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IN YOUR HONOR

Award Yearbook
Featuring the Girl Scout Gold Award Class of 2019
FROM THE DESK OF THE CEO

Dear Girl Scout family,

Girl Scouts are leading change in their communities and around the globe, inspired by their passion to take a stand and transform things for the better. This is demonstrated by all the girls featured in our 2019 award yearbook.

This year, we honor the highest number of Gold Award Girl Scouts in a decade, 225 Gold Award Girl Scouts! The Gold Award is the most prestigious award a girl can earn and is the pinnacle of the Girl Scout experience. Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors demonstrate leadership abilities and transform an idea into an actionable plan with sustainable impact. Gold Award Girl Scouts distinguish themselves in the college admissions process, often earning scholarships for their achievement. Behind these girls stand their families, Girl Scout advisors, volunteers, and their Girl Scout sisters, who believe in them at every turn.

You will read in this yearbook the many accomplishments of our Gold Award Girl Scouts. These outstanding young women represent not only the brightest and best, but also the most determined. When a girl writes state legislation to protect service animals, teaches communities to grow their own vegetables to combat hunger, or conduct workshops to end the stereotype of mental illness, these are the Girls the World Needs!

We are also proud of our 888 Girl Scout Cadettes, each investing over 50 hours to earn the Girl Scout Silver Award. As Girl Scouts progress, growing in confidence and skill, they complete Girl Scout Journeys and take on projects in their community they care about, as a group or individually. These girls form the pipeline to achieving the Gold Award.

Only at Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital can Girl Scouts earn the Silver Trefoil Award. One hundred and ninety-seven Girl Scouts dedicated over 19,000 hours of volunteer service to their local, international and Girl Scout communities. This award prepares them for a lifetime of civic engagement and volunteerism.

Congratulations to all the Girl Scouts featured in this award yearbook. Your hard work and tenacity are the building blocks to a future of leadership. You are at the forefront of leading positive change. Thank you to all the parents and volunteers for supporting our high awardees. Girl Scouts is a life-changing journey, because of your support and commitment to the Girl Scout mission, all girls can strive for greatness.

Sincerely,

Lidia Soto-Harmon
Chief Executive Officer
Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital
THE GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

On my honor, I will try:
   To serve God* and my country
   To help people at all times, and
   To live by the Girl Scout Law

*Members may substitute wording appropriate to their own spiritual beliefs for the word “God.”

THE GIRL SCOUT LAW

I will do my best to be
   Honest and fair,
   Friendly and helpful,
   Considerate and caring,
   Courageous and strong, and
   Responsible for what I say and do,

And to
   Respect myself and others,
   Respect authority,
   Use resources wisely,
   Make the world a better place, and
   Be a sister to every Girl Scout.

GIRL SCOUTS NATION'S CAPITAL

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Thank you to the Women’s Advisory Board (WAB), 100 of the most influential business leaders from the Greater Washington Region. These women raise the profile of Girl Scouting within the corporate community, and are committed to sharing their expertise with Girl Scouts earning the Gold Award.
The Gold Award is Girl Scouting’s highest honor. This prestigious award is earned by a select group of Girl Scouts who have demonstrated a high commitment to improving their communities, and advocating for lasting change. This past year, from March 16, 2018 to March 15, 2019, 225 Girl Scouts from 25 counties in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia earned the Gold Award.

The road to the Gold Award begins with discovery. Each girl uses her own values and skills to identify a community issue she is passionate about and then determines the topic and audience for her project. Before proceeding, each girl submits a project proposal to the Gold Award Panel. The Panel welcomes all projects for which there is a demonstrated need. The Panel works with Girl Scouts to support the development of their projects and act as mentors along the way.

While working on her project, each Girl Scout dedicates herself to advancing her cause and accomplishing her goal. All of the projects completed this year will have a lasting and positive impact on our region and beyond. From protecting the environment and teaching young people about community issues, to promoting healthy behaviors and helping the homeless, these Girl Scouts have exhibited outstanding leadership, exceptional organizational skills, and a sincere commitment to improving their communities. Congratulations to all of our Gold Award Girl Scouts!

The following pages feature this year’s Gold Award Girl Scouts and descriptions of their projects. By necessity, the descriptions are brief and may not fully describe the scope of the project.

It’s Time to Brag about your Gold Award Girl Scout

We know that you are proud of your Gold Award Girl Scout’s achievement. Now it’s time to use your social media to share her powerful story.

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GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Allison Abate
New Market, MD
**Heart to Heart**
Allison organized a workshop to teach children ways to keep their heart healthy. She also collected donations for cardiology patients at Inova Hospital.

Katherine Adams
Haymarket, VA
**Preschool Early Reading**
Katherine went to the local preschool at her church and created books on tape to assist in early reading skills for ages three to five years old, and established a volunteer reading program.

Yusrah Ahsanullah
Herndon, VA
**Connecting through the Ages**
Yusrah connected senior citizens with the young people in her community and created monthly activities for the youth volunteers to interact with the seniors.

Maria Amare
Chantilly, VA
**PooptoPower**
Maria collaborated with Wolkite University for better waste disposal and sanitation in rural areas of Ethiopia.

Julie Ablimit
Chantilly, VA
**The Teen Partnership for Academic and Social Integration**
Julie founded and ran a high school ESL mentorship program in an attempt to break down the linguistic and cultural barriers that tend to isolate ESL students.

Iliyeen Ahmed
Herdon, VA
**Defense against the Dark Arts**
Iliyeen established a women-only class at a mosque to serve the women in her community and organized a self-defense workshop for them to be well equipped with skills in self-defense.

Caroline Alpi
Arlington, VA
**Pink Ribbon Playwrights**
Caroline assembled a group of breast cancer survivors and high school girls who met weekly to share their stories and devise theater programs together.

Mikayla Anderson
Cheltenham, MD
**Emergency Preparedness for Churches**
Mikayla informed and trained her local church on safety procedures in the case of a natural disaster like a tornado, earthquake or flood.

*Please see page 32 for Morgan Agnew*
**Carina Anderson**  
Vienna, VA  
_Hope For Haiti_  
Carina tackled poor teacher education in the third world. She educated local youth on educational disparities and distributed teacher kits to a school in Haiti.

**Nia Anderson**  
Washington, DC  
_Saving Our Environment and Pets, One Pet at a Time!_  
Nia educated pet owners and health providers about the importance of eliminating harmful chemicals found in common pet care products.

**Rebecca Arnold**  
Hollywood, MD  
_Learning Through Letterboxing_  
Rebecca’s project inspired families to explore local historical sites through letterboxing, a scavenger hunt involving elements of orienteering and puzzle solving.

**Lubna Azmi**  
Manassas, VA  
_Help for Humanity_  
Lubna networked with high schools in her county and presented videos to raise awareness on the Syrian Crisis.

**Renée Anderson**  
Woodbridge, VA  
_Teen Stress_  
Renée created her project around the stress that begins in middle school and continues as students transition to high school. She created an interactive workshop to provide students with healthy outlets to relieve stress.

**Johana Marroquin Arjona**  
Silver Spring, MD  
_Environmental Awareness and Stewardship_  
Johana created and led a workshop and service project to help teach and promote environmental stewardship in our community and the outdoors.

**Serena Aurora**  
McLean, VA  
_English Education for Girls_  
Serena visited the Mariposa Foundation in the Dominican Republic and taught 150 girls the basics of reading, writing, and speaking English.

**Brianna Bailey**  
Woodbridge, VA  
_Personal Feminine Hygiene helper cupboard_  
Brianna set up a donation for feminine hygiene products to be delivered to her school nurse.
Christina Balaton  
California, MD  
*Pathways Wellness Trail*  
Christina created a trail around a company called Pathways that consumers and employees could walk on to improve their physical and mental health.

Makenna Beam  
Silver Spring, MD  
*Postal Positivity*  
Makenna created a project aimed at youth to teach them about social activism and advocating for themselves through positive postcards to leaders.

Madeline Borger  
Rockville, MD  
*Combating Summer Learning Loss*  
Madeline created a summer reading camp for first graders, in hopes that they would form a love of reading and remain academically engaged throughout the summer.

Caitlin Bowman  
Leesburg, VA  
*Food Allergy Awareness*  
Caitlin made a PSA and had a trunk-or-treat aimed to increase awareness and clear misconceptions about food allergies. Her project was inspired by her friend who has a peanut allergy.

Brooke Balducci  
Great Falls, VA  
*Swim Instruction and Safety 101*  
Brooke created a program that provided free swim lessons to children with no swimming experience in her surrounding communities.

Gabriella Billett  
Vienna, VA  
*Ellie’s Elite: Warhawk Warriors*  
Gabriella started an outreach program for sports teams to “adopt” a pediatric cancer patient/survivor as an honorary member of the team.

Kathleen Bostick  
Fairfax Station, VA  
*Tie Dye For Life*  
Kathleen hosted an art workshop for children with mental and physical disabilities.

Emma Bradley  
McLean, VA  
*Storytelling with Puppets*  
Emma brought the art of puppetry to Stanton Elementary School. She combined her skills of animation and singing to create videos of classic children’s stories.
Nyah Breedlove  
Silver Spring, MD  
*Peas and Pots*  
Nyah showed kids how to enjoy art and gardening by making ceramic pots used to plant healthier foods like vegetables.

Beyer Bullard  
Chevy Chase, MD  
*Soar with Science*  
Beyer hosted science workshops at her local elementary schools and gave them the resources they need to continue these interactive science activities.

Hannah Bush  
Potomac, MD  
*High School Heart Factory*  
Hannah created a club called Churchill Heart Factory to help instill leadership and the importance of service in students at her school.

Julia Case  
Frederick, MD  
*Math Olympics*  
Julia created a camp for third through fifth graders in Lucas Village, where they continued to practice math skills over five weeks during the summer twice a week.

Sarah Buckley  
Jefferson, MD  
*Life is Stressful: Deal with It*  
Sarah equipped high schoolers with healthy techniques to relieve stress including yoga, meditation, journaling, and healthy eating.

Kayla Burgess  
Middletown, MD  
*Impacts of recycling from your backyard to around the world*  
Kayla created a project that educated kids on the importance of recycling and the impact it can have around the world.

AnneMarie Caballero  
Alexandria, VA  
*I.T. Girls*  
AnneMarie developed and led a week-long summer program that taught middle school girls coding basics through the use of Java programming.

Rachael Castle  
Silver Spring, MD  
*OLGCHS Vegan and Vegetarian club*  
Rachael started a vegan and vegetarian club at her high school to raise funds and awareness to rescue cows.
GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Krithi Chakrapani
Vienna, VA
*Your Vision Is My Focus*
Krithi conducted workshops to inform children in her community about the importance of healthy vision and eyecare habits in a technology dependent era.

Liberty Cheshire
Swanton, MD
*Mind over "Matter"
Liberty created a science-based program that helped change the mindset of elementary age children who thought science wasn’t fun.

Maya Clarke
Silver Spring, MD
*NJROTC Awareness*
Maya went to schools around her neighborhood to inform them about the Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC) program.

Lauren Clizbe
New Market, MD
*Latin Gone Gold*
Lauren established, organized and led a student-run Latin tutoring center at Oakdale High School.

Lauren Chandler
Waldorf, MD
*Nature Buddy Activity Guide*
Lauren created a fun and educational guide to help children learn the cultural, historical and environmental aspects of the Jerome “Buddie” Ford Nature Center/Dora Kelley Nature Park.

Durga Mounika Chilukuri
McLean, VA
*Bridging the Gap*
Mounika created a cross-generational program to give younger kids and senior adults an opportunity to connect and learn from each other.

Amber Clauss
Manassas, VA
*Courtyard Classroom*
Amber constructed a patio at her former middle school so that students would have an outdoor space to learn about food insecurity.

Jennifer Cole
Vienna, VA
*Tree Planting in Foxstone Park*
Jennifer organized a day where students planted trees to prevent runoff and created a website to teach younger troops.
Kayann Coote
Herndon, VA
**Code Jump-Start**
Kayann wrote and illustrated a children's book titled: Code Jumpstart, and held a STEM workshop at her local library to introduce early-elementary students to computer programming.

Elizabeth Crishock
Fairfax, VA
**Education for Everyone**
Elizabeth made STEM kits for local elementary school students and YouTube videos with instructions for the 18 experiments in the kit which included interviews with women in STEM careers.

Lorna Cuthbertson
Bowie, MD
**Time and Time Again**
Lorna presented a workshop about time management in order to reduce stress and increase productivity.

Megan Crone
Vienna, VA
**Buddy Bench**
Megan built two Buddy Benches to help teach friendship and the importance of including everybody, for kids at Wesley Church and Preschool.

Jasmine Dantzler
Clinton, MD
**KidsGoPlay**
Jasmine's project allowed 35 kids to learn about eight different sports and the value of teamwork.

Ashley Cyril
Fairfax, VA
**Inclusion is the key to change**
Ashley created activities meant to teach non-disabled children about disabilities.

Kylah Davis
Springdale, MD
**Hustle, Hit...Never Quit**
Kylah hosted a volleyball clinic at Elizabeth Seton High School for aspiring females to grow their skills in volleyball.

Stephanie Crawford
Bowie, MD
**Adulting 101: Voting**
Stephanie created a website and led a Q&A session to educate Maryland teens about voting basics and elections. Her website is votingbasics.weebly.com.

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Lillian Densock  
Monrovia, MD  
**Vaudeville Show Night - Connecting Teens with Elderly**  
Lillian connected teens and elderly residents at a local nursing home for a “Vaudeville Night” and trained teens in how to communicate with elders.

Linda Diaz  
McLean, VA  
**Happy Notes**  
Linda created Happy Notes, a program designed to create relationships in the community through connecting young musicians to retirement homes, homeless shelters and hospitals.

Genesis Dorsey  
Fort Washington, MD  
**Financial Literacy**  
Genesis held a financial literacy workshop for teens in the Prince George’s County area that properly informed and equipped them with the importance of financial responsibilities.

Madeline Eisenfeld  
Rockville, MD  
**L.I.V.E. (Love Individuals Value Everyone)**  
Madeline created a club at her local elementary school for fifth grade girls where she taught them skills to manage their stress and maintain good self esteem.

Kaitlyn Desmond  
Damascus, MD  
**Water Dispensers**  
Kaitlyn got a water bottle filling station funded and installed at Damascus High School to encourage the use of refillable bottles and reduce plastic waste.

Makayla Dixon  
Waldorf, MD  
**Love Notes: A Teen Dating Violence Awareness Seminar**  
Makayla organized and hosted Love Notes: A Teen Dating Violence Awareness Seminar that discussed the prevalence of teen dating violence through statistics.

Caroline Dunning  
Chantilly, VA  
**Bridging Barriers for Band Tutoring**  
Caroline created a website to connect high school tutors with elementary students.

Lela Ellerbe  
Alexandria, VA  
**STEAM your way into success**  
Lela created a STEAM day for children in the inner-city. She taught them basic skills of chemical bonds, counter balance and forces.
Maeve Englehart  
McLean, VA  
*Education Support for Refugee Children in Jakarta, Indonesia*  
Maeve developed and taught an English course to children at the Roshan Learning Center in Indonesia, and ran a supply drive to support it.

Kari Eskeland  
Vienna, VA  
*Cataloging the Church Children’s Library Collection*  
Kari created a digital catalog for the 1,000+ books in her local church’s children’s library as a resource for kids and teachers.

Morgan Feist  
Arlington, VA  
*Building a Love for Reading: Free Little Library at Stanton Elementary*  
Morgan built a Little Free Library and collected books for Stanton Elementary School in Anacostia to increase access to books for the students.

Abigail Fernandes  
Burke, VA  
*Helping Senior Citizens Live a Healthy Lifestyle Mentally and Physically*  
Abby constructed raised garden beds for an assisted living center and collected donations to plant veggies and flowers to help with their physical and mental health.

Elena Ergener  
Vienna, VA  
*Creative Writing for Elementary Schoolers*  
Elena taught creative writing classes to elementary school students, helping them explore collaboration, creative thinking and new passions for writing.

Sofia Fagan  
Leesburg, VA  
*Greater Learning for a Greater Purpose*  
Sofia built a team to collect data from the student body in response to low standardized test scores and chronic absenteeism.

Deidre Felix  
Laurel, MD  
*FM 111.4 SCD Radio*  
Deidre created a radio program at a local children’s hospital that educated and brought awareness about Sickle Cell Disease to listeners.

Charlotte Fitzgerald  
Great Falls, VA  
*Small Steps Towards a Big Impact*  
Charlotte created a sustainable trail by adding signs, placing a bamboo barrier, building a walking bridge, and creating a curriculum for children.
Elise Flick
McLean, VA
Children’s Ministries at St. John’s
Elise established an acolyte training program to encourage youth ministries and empower teenagers to be leaders in the community by mentoring younger acolytes.

Jordyn Foster
Clinton, MD
Strike Out Hunger—One Bite At A Time
Jordyn hosted assemblies at middle and high schools about food insecurity with the help of community resources and provided food boxes for families in need.

Madison Frill
California, MD
An Outdoor Learning Space for All
Madison set up an outdoor learning space for grades Kindergarten-fifth to encourage students to get outside and become healthier.

Sarah Garretson
Fairfax, VA
ESOL: Extraordinary Students of Learning
Sarah held an event at her school’s career center for ESOL students and presented the benefits of being bilingual.

Natalie Flynn
Frederick, MD
Promoting Music Beyond Middle School
Natalie created a video to promote her high school music program to incoming students. She shared it with music teachers and at a feeder pattern concert.

Allison Fowle
Sterling, VA
Clean Up Ashburn
Allison cleaned her school and community of 373 plastic water bottles over the span of two weeks.

Helen Ganley
Falls Church, VA
iPhone Training for Seniors
Helen recognized that seniors are often isolated due to their limited use of technology. She created Smartphones for Seniors to teach them to make calls, FaceTime and set ringtones.

Alicia Gonzalez
McLean, VA
The Sustainable Style Initiative
Alicia promoted the ethical and eco-conscious fashion consumption through a community expo event and social media.
Alissa Gooding
Fairfax, VA
*Aprons for Todos Los Santos Church, Guantanamo, Cuba*
Alissa organized volunteers to sew aprons for the benefit of three churches in Guantanamo, Cuba, serving poor families in their community.

Ashlee Gray
Clinton, MD
*Get Fit Little Bit*
Ashlee’s project addressed the issue of overweight and obesity in young children.

Nicole Halleck
Hollywood, MD
*Let’s Connect through Foreign Language*
Nicole created a foreign language day for primary school kids that provided early access to available languages in the county.

Clarissa Halpern
Potomac, MD
*Financial Literacy for Young People*
Clarissa created and conducted several workshops on financial literacy for middle and high school students in the Rockville and Potomac areas.

Sara Gotter
Vienna, VA
*OLGC Softball Field Dugout Construction*
Sara designed and built two dugouts for the community softball fields to be used by Little League Baseball, softball teams, and the co-ed adult league.

Maja Guidry
Washington, DC
*Movement and Relaxation for Everybody*
Maja worked with senior citizens to create activities and crafts that were both mental exercises and encouraged relaxation.

Oona Haller
Arlington, VA
*SUPPORT- Sustaining Positive Parenting with Open Relationships*
Oona addressed parent-teen relations and the impact a communicative relationship can have on preventing risky behavior and substance abuse.

Blaise Hartsoe
McLean, VA
*Spread the Word, Stop a Stigma*
Blaise made a website (www.stopastigma.weebly.com) and hosted a booth at Clarendon Day where people signed a banner to bring awareness to mental health, distributed wristbands, and created a podcast.

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Lauren Hawkins  
Cheltenham, MD  
**Pollinator’s Playground**  
Lauren transformed a neglected area on her school’s campus into a garden in an effort to increase the population of pollinators.

Amy Hermach  
Gaithersburg, MD  
**Team Field Day**  
Amy traveled to China and demonstrated what the typical US gym class includes and wrote a curriculum for the school to reference.

Claire Hieronymus  
Gaithersburg, MD  
**Take Only Pictures, Leave Only Footprints**  
Claire used photography to educate people on the importance of protecting our outdoor recreational spaces, inspiring others to enjoy them wisely and to Leave No Trace.

Sierra Hoffman  
Germantown, MD  
**Fun with Activity Bins**  
Sierra created 200 art activity bins for inpatient children staying at Children’s National Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Maya Haywood  
Vienna, VA  
**Self-Esteem and Personal Branding Seminar**  
Maya conducted seminars to raise awareness among African American middle and high school students about self-esteem, personal branding, depression and suicide.

Lauren Herring  
Gaithersburg, MD  
**Maryvale STEAM Day**  
Lauren organized a S.T.E.A.M Day for students in her community. The entire second grade enjoyed an awesome day with a variety of engaging STEAM-filled activities.

Olivia Hiltke  
New Market, MD  
**Life Around the World: Cultural Diversity**  
Olivia hosted a one-day event which exposed teens to various cultures, generated conversations and promoted tolerance and acceptance within the community.

Karina Holbrook  
McLean, VA  
**Safety 202: Beyond the Basics**  
Karina taught advanced interactive lessons about safety to elementary school children and the wider community.
Grace Hutcherson
Cumberland, MD
*Teaching Erosion Prevention*
Grace taught children how soil and plants help prevent erosion and how different land uses affect soil runoff and flooding.

Cecilia Hornyak
Bethesda, MD
*Rain Barrel/Raised Bed for Ashburton Elementary School*
Cecilia designed and built a raised rain barrel with Ashburton Elementary to teach the students about water conservation and gardening.

Cristen Huynh
Centreville, VA
*Eat Good, Feel Good*
Cristen held workshops for elementary school students to spread awareness regarding obesity and encourage healthy lifestyle and nutrition choices.

Mikayla Jenkins
Stephens City, VA
*Protection of Companion Animals*
Mikayla wrote a bill for the Virginia Legislature to make it unlawful to leave a companion animal in an unattended vehicle or transport animals unsecured.
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<td>Frederick, MD</td>
<td><em>End Period Stigma</em></td>
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<td>Maya Johnson</td>
<td>Cheltenham, MD</td>
<td><em>Divas in Defense</em></td>
<td>Maya addressed the issue of sexual assaults and rapes on college campuses by educating teen girls about how to properly defend themselves.</td>
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<td>Clara Johnson</td>
<td>Sterling, VA</td>
<td><em>Striking for Health and Friendship</em></td>
<td>Clara ran bowling clinics for children in her community and taught them how bowling is an effective way to improve both their physical and mental health.</td>
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<td>Annaleise Kealiher</td>
<td>Bristow, VA</td>
<td><em>Encouraging Kids To Be Makers</em></td>
<td>Annaleise organized multiple workshops in a local makerspace where she taught students how to build underwater robots and programmable electronic clothing.</td>
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<td>Alexa Jordan</td>
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<td>Alexa traveled to the Dominican Republic and taught girls there how to live a healthy lifestyle by exercising and eating healthy.</td>
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**Julianna Koert**  
Gaithersburg, MD  
*Healthy Home*  
Julianna worked with A Wider Circle to donate kitchen kits with crockpots and cookbooks she put together.

**Kiley King**  
New Market, MD  
*Stand Tall Basketball Clinic*  
Kiley encouraged girls to try basketball in an effort to make them more comfortable with all sports and encourage exercise.

**Liberty Lane**  
Smithsburg, MD  
*Positive Self-Esteem*  
Liberty created and taught a positive self-esteem class for young girls through dance, art, games and song.

**Kelsey Kitzke**  
Arlington, VA  
*Ending the Stigma*  
Kelsey organized a panel at local high schools with women to discuss reproductive healthcare.

**Pooja Keranahalli**  
Clarksburg, MD  
*Motivating Students in STEM Subjects*  
Pooja prepared and conducted science experiments at an elementary school where fourth and fifth grade students performed hands-on activities to encourage STEM involvement.

**Rachel Klumpp**  
Silver Spring, MD  
*Strength Within*  
Rachel created a Facebook page to educate young teens about teen suicide through videos, brochures, bracelets and a presentation.

**Talyor Lacy**  
Warrenton, VA  
*Talyor’s Softball Camp*  
Talyor ran a softball camp to help girls and boys with Asperger’s not be afraid of trying a new sport.

**Nicole Larsen**  
Alexandria, VA  
*The Romulus of Alexandria*  
Nicole researched historical primary sources to create an informative brochure and booklet on her city’s founder and history to educate visitors and residents.
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Emma Layton
Fairfax, VA
Native Species Garden
Emma planted a water garden in a corner of her school that needed maintenance and beautifications.

Jaclyn Lee
Bowie, MD
Building Better Lives for Mothers in a Pregnancy Crisis
Jaclyn created Building Better Lives for Mothers in an educational outreach program aiding mothers/babies, and holding charity events with the Knights of Columbus.

Reilly Loftus
Great Falls, VA
Exploring the Forest Trail
Reilly created an interactive trail guide for families at local county parks, and held a Trail Activity Day to spark kids' interest in nature and the outdoors.

Jessica Lourenco
McLean, VA
First Aid is for Everyone Everywhere
Jessica prepared a lesson plan, taught basic first aid and provided first aid kits to 100 girls at the Mariposa Center for Girls in the Dominican Republic.

Anna Lee
The Plains, VA
Equality for Shelter Animals
Anna Lee's project combined her love of sewing and animals. She taught a class at Little Pincushion Studio to make heating pads for animals at the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Mikayla Lewis
Clinton, MD
What's the Buzz?
Mikayla taught people about carbon footprint, creating beehives, learning about pollination, planting native flowers and mixing natural pesticides for gardens.

Alicia Lopez
Alexandria, VA
Latina Loquenda
Alicia created a statewide spoken Latin program, which encouraged students and teachers to pursue passions, value interpersonal interactions, and try new things.

Nia Lowery
Bowie, MD
I Can Do It Too!
Nia led a team of teenage engineers to modify an inexpensive, fun, ride-on Lightning McQueen toy vehicle to allow children with lower body disabilities to safely drive with their upper extremities.
Hannah Lukow
Fairfax Station, VA
Animal Care Room: Redesigned for the Comfort of the Special Needs Students
Hannah redesigned Burke School’s “Animal Care Lab” and planted a butterfly garden to teach children responsibility.

Sarah Luthra
McLean, VA
Kickstart Computer Science
Sarah conducted computer science and technology workshops at two elementary schools in Fairfax County to encourage girls to break stereotypes and encourage them to enroll in CS courses in middle and high school.

Kashmala Mahmood
Sterling, VA
Books for the Community
Kashmala designated an area in her mosque for attendees and guests to read religious books.

Justice Marshall
Upper Marlboro, MD
Know Your Rights: Policing in the African American Community
Justice organized a panel presentation to resolve the negative stereotypes between minorities and law enforcement.

Sivan Lurie
Potomac, MD
History in a Box
Sivan created boxes full of handmade US history themed activities for elementary-aged kids, which she donated to schools to encourage a love for history.

Roxanne Lypka
Fairfax, VA
New Playhouse for Playground Enhancement
Roxanne built a playhouse for her church’s preschool. She worked with the school to design and build a structure that would be safe and fun for small kids.

Emma Markus
Silver Spring, MD
Cross Cultural Connections
Emma created a program that fosters cultural acceptance through video chats and pen pal letters between girls in Namibia and girls in her community.

Isobel Matsukas
Oakton, VA
Champions for Cerebral Palsy
Isobel founded a school club, “Champions for Cerebral Palsy,” and secured funding to donate to support a cerebral palsy organization.
Rachel Matz
Falls Church, VA
Cherry Hill Research
Rachel created an online archive and inventory for the Cherry Hill Farm House. The inventory included laminated documents for each of the Farm House rooms to help assist with tours.

Gabriella McClintock
Keyser, WV
Learning for a Lifetime
Gabi organized and hosted a three day camp for children in her area. The day camp taught children life skills with art, science and physical activities.

Katelyn McNamara
Alexandria, VA
Wolverines Against Human Trafficking
Katelyn created a club at her school to raise awareness of human trafficking in her community.

Elizabeth Meade
Reston, VA
Getting Organized One Page At A Time
Elizabeth created a curriculum of academic skills to help students going into middle & high school, giving workshops and creating a website to share with others.

Catherine Mbuashu-Ndip
Laurel, MD
Terps for Christ Room Renovation
Catherine created a ministry room for the "Terps for Christ" by decorating and painting an inviting room for learning, worship and prayer.

Christina McDonald
Keyser, WV
First Aid Awareness for the Elderly
Christina organized healthcare and first aid workshops and distributed first aid kits for the elderly residents of a local housing community.

Emily McNulty
Fairfax, VA
Batty for Non-Toxic Mosquito Prevention
Emily hung bat boxes in a wetland reserve and educated her community on why helping the bat population can combat mosquito-born communicable diseases.

Annali Menjivar
Arlington, VA
Life Prom
Annali hosted a senior citizen prom to spread awareness about the File of Life program and offered the opportunity to register for individual programs. File of Life provides a format for people to record vital information so first responders have easy access during an emergency.
**Gold Award Girl Scouts**

**Kate Meredith**
Arlington, VA
*Pet Emergency Preparedness*
Kate provided operational material and programmatic support to advance and sustain emergency pet preparedness in Arlington County.

**Meaghan Mullins**
Arlington, VA
*Sing! Creating Community Through Choir*
Meaghan organized members of her high school choir to perform and talk to elementary and middle school students, encouraging them to stay in school choir.

**Emma Miller**
Arlington, VA
*Why Pollinators Matter*
Emma led a series of bee hive visits and presentations to educate school-aged children and the community about the importance of honeybees.

**Lilly Meyer**
Woodbridge, VA
*Bringing Bluebirds Back*
Lillian created habitats for bluebirds at local parks and educated people about why the habitats are important.

**Ninsiima Mugamba**
Silver Spring, MD
*Nutrition and Fitness on a Budget*
Ninsiima addressed unhealthy eating and exercise habits in her community through a workshop at a school health fair where she provided affordable exercise and meal options.

**Alexandra Murphy**
Oakton, VA
*STEM Summer Camp for Military Kids*
Alexandra ran a free STEM summer camp for elementary children of military service members, teaching them how to run experiments using the scientific method.

**Hannah Myers**
North Potomac, MD
*Technology for Seniors*
Hannah organized a cell phone workshop for the senior citizens of Asbury Methodist Village Retirement community in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

**Kaitlyn Murray**
Frederick, MD
*Project Clean Stream*
Kaitlyn organized an event designed to educate her community about pollution and its effect on waterways.
Kennedy Nash  
Bowie, MD  
*Career and College Planning Series*  
Kennedy created a workshop to help young people experiencing homelessness learn about how they can go to college or find a career.

Kim-Mai Nguyen  
Vienna, VA  
*Empowering Teens to Build*  
Kim-Mai hosted workshops for teens to learn the life skill of carpentry using power and hand tools. Together they built and painted picnic tables to benefit a local temple in her community.

Jada Odom  
Temple Hills, MD  
*CPR Teen Training*  
Jada led a CPR training class for her peers to show others that following your dreams while helping others is possible.

Rachel Pak  
Burke, VA  
*Global Warming Up Close*  
Rachel made a video to capture the glaciers and wildfires to raise awareness for climate change. --the video garnered over 400 views on social media platforms!

Ann Newburn  
Falls Church, VA  
*The Little City Mural*  
Ann created a mural, highlighting cultural, historic and popular landmarks that represented the small-knit community of Falls Church City, Virginia.

Margaret Oakes  
Woodbridge, VA  
*Motivational Moments*  
Margaret motivated students at Dale City Elementary to feel good about themselves everyday, and created a peaceful place for them free of bullying.

Caroline Olson  
Woodbridge, VA  
*Fun with French*  
Caroline taught a series of lessons about French language and culture at a local elementary school to encourage global awareness and language.

Alicia Pané  
Vienna, VA  
*Bat Boxes*  
Alicia created educational materials and spoke at schools and camps about bats. She highlighted their importance and ways to help them.
Alexis Parks  
Arlington, VA  
*The Untold Stories - Collecting Oral History*  
Alexis created a program that focuses on teaching teens how to effectively interview senior citizens to collect their oral histories and learn about historical events through their stories.

Carolyn Pascal  
Ijamsville, MD  
*Educate Girls to End Hunger*  
Carolyn hosted events informing the community about hunger, gathered 832 food items, compelled 200 people to remain informed of the issue and produced a hunger video.

Tiana Petruccelli  
Vienna, VA  
*Pollinator Garden at County Park*  
Tiana constructed a pollinator garden at Riverbend Park and designed an educational sign to inform park-goers of the decreasing populations of pollinators and how we can help them.

Anna Potts  
Burtonsville, MD  
*Social Media Safety (SMS)*  
Anna's project focused on the safety and security of teens while on the internet.

Delaney Parks  
Fairfax Station, VA  
*Solving the Creativity Crisis*  
Delaney developed an after school writing program to teach fourth and fifth graders about different writing genres, providing a creative outlet for their imagination.

Amelia Paulsen  
McLean, VA  
*Mind the Gap: Making Northern Virginia safe for the deaf and hard of hearing*  
Amelia created a curriculum for local police about interacting with deaf constituents.

Jasmine Pham  
Boyds, MD  
*Girls Are Coders Too!*  
Jasmine designed and implemented a computer science program at her local middle school to expose and encourage young girls to code.

Tasha Pressler  
Falls Church, VA  
*Adaptive QiGong for Stability: A Multi-Generational Class and Video*  
Tasha organized a workshop to teach people of different ages and generations beginning movements in QiGong to help with stability.
Maia Primerano
Potomac, MD
**The Importance of Shearing**
Maia's project addressed the importance of raising awareness for animal cruelty and proper treatment of animals.

Rishika Randev
Ashburn, VA
**Empowering Children Via Career Education Facilitated by High School Mentors**
Rishika established an enrichment and mentorship program run by students in partnership with a non-profit serving underprivileged children.

Shreya Raychaudhuri
Vienna, VA
**Making Smiles Last Miles**
Shreya conducted workshops at local shelters and elementary schools to educate young kids about tooth decay and the importance of dental hygiene.

Megan Reesman
Mt. Airy, MD
**Supporting Our Veterans**
Megan organized a panel with local veterans to answer student questions and held workshops to craft blankets and cards for donation.

Jaskeerat Raheja
Fairfax, VA
**Restroom Reconstruction**
Jaskeerat went to India and renovated two restrooms for girls at a school near her grandparents' house, and taught the students about hygienic practices.

Meredyth Rankin
Warrenton, VA
**World History Boot Camp**
Meredyth organized and hosted review sessions to help high school students prepare for their first Advanced Placement (AP) test.

Julia Raymond
McLean, VA
**Learn to Earn for Healthy Babies**
Julia's project helped to implement a Learn to Earn program at HOPE, a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering women's health.

Katie Reuss
Vienna, VA
**First Time Campers Website With Social Media**
Katie created a website and social media pages for a program called First Time Campers.
Anna Rhodes  
Oak Hill, VA  
**Special Needs Camping Experience**  
Anna created and ran a weekend camp retreat to give children with special needs and their families a camp experience with the proper accommodations.

Kate Robertson  
Alexandria, VA  
**Fun and Fit Forever**  
Kathryn ran a week long summer camp teaching kids the importance of exercise and health in order to fight against the growing epidemic of childhood obesity.

Victoria Rodriguez  
Alexandria, VA  
**Positive Poetry Project - Fall into Poetry**  
Victoria provided a non-competitive venue for teen authors to create, refine, and share their poetry in workshops and through online and email submissions.

Carla Rose  
Bowie, MD  
**STEM Roots**  
Carla created a sustainable way for her neighborhood elementary school aftercare program to provide STEM opportunities for young students.

Kimberly Ross  
Washington, DC  
**Adopt Don’t Shop**  
Kimberly’s project addressed the negative perception of pet adoption by educating potential dog owners in her community about the benefits through a short video that she promoted using social media.

Alayna Rubach  
New Market, MD  
**Act It Out**  
Alayna held a performing arts workshop for students in grades fourth through eighth to teach them about the importance of the arts and how the arts can aid our futures.

Sophia Rubeiz  
Fairfax, VA  
**Bag of Books - Arabic/English Literacy Outreach**  
Sophia created a series of children books in Arabic and English to help native Arabic speaking children and their families in FCPS learn.

Tiarra Rush  
Cheltenham, MD  
**Together We Stand**  
Tiarra held an educational workshop open to all members of the community on the topic of human trafficking.
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Syeda Saima
Sterling, VA
**Never Again**
Syeda held events where she educated the public about the genocides that have occurred, and that are occurring right now.

Riya Saran
Falls Church, VA
**Art for Mariposa Girls**
Riya worked with the Mariposa Foundation spending one week teaching art lessons and painting a mural with girls in the Dominican Republic.

Claire Sawyer
Arlington, VA
Claire collected and organized medical supplies while leading a training on assistive devices for the Arlington Public Health Department.

Victoria Scheidt
Chesapeake, VA
**Monarch Butterfly Waystation**
Victoria created a Monarch Butterfly Way station to provide a habitat for the endangered species and raise awareness for the species.

Erinn Sanders
Frederick, MD
**Crochet with a Purpose**
Erinn hosted classes for her peers, teaching them how to crochet hats for premature babies in NICU. She also created an online video on how to make the hats.

Pharron Savage
Alexandria, VA
**Helping Hands, Healing Hearts**
Pharron's project addressed the loneliness often experienced by senior citizens, particularly those who find themselves residing in nursing facilities on a long-term basis.

Alexandra Scarber
Burke, VA
**Using Positivity to Improve Teenage Girls' Confidence**
Alexandra painted positive and inspirational messages on all of the women's bathroom stalls in her high school.

Peri Schiavone
Reston, VA
**Swimming: Breaking the Cycle**
Peri developed a free-swimming lesson program for five to eight year olds at Laurel Learning Center, a low-income daycare.
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**Krystal Shaw**
Bryans Road, MD
*Staying Safe Online While Using the Internet*
Krystal held a seminar with breakout sessions and had a keynote speaker, Senior Chief Michael A. Perez, USN, who gave a security brief on social media security.

**Aamna Siddiqui**
Clarksburg, MD
*Gift of Growing*
Aamna planted a community garden for a homeless shelter in Baltimore, MD, providing healthier options for the resident diets.

**Amelia Schmidt**
Fairfax, VA
*Physical and Emotional Benefits of Equine Therapy for Pediatric Cancer Fighters*
Amelia hosted a "day at the farm" to educate pediatric cancer families on the benefits of therapeutic horseback riding in cancer recovery.

**Lauren Scott**
Falls Church, VA
*Exploring STEM through Citrus Energy*
Lauren traveled to the Dominican Republic to teach impoverished girls the importance of pursuing STEM through lessons on green energy, acids and bases.

**Avenn Scrivner**
Landover, MD
*I AM THAT GIRL*
Avenn created a movement that highlighted the sensitivity of the plight of youth today. Her anti-bullying, hygiene and nutrition workshop was used to empower and uplift her peers.

**Melina Seng**
Alexandria, VA
*We are All In This Together: Reducing the Stigma of Teenage Depression*
Melina created a social media campaign focusing on reducing the stigma surrounding mental illnesses in high schools.

**Ritika Shrivastav**
McLean, VA
*Promoting Interest in Reading at Young Ages*
Ritika developed a program to help elementary school students learn to take advantage of their local library's resources.
Taylor Sieverling
Arlington, VA
Do Your Part. Compost.
Taylor targeted unsustainable lifestyles by implementing a compost program at her former elementary school and encouraging community members to compost.

Nikita Sivakumar
Ashburn, VA
Online Learning Resources Workshop for Local Middle School Students
Nikita conducted a workshop at Ashburn Library to educate students and parents on smart studying habits, and how to effectively use online learning resources.

Lindsey Smith
Alexandria, VA
The Bag Revolution
Lindsey hosted a watershed clean-up and made a short documentary about pollution, which she shared with other Girl Scouts while teaching them how to make reusable bags.

Erin Spalding
Oakton, VA
Teen Poverty and Homelessness in Fairfax County Documentary
Erin created a documentary on teen poverty and homelessness in Fairfax County to bring awareness to her community.

Tolani Smith
Washington, DC
High School Hackathon
Tolani created, planned and hosted a school-wide event called a Mockathon - a tech competition to design and code the best app.

Sarah Snyder
New Market, MD
Practical Self-Defense Seminar
Sarah taught girls in high school how to stay safe when driving, and different techniques of self defense.

Katya Stafira
Front Royal, VA
Discover your Talents!
Katya created a curriculum for the Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum and other organizations to train teenagers to be successful and comfortable in camp, vacation Bible school, and babysitting.

Lily Stettler-Eno
Washington, DC
Skip the Straw
Lily educated her peers and the community about the negative impacts that plastic straws have on the environment.
Caroline Susco
Clifton, VA
Let’s Play Ball!
Caroline collected softball equipment and created a free clinic to teach girls how to play softball. She donated the equipment to Level The Playing Field Inc. that gives it to youth athletes in need of equipment.

Marius Taper
Brandywine, MD
Dress for Success, Interviewing, and Networking
Marius hosted a workshop for students at her school to assist teens in understanding how to dress for success, how to interview successfully and network.

Delaney Theisz
Falls Church, VA
Native Plant Display and Education Gardens
Delaney held a native plant demonstration garden located at Cherry Hill Park that contained both sun and shade plants native to Virginia.

Julia Tomlinson
Gaithersburg, MD
Learn to Swim Program
Julia taught free swimming lessons to kids in her surrounding community. She worked to improve their swimming skills and water safety awareness.

Krystina Tanner
Fairfax Station, VA
Spread Your Wings
Krystina planted a Monarch butterfly garden at her local church and taught children about how they can help save this endangered species.

Anna Thamasett
Ashburn, VA
Brambleton Beats Percussion Camp
Anna coordinated and taught middle school students at the Brambleton Beats Percussion Camp to encourage young girls to learn and play percussion.

Carina Thornton
Columbia, MD
Expanding the Knowledge of Allergy Protection
Carina’s project addressed keeping students and teachers with food allergies safe in her school.
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**Halley Vance**  
Arlington, VA  
*Edible Garden- Food for Thought*  
Halley created a small edible garden at Potomac Overlook Regional Park containing herbs, berries, and edible flowers that will be used in conjunction with summer camps for ages five through fifteen.

**Lydia Vlasto**  
Aldie, VA  
*Working Worms*  
Lydia created a public information campaign about the value of vermicomposting, also known as worm composting.

**Caroline Whitacre**  
Fairfax, VA  
*INOVA Fair Oaks Storage Room Revamp*  
Caroline transformed a storage closet into a Caritas room for staff at Inova Fair Oaks Hospital. This gave the nurses and doctors a private safe space to relax and pump during their long and sometimes stressful 12-hour shifts.

**Lydia Williams**  
Bryans Road, MD  
*Lights, Camera, Read!*  
Lydia led literacy workshops that used theater and drama activities to improve reading skills. She created a blog for kids to share books and built a Little Library for easier access to books.

**Maya Woods-Arthur**  
Washington, DC  
*One Book at a Time*  
Maya built a children’s library for the Sixth District police station, which is located in a low-income section of Washington, D.C.

**Elisabeth Warren**  
Montgomery Village, MD  
*The Outing Club*  
Elisabeth founded a club at her high school where she taught students basic outdoor skills, the ways they impact the environment and introduced them to various high adventure activities.

**Krystal Williams**  
Upper Marlboro, MD  
*M.U.S.E.: Music Utilized for Student Education*  
Krystal hosted a workshop for middle school-aged kids to demonstrate how music connects to their core subjects through the construction of PVC pipe instruments.

**Brianna Womack**  
Washington, DC  
*Don’t Mess with Her*  
Brianna conducted a self-defense class for high school females in order to protect them from sexual assault and how to keep themselves safe in college.
Rita Yoham
Centreville, VA
Save the Bees
Rita painted a mural at her local middle school to advocate for the decline of the bee population, and had the students write letters to the EPA to save the bees.

Fatima Younis
Middletown, MD
Islamic Awareness
Fatima worked with a group of volunteers and student leaders to bring Islamic Awareness Week to her community college.

Alanna Zosckak
Haymarket, VA
Serve Our Willing Warriors
Alanna built a gaming platform at the Willing Warrior Retreat to aid in the recovery of veterans and promote appreciation for the sacrifices of U.S. service members.

Arielle Yates
Lorton, VA
ACTion!
Arielle’s project was to interest children in the theatre arts along with increasing self confidence through improvisation.

Julie Zylich
Woodbridge, VA
Swimming Safely
Julie taught water safety and swimming to kids in her surrounding community who did not have access to recreational services.

Eliza Young
McLean, VA
Convergence Insufficiency Awareness Project
Eliza raised awareness for Convergence Insufficiency (CI), a visual processing disorder affecting 1/20 people, by starting a website (cihelp.org) and leading volunteers in a CI awareness day.

Minnie Zdanis
Germantown, MD
Squirrel Boxes
Minnie built new and improved squirrel boxes for a wildlife organization called the Second Chance Wildlife Center.

Aryana Zullo
Leesburg, VA
The Wonderful World of Bats
Aryana wrote a book about bats to use in presentations focused on dismantling stereotypes and educating 250 children ages five to nine in Loudoun County, Virginia, about bats.
GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 1916, Girl Scouts have accepted the challenge of earning the Movement’s highest award, thereby demonstrating a commitment to bettering themselves, their communities, and the world; and

WHEREAS, this highest award has had different names over the years, including the Golden Eaglet (1916–39), the Curved Bar (1940–63), First Class (1938–40, 1963–80), and, since 1980, the Girl Scout Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, those who have earned it have shown the same outstanding leadership skills, determination, and resilience that have made Girl Scouts’ highest award a unique rite of passage for young women across the Movement;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sylvia Acevedo, chief executive officer of Girl Scouts of the USA, do hereby proclaim that all who have earned the highest award in Girl Scouts can on this day, January 15, 2019, and henceforth be recognized as Gold Award Girl Scouts, united by their similarities and their ideals, with all rights and privileges therein.

THROUGH THE YEARS

The highest award in Girl Scouting has gone through many name changes since it was established in 1916 as The Golden Eagle of Merit. Now it’s called the Girl Scout Gold Award, but the essence remains the same. It is awarded to girls who embody community leadership through their actions.
GOLD AWARD PANEL

The Gold Award Panel is comprised of six regional groups of committed volunteers who meet every month to help guide girls through the Gold Award process. Our Gold Award Panel reviews proposals and provides constructive feedback to potential Gold Award girls. The Panel members are essential to girls earning the Gold Award through Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital.

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GOLD AWARD SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Many colleges and universities offer scholarships to Girl Scouts who have earned the Gold Award, because they recognize the leadership skills required to earn this award.

Our Council offers Gold Award scholarships to graduating high school seniors valued $1,000 each to attend the college of her choice. The Gold Award Scholarship Panel is comprised of members of the business community with a commitment to Girl Scouting. The Panel reviewed written applications and identified semifinalists to be interviewed at the Council office. Based on the interviews, committee members selected the scholarship recipients. Our Council also offers a Young Woman of Distinction award to a Gold Award recipient, valued $2,000.

The Council’s scholarships for Gold Award recipients are funded through generous gifts from Sara Phillips, a lifetime Girl Scout volunteer, in support of the Sara and Lawrence Phillips Scholarships; a gift from an anonymous donor in honor of Marilynn Carr; and Shenandoah Region scholarships supported through an endowment from lifetime Girl Scouts Eva L. Woolridge and Lynne Seibert-Steptoe.

2019 GOLD AWARD SCHOLARSHIP PANEL

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GINA WASSON
Community Volunteer

STEPHANIE TSACOUMIS
Pebble Beach Associates, LLC
The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout Cadette can achieve. This award recognizes girls who participated in a range of Take Action projects benefiting their communities.

Through their projects, the girls listed in this yearbook learned leadership and organizational skills, explored potential career paths and improved their neighborhoods.

Congratulations to the following Silver Award Girl Scouts:
SILVER AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Humaira Hatif
Korinne Hay
Mya Hayling
Caroline Healy
Corale Heck
Jasmine Hector
Rania Khalid Hedo
Hannah Gajeski Heffernan
Riley Heffron
Ashley Heintz
Katie Hendricks
Shannon Henley
Kailee Herald
Sophia Herbert
Elise Herman
Olivia Herman
Greta Hermann
Mary Katherine Hetey
Samantha Heyison
Bronte Pepper Hicks
Kathleen Higgins
April Higgs
Sarah Hilbrandt
Camilla Catherine Hill
Elizabeth Hill
Janna Hill
Cassidy Hillman
Katherine Hinchcliffe
Kyla Hitchcock
Kathy Ho
Lauren Hockaday
Natalie Hogan
Christine Maya Hollins
Janelle Holmes
Dhamisaa Holsclaw
Haleigh L. Hook
Clara Hoover
Yasha Hoque
Catherine Hoskins
Haley Hottman
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Lily Hsu
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Madeline Hull
Kaitlin Hunter
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Aaliyah Jamison
Danyelle Jamison
Julianne Janke
Sarah Janson
Ella Jarrett
Lauren Jarrett
Nadia Jason
Nicole Jehle
Katy Jendzurski
Alicia Johnson
Braiynen (Mila) Johnson
Brooke Johnson
Christine Marie Johnson
Darcy Johnson
Kristin Johnson
Meghan Johnson
Mollie Johnson
Rebekah Johnson
Samantha Johnson
Tayla Johnson
Emily Jon
Caroline Jones
Claire Jones
Lily Jones
Myiesha Jones
Kyra Joostema
Makena Jordan
Annika Kakkar
Vida Kalidindi
Zayna Kalifa
Lareen Kalle
Catherine Kang
Mehna Kathuria
Harnoor Kaur
Jada Keitt
Maddie Kelberg
Avery Keller
Catherine Kelly
Priscilla Kelly
Kendal Keough
Natalie Keough
Mya Kezarmalzahn
Alisha Khan
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