



Go for the Gold: Checklist

Prerequisites:

- You're in high school.
- You're registered as a Girl Scout Senior or Girl Scout Ambassador.
- You've completed two Senior or Ambassador Journeys OR earned the Girl Scout Silver Award and completed a Journey.
- You've completed all 7 of the "Go for the Gold" training modules in gsLearn.

Submitting your Project Proposal:

- You've created a unique project.
- You've chosen an expert project advisor.
- You've obtained a letter of support on official letterhead from the organization you're partnering with
- You've engaged a team of 5 nonrelated volunteers who will take action with you
- You've addressed the root cause of an issue
- You've tackled your target audience's needs
- You've set clear goals. You can say, "Here is the change I plan to make, and here's how I'll know I've made it."
- You've designed a sustainable project.
- You've identified a national and/or global link
- You've developed a realistic budget and identified the resources you need to carry out the project.
- Your project will take at least 80 hours to complete.
- You have the skills to get started.
- You've created a plan to inspire others about your project and its impact.

You've scored your Project Proposal against the Gold Award Project Proposal Rubric and it lands within the yellow and green areas.

Implementing Your Project:

You've kept a log of your hours, income, and expenses as you implemented your project.

You've stayed in contact with your Gold Award Mentor to keep them informed of your progress (at least twice a month).

You've organized and led your team of at least 5-nonrelated volunteers.

You've measured the success/impact of your project on the community.

You've ensured the sustainability of your project beyond your Gold Award.

You've taken photos of your project in action.

You've invited your Gold Award Mentor to see your project in action.

You've submitted information about your project to local media sources.

Submitting your Final Report:

You've reflected on your experience and document what you've learned.

You've uploaded photos and additional files that reflect the work you put into your project.

You've touched base with your Gold Award Mentor before your final interview to review how your project went.

After your Project is Finished and Approved:

You've submitted your information for the GSNEO Gold Award Celebration Event including 5 photos of your project, a high-resolution headshot, and a 250-word biography about yourself and your Gold Award project.

You've created a scrapbook (or similar) of your project to display at the GSNEO Gold Award Celebration Event.

You've attended the GSNEO Gold Award Celebration Event.

You've applied for the GSUSA Gold Award Scholarship on GoGold Online.