Women’s Suffrage Centennial
1920-2020
Patch Program
Welcome!
The Women’s Suffrage Centennial patch program encourages Girl Scouts to explore the rich history of the women’s movement by visiting multiple places throughout our Council. We will try to update this guide as more programs/exhibits become available. The program is appropriate for girls of all levels. In completing this program, girls will...

DISCOVER
...discover the contributions and dedication of the women who fought for our right to vote. They will learn to appreciate and honor our country’s female leaders – past and present – by visiting important historical sites.

CONNECT
...connect with their troops or families and the world around them by completing activities that encourage them to think critically about our country’s social and political history.

TAKE ACTION
...apply the knowledge they gain from this trip when they return home. They will be inspired to create projects that share their experience with others and help them to take action in their own communities.
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## Activity Requirements

To earn the patch, you will need to:

1. Complete 6 activities from any of the categories below. Try not to do all 6 from the same category.
   - Category 1: Events In Your State – attend an event/exhibit in your state
   - Category 2: Virtual Tours – virtually tour online exhibits
   - Category 3: Documentaries – watch one of the documentaries listed
   - Category 4: Places to Visit – in-person, visit one of the sites listed
   - Category 5: Books for Young Readers – choose a book or two

2. Keep a journal of your experiences.

3. Complete a project of your choosing to share your experience and what you have learned about the Women’s Suffrage Movement and your hopes for the future. Project ideas can be found on page 12.

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Ordering Patches
Patches for this program will only be available until December 31, 2020. All patches must be purchased or ordered before this date. No exceptions. Patches can be purchased from the Girl Scout Shop. Phone orders are also accepted (202-274-3312). Not available online.

Bonus
If you visit all the sites under the Places to Visit category, you will also earn the G.I.R.L. Power segment from the Discover the Nation’s Capital patch program.

Download the Discover the Nation’s Capital guide from our website to learn more about this patch program.

Know Before You Go
A trip to the many sites listed requires planning in advance. Keep in mind:
- Hours – they are different for all locations, and sites may be closed nights, weekends or holidays.
- Tours – many places require an appointment for a group tour; look on each location’s website to find out more information.
- Prices – while most places are free of charge, be sure to check the website for each place you plan to visit to see if there are any fees.
Category 1: **Events in Your State**

Many states are hosting ceremonies and exhibits commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment. The link below is just one way to find out what is happening near you. The site is constantly being updated so be sure to check regularly for any updates.

[https://www.womensvote100.org/states](https://www.womensvote100.org/states)

Browse the National Woman’s Party website for other opportunities in your area focused on equality for women. [https://www.nationalwomansparty.org/](https://www.nationalwomansparty.org/)

*Tennessee Woman Suffrage Monument*
*Courtesy of LeQuire Gallery*
Category 2: Virtual Tours

The websites below offer a lot of information on the Women’s Suffrage Movement that you can explore at your own pace. These websites are great if you cannot visit a site in-person or if you want to brush up on your history before visiting a site.

Maryland Historical Trust: Maryland Women’s Fight for the Vote
https://mht.maryland.gov/research_suffragestorymap.shtml

Maryland and the 19th Amendment
https://www.nps.gov/articles/maryland-and-the-19th-amendment.htm

Virginia and the 19th Amendment
https://www.nps.gov/articles/virginia-women-s-history.htm

West Virginia and the 19th Amendment
https://www.nps.gov/articles/west-virginia-women-s-history.htm

District of Columbia and the 19th Amendment

Women's Suffrage
https://www.pbs.org/kenburns/not-for-ourselves-alone/womens-suffrage/

Workhouse Prison Museum
http://www.workhousearts.org/museum/

National Women’s History Museum
https://www.womenshistory.org/

Crusade for the Vote
http://www.crusadeforthevote.org/

Turning Point Suffragist Memorial
https://suffragistmemorial.org/
Category 3: Documentaries

With permission from an adult, check out the documentaries listed below.

_Ida B. Wells: A Passion for Justice_

_Not For Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton & Susan B. Anthony_
(Only available through membership to your local PBS station – ex. WETA|Passport OR purchase from Amazon)

_American Experience: One Woman, One Vote_
(Available for purchase at Barnes and Nobles online, Amazon, and PBS)

_Suffragette_ (Available for purchase on Amazon)

_Iron Jawed Angels_ (Available for purchase on Amazon)

_Alice Paul: The Suffragist_ (Available for purchase at PBS, Amazon, and iTunes)
Category 4: Places to Visit

Some of the sites listed have permanent exhibits on the Women’s Suffrage Movement while some are temporary. Check out each site’s website before you go for visiting hours and fees.

Visiting all of the sites in this section will earn you the G.I.R.L. Power segment from the Discover the Nation’s Capital patch program. Leader Guides can be downloaded from our online reservation site found on the Kits and Patches page of our website: www.gscnc.org.

Women’s Suffrage Museum at the Workhouse Prison Museum
9517 Workhouse Way* Lorton, Virginia 22079 *Building 9
https://workhousemuseums.org/

The original Workhouse was designed to rehabilitate and reform prisoners through fresh air, good food, honest work, and fair treatment. One of the most interesting events in the prison’s history took place in 1917 when 72 suffragists who had been arrested for picketing the White House were imprisoned at the Workhouse. Visit the permanent exhibits to learn more about the conditions these women were forced to live in.

National Portrait Gallery (shares location with American Art Museum)
8th Street & F Street, NW, Washington, DC
Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown (Green/Yellow/Red Lines)
http://www.npg.si.edu

The National Portrait Gallery celebrates great American leaders who have made their mark on our society. It houses portraits of American presidents, activists, artists and pop culture icons.

Find the portrait of Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of the Girl Scouts. What would Juliette think of women’s equality today? Would she approve of our progress?

Visit the exhibition Votes for Women: A Portrait of Persistence, on display March 29, 2019-January 5, 2020. Visit the following portraits: Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Alice Paul, and Lucretia Coffin Mott. Also look for the following pictures: The Coronation of Womanhood and Representative Women. Do you feel like the work of these women is done?
Library of Congress
101 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC
Metro: Capitol South (Blue/Orange/Silver Lines)
www.loc.gov

The Library of Congress is recognized as the United States’ national library and houses more than 147 million items including books, sheet music and maps. Charged to make knowledge and creativity continuously available to the U.S. Congress, it is the world’s largest library.

Visit the exhibition, **Shall Not Be Denied: Women Fight for the Vote.**
*June 4, 2019 – September 2020*

National Museum of American History
Fourteenth Street & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
Metro: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange/Silver Lines)
http://americanhistory.si.edu

The National Museum of American History serves to preserve, protect, and display America’s historic treasures. It gives a broader understanding of our nation, its people and history.

See the following items in the museum’s collection: Declaration of Sentiments Table, Suffrage Sash, ERA Charm Bracelet, and “Jailed for Freedom” Pin. Check the current exhibitions listing for additional displays on the Women’s Suffrage Movement.

Mary McLeod Bethune Council House
1318 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
Metro: McPherson Square (Blue/Orange/Silver Lines) or U Street/African American Civil War Memorial/Cardozo (Green/Yellow Lines)
http://www.nps.gov/mamb/

The Mary McLeod Bethune Council House is the site of the first headquarters of the National Council of Negro Women and the home of its founder, Mary McLeod Bethune. This house was the location where the Council came up with strategies and developed programs that advanced the interests of African American women and the entire community.

Explore how the National Women’s Party largely excluded African American women. How did these women respond to not being included?
Belmont-Paul Women’s Equality National Monument
144 Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington, DC
Metro: Union Station (Red Line) or Capitol South (Blue/Orange/Silver Lines)
https://www.nps.gov/bepa/

The Belmont-Paul Women’s Equality National Monument celebrates women’s progress toward equality and their contributions to society. It houses a large collection of suffrage documents, archives and artifacts that document the effort by women and men to gain voting rights and equality to women.

Take a tour and look at the collection of materials from the suffrage movement and the campaign for the Equal Rights Amendment. What issues regarding the equality of women are you most passionate about?

National Archives
700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
Metro: Archives-Navy Memorial-Penn Quarter (Green/Yellow Lines)
http://www.archives.gov/dc-metro/washington/

The National Archives stores and preserves documents all the way back from the beginning of the country until now. These documents are all so important to understanding our nation’s past and how it brought us to our present.

Visit the exhibition, Rightfully Hers: American Women and the Vote. May 10, 2019 to January 3, 2021

U.S. Capitol
Independence Avenue & First Street, SE, Washington, DC
Metro: Capitol South (Blue/Orange/Silver Lines)
http://www.visitthecapitol.gov/

The U.S. Capitol has been the home to the Senate and the House of Representatives since the late 18th century. It is a monument to the government, the American people, and the ideals of our country.

In the Rotunda, see the statues of: Adelaide Johnson, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Lucretia Mott, Inez Milholland Boissevain, and Alice Paul. Who were these women and what did they do for the Women’s Movement?
# Category 5: Books for Young Readers

The National Woman’s Party frequently hosts book talks in the Washington, DC metro area. Check their site for upcoming events. [https://www.nationalwomansparty.org/](https://www.nationalwomansparty.org/)

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Project Ideas

Girls will make a project to share with their troop, family or others about their journey. They can present a general overview of their experiences or info about a specific place or person. Another option is to create an art or writing piece that they were inspired to carry out.

Girls can choose one of the following ideas, adapt a suggestion or invent their own project!

- Make a brochure about one of the places you visited – real or virtual
- Create a skit based on something you learned and act it out
- Write a poem, song or short story inspired by your experience
- Write a letter to a woman in history that you learned about
- Record a PSA or short video about a cause you would like to further explore
- Create a painting, drawing or sculpture inspired by a museum exhibit – real or virtual
- Make a piece of jewelry dedicated to a past or present female leader
- Assemble a collage that includes ticket stubs, pictures and notes from your journey
- Post photos from your journey on your blog or social media page – be sure to include captions

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