



Silver Award Process

Follow the process below to earn the Girl Scout Silver Award and ensure that the integrity and standards of excellence of the highest award for Girl Scout Cadettes are met.

Complete a Cadette Journey – Completing a Journey is a required pre-requisite and means earning all the awards and completing a Take Action Project in the Journey.

Attend a Going for the Silver training – The Going for the Silver training is a required pre-requisite. Trainings are offered virtually October through June.

Identify Issues you care about - Write down some issues that interest or concern you.

Build Your Girl Scout Team or Go Solo - Choose a small team or earn your award individually.

Explore Your Community - It's time to do some exploring to find out what your community needs and where your areas of interest and concern overlap with those needs.

Pick Your Take Action Project - Many issues are big and complicated! Narrow your focus by picking one aspect of your issue and then develop a solution to that problem.

Create Your Project Plan - Remember to keep it simple! A clear, focused and well thought-out plan can often be more sustainable than taking on a huge project. Build a list of what you need to do and how it can be done then figure out who will be doing what. Decide when each task needs to be completed.

Complete & Submit Your Proposal & Receive Feedback - Email your completed project proposal, to highestawards@gsmaine.org. Once your proposal is received, you will be contacted to schedule a phone interview to discuss your project.

Put Your Plan into Motion - Once your project has been approved, it's time to implement your project plan!

Reflect and Share Your Story - Tell others about your project, the issue it addressed, and the impact that it's having.

Complete & Submit the Silver Award Final Report - Submit your completed final report, log of hours, pictures, and/or videos of your project to highestawards@gsmaine.org.

Celebrate! Thank everyone who helped you and then decide if you want to receive your award at a local Troop or Service Unit Awards Ceremony or at the statewide Award Ceremony held in May.

Notes:

- All projects must be approved by GSME before the project plan is implemented.
- All steps including submission of paperwork must be completed by September 30th of the year the girl enters grade 9.
- A minimum of 50 project hours per girl, all focused on the same issue, is required.