

Girl Scout Silver Award



The Girl Scout Silver Award has been the highest earned recognition in Girl Scouting for teens 11-14 can earn since 1980. Girls may not start work on the Silver Award until they are ages 11-14 or in 6th through 8th grades. There are five components to the award:

1. **Step 1 – Organize** – Organize: Get Ready
 - **Read the workbook** “Girl Scout Silver Award Go For It!” (read sections “On Your Mind” pages 30-31 and “The Girl Scout Silver Award at-a-Glance” pages 32-33)
 - Meet with your advisor and develop a timeline.
 - Create an agreement with your adult advisor.
2. **Step 2 – Lead** - Earn the **Girl Scout Silver Leadership Award** (Four Steps).
 - Earn three (3) interest projects from the sets of values from the Girl Scout Law.
 - Set and reach your goals from the STUDIO 2B Focus book “Uniquely Me! The Real Deal.”
 - Spend 15 hours in a leadership role and track your hours.
 - Journal It. Capture and consider what you have learned.
3. **Step 3 – Network** - Earn the **Girl Scout Silver Career Award**
 - What’s out there? Investigate careers.
 - Who’s out there? Question working adults.
 - Earn “Your Own Business” Interest Project
 - Journal it.
4. **Step 4 – Create** –Earn the **Girl Scout Silver 4Bs Challenge**.
Four steps to earning the Girl Scout Silver 4Bs Challenge: Become, Belong, Believe and Build
 - Complete the activities under each topic to:
 1. Become: Yourself
 2. Belong: Your Community - Earn STUDIO 2B Focus Looking In Reaching Out charm.
 3. Believe: A Vision For Change
 4. Build: Your Network
5. **Step 5 – Act** – **Earn the Girl Scout Silver Award**
 - Plan your Girl Scout Silver Award. Review pages 19-23. Know more about it, map it.

The project must take at least 40 hours. It must be designed, developed and carried out by the girl, and it must demonstrate her commitment to the future while focusing on a specific need in a community.

Silver Award applicants may utilize the help of other Girl Scouts in her efforts but she must identify her unique personal contribution from beginning to end. The project reflects the very best work of which the girl is capable.

6. **Step 6 – Think about It**
Ask yourself questions such as:
 - Did I accomplish what I set out to accomplish?
 - Could I have avoided some problems that sprang up?
 - What did I learn about myself?
 - What did I learn about others?
 - How did I leave my mark?
 - How can I share what I did?

In total, the Girl Scout Silver Award can take anywhere from two to four years to complete. The girls who have earned the Silver Award have truly demonstrated a commitment to themselves, their world and the future.