

Girl Awards: Badges, Patches and Pins

Highest Awards

- Girl Scout Juniors earn the Girl Scout Bronze Award by teaming up with other girls to make a difference in their communities.
- Girl Scout Cadettes earn the Girl Scout Silver Award by researching an issue, making a plan to address it and then taking action to improve their communities.
- Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting, by developing and carrying out lasting solutions to issues in their neighborhoods and beyond. Gold Award Girl Scouts truly are the world changers, rock stars, role models and real-life heroes we all look up to. Plus, they're amazing candidates for colleges, scholarships, competitive internship programs and exciting careers.

In addition to girl level badges, patches and the Highest Awards, girls can earn other recognitions through Girl Scouts and community organizations. The following pages showcase these awards.

National Leadership Awards

- Silver Torch Award
- Gold and Silver Torch Award
- Gold Torch Award
- Community Service Bar
- Service to Girl Scouting

Silver Torch Award

This award recognizes Girl Scout Cadettes who act as leaders in their community. There are two steps to this award: complete a Girl Scout Journey and serve for one full term in a leadership position.



Gold and Silver Torch Award

This award recognizes Girl Scout Seniors who act as leaders in their community. There are two steps to this award: complete a Girl Scout Journey and serve for one full term in a leadership position.

Gold Torch Award

This award recognizes Girl Scout Ambassadors who act as leaders in their community. There are two steps to this award: complete a Girl Scout Journey and serve for one full term in a leadership position.

Community Service Bar

Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors can earn a Community Service bar by making a difference in their community. To earn this award, girls choose a community organization to work with and complete at least 20 hours of service. Fill out the [Community Service Bar Approval Form](#) to get council approval before you begin.



Service to Girl Scouting Bar

Girls at this level often volunteer to help at service unit or council events with younger girls or other special projects. Girls will receive this award by volunteering at least 20 hours to the Girl Scout organization.



Meritorious Service Awards

- Medal of Honor
- Bronze Cross

These National Lifesaving Awards honor girls who find themselves in life-threatening emergencies. They were created as a way to honor Girl Scouts for their acts of heroism and extraordinary risk in saving lives.

- [Instructions](#)
- [Application](#)
- [Narrative Statement](#)

Medal of Honor

This award is given to a Girl Scout who has shown presence of mind and true Girl Scout spirit in saving a life or attempting to save a life without risk to the candidate's own life.



Bronze Cross

This award is given to a girl who has shown extraordinary heroism for saving a life or attempting to save a life with risk to the candidate's own life.



Mentoring Awards

- Junior Aide
- Leader in Action (LiA)
- Cadette Program Aide (PA)
- Counselor-in-Training 1 (CIT I)
- Counselor-in-Training II (CIT II)
- Volunteer-in-Training (VIT)

Junior Aide

Girl Scout Juniors can earn this mentoring award by making and completing a plan to work with Girl Scout Daisies or Brownies on one of their Journeys.

Leader in Action (LiA)

Girl Scout Cadettes earn the LiA Award by assisting Girl Scout Brownies to complete a Journey. There are LiA Awards for the Brownie Quest, WOW: Wonders of Water and A World of Girls, Think Like an Engineer, Computer Science: Think Like a Programmer, Outdoor STEM: Think Like a Citizen Scientist and Outdoor. Complete requirements for the awards are in the Brownie Leadership Journey Adult Guides.



Cadette Program Aide (PA)

There are three steps to earn this mentoring award – earn one LiA Award, complete the GSCP2P PA Training Course and work directly with younger girls over six activity sessions (one-hour sessions are suggested).



Counselor-in-Training 1 (CIT I)

Girl Scout Seniors build skills toward becoming a camp counselor and earn this award by mentoring younger girls in a camp setting. GSCP2P Girl Scouts may complete GSCP2P CIT Training and work with younger girls at camp.



Counselor-in-Training II (CIT II)

Girl Scout Ambassadors who have earned the CIT Award focus on increasing their skills in one specific area, such as lifeguarding or the arts, and earn this award by working with younger girls in a camp setting. GSCP2P Girl Scouts may complete CIT I at camp and work with younger girls at camp.



Volunteer-in-Training (VIT)

Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors who would like to mentor a Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior or Cadette group outside of camp can earn this award. There are three steps to this award: work with an adult mentor, complete training and create and implement a program for girls based on a Journey or badge.



Special Opportunity Awards

- The President's Volunteer Service Award
- Global Action Award
- World Thinking Day Award
- My Faith, My Promise
- Cookie Entrepreneurship Family Pin
- International Friendship Recognition Pin
- Safety Award
- Journey Summit Award
- Bridging Award

The President's Volunteer Service Award

This award recognizes United States citizens, including children 5 years old and up, who have achieved between 26 and 250 hours of service to their community over a 12-month time period.



Global Action Award

Learn more about how girls live around the world and make a better tomorrow for everyone. Find more details [here](#).

World Thinking Day Award

Girls take part in activities to honor and celebrate our global sisterhood around the world to earn this award. Learn more about World Thinking Day [here](#).

My Faith, My Promise

Girls of all grade levels can earn the *My Promise, My Faith* pin, which complements existing religious recognitions and allows girls to further strengthen the connection between their faith and Girl Scouts. Once each year, a girl can earn the *My Promise, My Faith* pin by carefully examining the Girl Scout Law and tying it directly to tenets of her faith.

Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pin

Make Girl Scout Cookie season a family affair! Earning Cookie Entrepreneur Family pins makes spending time with family easy, fun and even sweeter during cookie season. Learn more [here](#).

International Friendship Recognition Pin

Girl Scouts who live overseas can earn this award by doing activities that encourage international friendships with girls in their host country.

Safety Awards

Each Girl Scout level has its own set of requirements to teach girls how to stay safe at home, school and in their community.

Journey Summit Award

This award is earned by completing three Journeys for your Girl Scout level. Choose from It's Your World – Change It!, It's Your Planet – Love It!, It's Your Story – Tell It!, Engineering: Think Like an Engineer, Computer Science: Think Like a Programmer, Outdoor STEM: Think Like a Citizen Scientist and Outdoor.

Bridging Award

Girls earn this award by completing two steps: Pass It On - to share what they've learned with younger girls and Look Ahead - to learn from older girls about what great things will be happening in their next years of Girl Scouting.