



The Girl Scout Silver Award©

A Short but Enduring History

The Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout 11-14 can earn, is symbolic of accomplishments in Girl Scouting and community activities. A girl becomes her best self and builds the world around her. The Girl Scout Silver Award project should benefit a girl's community, which can include her school, Overseas Committee, or a more global community, and can be earned as an individual or as part of a group.

The Girl Scout Silver Award was introduced in ***You Make the Difference*** in 1980. This new award helped girls focus on four areas: skill development, leadership, service, and career exploration.

Its roots are found in a tradition of leadership awards for Girl Scouts: The Golden Eaglet of Merit (1916-1919), The Golden Eagle (1919-1938), First Class (1938-1982), The Curved Bar (1940-1980).