



**Take Action Project Tracking Sheet**

Girl Scout Gold Award Steps	Notes Regarding Your Progress and Significant Dates	Standards of Excellence
1. Choose an issue.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Live the Girl Scout Promise and Law.</li> <li>▪ Demonstrate civic responsibility.</li> </ul>
2. Investigate.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use a variety of sources: interview people, read books and articles, find professional organizations online. Remember to evaluate each source's reliability and accuracy.</li> <li>▪ Demonstrate courage as you investigate your issue, knowing that what you learn may challenge your own and others' beliefs.</li> <li>▪ Identify national and/or global links to your community issue.</li> </ul>
3. Get help.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Seek out and recognize the value of the skills and strengths of others.</li> <li>▪ Respect different points of view and ways of working.</li> <li>▪ Build a team and recruit a project advisor who will bring special skills to your Take Action project.</li> </ul>
4. Create a plan.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Lead the planning of your Take Action project.</li> <li>▪ Work collaboratively to develop a plan for your project that creates lasting change.</li> </ul>
5. Present your plan and get feedback.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submit a Project Proposal to your council that is concise, comprehensive, and clear.</li> <li>▪ Describe your plan including the Girl Scout Leadership Outcomes you want to achieve and the impact you plan to make on yourself and the community.</li> <li>▪ Articulate your issue clearly and explain why it matters to you.</li> <li>▪ Accept constructive suggestions that will help refine your project.</li> </ul>



<p><b>6. Take action.</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Take action to address the root cause of an issue, so that your solution has measurable and sustainable impact.</li> <li>▪ Actively seek partnerships to achieve greater community participation and impact for your Take Action project.</li> <li>▪ Challenge yourself to try different ways to solve problems.</li> <li>▪ Use resources wisely.</li> <li>▪ Speak out and act on behalf of yourself and others.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7. Educate and inspire.</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reflect on what you have learned when you present your Girl Scout Gold Award Final Report to your council.</li> <li>▪ Summarize the effectiveness of your project and the impact it has had on you and your community.</li> <li>▪ Share the project beyond your local community and inspire others to take action in their own communities.</li> </ul>