheet to help. Ideas can include: "bringing \$1 to every meeting", "using some allowance money", "using some of my savings", "doing my chores and some extra things like washing a car." Have them give one copy to you and keep one to share with their parents. Make a Girl Scouts Give "piggy bank" to bring to troop meetings to collect their contributions. Encourage a different girl to take the bank home after each meeting to practice responsibility.

3. Create a presentation on what you learned about Girl Scouts across GS-NCCP, philanthropy, and giving back to share with your parents. Invite them to your next troop meeting or each girl can share it at home. Pro tip: Consider asking parents to match what the girls have decided to contribute.

#6- Closing

Complete the "so all girls can" signs & take a picture (individually and/or as a troop). If applicable, complete your troop's pledge to give other local girls a Girl Scout experience.



Troop leaders: please considering sharing your work (presentations, action plan, etc.) and pictures with GirlScoutsGive@nccoastalpines.org so we can give a shout out to your troop! You can also share letters from your Pen Pals or GSG Friends. Spreading the story of your troop's philanthropy will encourage more troops to pursue the Girl Scouts Give patch program! Click here to evaluate this program and order your patches.

