



## Service Projects for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors

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Service projects for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors are an invitation for young women to have fun, expand friendships, increase their skills and competence, and give to their communities.

At this age level:

1. Projects may be done by individuals, by a few young women working together, or by a larger group.
2. Projects involve young women in meaningful activity in areas they choose to explore.
3. Projects allow young women to take on an even greater level of responsibility for initiation, planning, implementation and evaluation of the service given.
4. Projects should provide the opportunity for young women to utilize or be trained in specific skills and then to demonstrate their own potential.
5. Projects provide expanded opportunities for young women to invite others in the community to work with them in Girl Scouting.
6. Projects offer insight into possible careers.
7. Projects provide increased multicultural exposure and appreciation.
8. Projects should be broad enough to include many different tasks.
9. Projects should be longer (six months to a year) or done on a regular basis.

### Service Project Ideas for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors:

1. Volunteer as a tutor in a literary project.
2. Volunteer your services at your local public broadcasting radio or television station.
3. Serve as a volunteer in a public or school library.
4. Help a community theater group, opera society or dance company.
5. Share your talent in the visual, performing or literary arts by teaching others in a community center, day care center, settlement house, camp or other facility.
6. Start or volunteer for a SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) Club Friday Night live, or a Club Live group!
7. Start or volunteer for a "Say No to Drugs" Club.
8. Become a certified lifeguard and volunteer to serve as a lifeguard for Girl Scout groups who are participating in water related activities.
9. Help plan and establish a safe route for joggers and/or cyclists or publicize already existing routes.
10. Plan and coordinate a Girl Scout "uniform bank" for your service unit.
11. Organize a baby sitting service for Girl Scout volunteers who need to attend Girl Scout training events or meetings.
12. Work with a local school to organize a group of peer tutors or peer counselors.
13. Develop and carry out a fitness program for children.
14. Organize a community/neighborhood block association.
15. Contact Girl Scout council and volunteers to cleanup Girl Scout property trails.

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16. Participate in National Trails Day held annually in June to develop and maintain local foot trails.
17. Participate in local creek and river cleanup days.
18. Work as a docent in a museum or zoo.
19. Assist with community dog, cat or horse shows by serving as ushers, guides, messengers, and information booths, or assist with care of animals during shows.
20. Assist with community field trips for those who are physically or developmentally challenged.
21. Assist in hospital or other clinical laboratories.
22. Assist in test-kitchens for food products.
23. Help set up and maintain a library at resident camp or at the council office.
24. Volunteer your service to the council office. Help collate materials for mailing, maintain bulleting boards, operate office machines, stuff envelopes, etc.
25. Assist community agencies with office services.
26. Assist with council sponsored events.
27. Write Girl Scout stories for church, community bulletins or newsletters.
28. Help prepare exhibits or exhibit articles for permanent placement or for special promotion during Girl Scout week; prepare window exhibits.
29. Take photographs to help build a library covering a variety of Girl Scout subjects or topics.
30. Make speeches or presentations to community groups about Girl Scouting.
31. Develop an older girl Girl Scout newsletter for your service unit for one year.
32. Assist in publishing the council *Hear and Now* newsletter.
33. Develop a community beautification project.
34. Become a disaster services volunteer through the American Red Cross or Salvation Army. Be prepared to give emergency assistance in times of disasters, such as forest fires, floods, droughts, hurricanes, or other natural disasters.
35. Tutor children who have special learning needs.
36. Work as a teacher's aide in a classroom that serves homeless children, "new comers," or those who are physically and/or developmentally challenged.
37. Talk to a younger Girl Scout troop about *destinations*.
38. Tape stories for blind or visually impaired children.
39. Develop and deliver a program for young children on "how to protect yourselves from strangers."
40. Assist with an energy conservation project in your community.
41. Develop and implement a plan to reduce pollution in your community.
42. Organize a camping trip or other appropriate trip for adults or children who are physically and/or developmentally challenged.
43. Organize an "adult-'n'-me" dinner, picnic or square dance for your service unit.
44. Act as Girl Scout "pen pal" coordinator for council.
45. Teach younger girls the basics of computers.
46. Organize and lead a troop in a homeless shelter or shelter for battered women.
47. Develop and deliver a day camp program for girls in an area where girls have not had an opportunity to join Girl Scouting.
48. Assist at annual camp clean-up days.