

Girl Scout Silver Award Project Proposal Instructions

The Girl Scout Silver Award™, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn, gives you the chance to do big things and make your community better in the process.

This Project Proposal is to be used by you (and/or your team)—a registered Girl Scout Cadette in grades 6 to 8—with assistance from your adult Girl Scout volunteer supervisor, troop/group leader, and project advisor (optional) to gain approval for your Silver Award project idea **BEFORE** continuing your project.

This form is intended to help plan your proposal. Your final proposal must be submitted online via the QR code below.

This form will help you think through the details of your project, helping make sure you have a plan in place that will set you up for success early on. Let's get started!

How to complete this form:

1. Familiarize yourself with Silver Award guidelines: review the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award* and complete Silver Award training. Training sessions can be found on the GSGATL events calendar.
2. Read the Silver Award Project Proposal questions ahead of time and think about your answers. If you are working in a group, fill it out together! You can work with a team of up to three other Cadettes or on your own. One form should be completed per project.
3. Complete and submit the Silver Award Project Proposal. Approval is necessary **BEFORE** the project may continue. Submit your proposal online via [THIS link](#) or by following the QR code below.



A few friendly reminders:

- Finish your Silver Award Take Action™ project and Final Report by September 30 of the year you or your oldest team members complete 8th grade.
- Take photos and/or video to document your project along the way—you'll be asked to share them in your Final Report!
- The Final Report will require updating and reflecting on your approved Project Proposal. Keep a copy of this Project Proposal so you can answer the questions more easily.
- When the Silver Award project winds down, the outcome may not be exactly as planned. That's OK! Girl Scouts earn the Silver Award as long as award requirements have been met. What Girl Scouts learn in the process about themselves and the world around them is what's most valuable. Look at any unexpected twist as a learning opportunity.
- If your project ends up significantly changing from your current Project Proposal, please contact silverawardsupport@gsgatl.org to let them know and they will advise you on the next steps.



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Council _____

Team members: Confirm the full names of each Girl Scout on the project. Please include troop number, current grade, email, and mailing address. (See *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 2.)

Full Name	Troop Number	Current Grade	Email and Mailing Address	Training (when/how)

List additional adult resources:

	Responsibilities	Name	Email	Phone Number
Troop/Group Leader*	Managing guidelines for any project donations, money-earning activities, or use of troop funds and approvals, where relevant			
Adult Girl Scout Volunteer Supervisor*	Silver Award project team supervision, including managing safety and Silver Award procedures			
Project Advisor (optional)	An adult who has some level of knowledge, skills, expertise, or access to resources that can help with your project			

*Volunteers in these roles must be registered and background checked.

Prerequisite: Provide the Cadette Journey title, completion date, and reflection for each team member.

Team Member Name _____

Prerequisite Cadette Journey	Date Completed	What did you do?	What did you learn?	What would you do better, or differently?

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Tell us about your project plan:

Project Title _____

Proposed
Start Date _____

Proposed
Completion Date _____

1. The issue the project will aim to address is... (Please include a 3–4 sentence description. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 4.)

2. Why is it important to you? (Please include a 3–4 sentence description. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 4.)

3. How does this affect your community? (Please include a 1–2 sentence description. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 4.)

4. **Community members who I contacted or partnered with** to research my issue and find the root cause (See *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 3.):

Name	Organization	How might they help?

5. A **root cause** of my issue is... (Please include a 3–4 sentence description. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Steps 3 and 4.)

6. Describe your project. How will your Take Action project address this issue? (Please include a 3–4 sentence description of your project, including the desired result and how it addresses the root cause of your issue. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 4.)

Tip: Check out the “Take Action vs. Community Service” section of the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award* to make sure your project is truly Take Action.

7. Please provide a description of your team’s **leadership**. (See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Steps 2 and 5.)

Name	Leadership Roles	Responsibilities

8. Silver Award projects sometimes require money or nonmonetary donations of goods. If your project requires this, then please estimate supplies/donations needed and potential costs. A budget worksheet with actual supplies and costs will be required with the Final Report. (See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 5 and the template pages.)

[Note to councils: Please insert a reminder of the guidelines relevant to Silver Award project money-earning, and any required forms.]

Supplies/Donations	Cost (even if \$0)

9. How will you create a plan to make your project **sustainable**? (Check the boxes that apply. See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 5.)

- ☐ Create a permanent solution that can be used after the project is complete.
- ☐ Educate and inspire others in the community or within Girl Scouts to be part of the change.
- ☐ Advocate to change a rule, regulation, or a law and encourage others to join.

Specifically, my team will plan to make the project sustainable by... (Please include a 3–4 sentence description.)

10. Try it: Describe how you will try to make your project measurable by sharing the goal your team set to measure your project's success... (See the *Cadette Workbook for Earning Your Silver Award*, Step 5.) **[Optional]**