

# Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards, at a Glance

AWARDS	GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD®
<b>GRADE</b>	Girls must be in 4 <sup>th</sup> or 5 <sup>th</sup> grade and a registered Girl Scout Junior	Girls must be in 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade and a registered Girl Scout Cadette	Girls must be in 9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , or 12 <sup>th</sup> grade and a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador
<b>OVERVIEW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Complete a Junior Journey</li> <li>✓ Be part of a troop or group where girls take the lead</li> <li>✓ Take action on a community issue the troop or group cares about</li> <li>✓ Help and guidance provided by troop/group volunteer</li> <li>✓ 20 hours minimum for steps 2 through 7</li> <li>✓ *Council approval needed for any money earning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Complete a Cadette Journey</li> <li>✓ Work as an individual or in a small group where girls take the lead</li> <li>✓ Take action on a community issue that the girls care about</li> <li>✓ Help and guidance provided by troop/group volunteer</li> <li>✓ 50 hours minimum for steps 2 through 8</li> <li>✓ *Council approval needed for any money earning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Complete two Journeys (Senior or Ambassador) <b>or</b> Earn the Silver Award and complete one Senior or Ambassador Journey</li> <li>✓ Individually girl led; girl selects and recruits Project Advisor</li> <li>✓ Take action on a community issue the girl cares about</li> <li>✓ Help and guidance provided by Project Advisor</li> <li>✓ 80 hours minimum for steps 1 through 7</li> <li>✓ *Council approval needed for any money earning</li> </ul>
<b>TAKE ACTION PROJECT</b>	<p>Group Take Action Project focuses on something the girls care about that they would like to improve within their Girl Scout or local community.</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p>Individual or <b>small group</b> Take Action Project that makes the local neighborhood or community better. (Beyond Girl Scout community)</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p><b>Individual</b> Take Action Project that makes a lasting difference in the local community, region, or beyond. (Beyond Girl Scout community)</p> <p>Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>
<b>SUSTAINABLE</b>	After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of sustainability by talking together about how solutions can be lasting.	Girls demonstrate an understanding of sustainability in the project plan and implementation.	Take Action Project includes provisions to ensure sustainability.
<b>GLOBAL</b>	After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of the wider world by talking together about how others may experience the same problem that their project helped resolve.	Girls connect with new friends outside their immediate community, learn how others have solved similar problems and determine if the ideas of others can help with their plan.	Girls identify national and/or global links to their selected issue. They learn from others and develop a plan to share the results of their project beyond the local community.
<b>PROJECT APPROVAL</b>	Troop/Group Volunteer	Troop/Group Volunteer	Council or Council's Gold Award Committee
<b>RESOURCES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junior Journey</li> <li>• Bronze Award guidelines on GSUSA Web site</li> <li>• Adult guide on GSUSA Web site</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cadette Journey</li> <li>• Silver Award guidelines on GSUSA Web site</li> <li>• Adult guide on GSUSA Web site</li> <li>• Council's Silver Award Seminar</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior and/or Ambassador Journeys</li> <li>• Gold Award guidelines on GSUSA Web site</li> <li>• Adult guide on GSUSA Web site</li> <li>• Council's Gold Award Seminar</li> </ul>

\*Adhere to guidelines in the Volunteer Packet and *Safety-Wise*

**TRANSITION** – THERE IS A 2 YEAR TRANSITION PERIOD. THESE GUIDELINES BECOME OFFICIAL IN OCTOBER 2011 (BEGINNING OF 2012 MEMBERSHIP YEAR). IF THE MAJORITY OF WORK WILL BE DONE DURING THE 2012 MEMBERSHIP YEAR, THESE NEW GUIDELINES SHOULD BE USED.