



Community Service Patch Program

To earn the main patch (what the dangles attach to)- agree to live out the Girl Scout Promise and Law to your best ability each day. That's it! We trust that you know the Promise and Law and will periodically remind yourself what it means to live with those values.

To earn each dangle patch- do at least one thing from the short list provided OR something similar.

Good Neighbors

1. Volunteer with an organization to serve a holiday meal (or a regular meal- depending on your community).
2. Collect warm layers and donate them to those in need.
3. As a troop, participate in the "Angel Tree" project. Some communities have other names for this, but the concept is the same. Select a person to gift to from a list or a tree full of tags- then go shopping for them. Only wrap your gifts before returning them to be given if the organization you're shopping for is okay with that (some aren't).
4. Volunteer with a food pantry or food bank. If those aren't options in your area, try a free pantry!
5. Bake treats for your neighbors! Make "goodie bags" of cookies, bars, or breads and drop them off at each house on your block, each unit in your apartment building, or maybe your whole subdivision!

Or take action in another way that gives to families in your community—especially causes your troop cares about! Try to do something you wouldn't normally be doing already.

Animal Aids

1. Make homemade pet treats and donate them (check with your local animal shelter beforehand).
2. Create animal adoption flyers to promote your local shelter or an upcoming adoption event in your area. Distribute these around town in places you think people who like animals might be.
3. Give back to outdoor critters! Warm day: Clean up at a local park, creek, or trail. Cold day: put out bird feeders so birds can find a tasty treat even when the bugs and small critters are harder to find.
4. Winter is a great time to plan your spring garden! Find a place for your troop to create a pollinator garden bed or a veggie garden to share with your community next summer. If this is in a public place like a park, town hall, or school- winter is the perfect time to ask for permission for your troop to start a garden there. This is also a great time to prepare seeds, tools, and schedules for spring gardening.
5. When you work at a vet clinic, sometimes your day is very cute and fun but other times, your day isn't quite as happy. Create a "Bad Day Box" for your local veterinarian's office. Include things like tissues, candy, fidgets, and kind cards for when the vet staff have rough days at work. While this isn't directly for animals, it impacts those who help them stay safe and healthy, and that's important too.

Or take action in another way that gives to animals in your community—especially causes your troop cares about! Try to do something you wouldn't normally be doing already.

Psst: If you're completing these requirements, you may have almost earned the August 2026 Monthly Patch. Be sure to check that out and see what other fun animal-focused activities you might enjoy!



Sister to All



1. Organize a fun activity for a local senior living community.
2. “Adopt” an older neighbor and help with basic household tasks (with adult supervision!) These might be things like: picking up a grocery delivery and dropping it off at their house, keeping them company by playing cards after school, helping plant garden beds or flower pots, assisting with using technology, or maybe just checking in on them as a friendly neighbor.
3. Deliver Meals on Wheels (with adult help)
4. Help log the memories. As a troop, host a scrapbooking party for local seniors. Help organize photos, be an extra set of hands for those who aren’t as good at fine motor tasks like gluing or putting photos into sleeves anymore, and write/type notes about who each person is and the stories that go with the photos. This might become a multi-day project, but the work will be appreciated for generations.
5. Volunteer to lay wreaths and other grave decorations for folks who can’t drive anymore.

Or take action in another way that gives to elders in your community—especially causes your troop cares about! Try to do something you wouldn’t normally be doing already.

Eco-Friends



1. Clean up a local park, creek, or trail.
2. Plant a tree! (Psst: if you do this, check out the Girl Scout Tree Promise Patch Program!)
3. Teach other Girl Scouts about recycling.
4. Volunteer with a local organization that does environmental work.
5. Go Lights Out one night a week. After a certain time (each family can choose their own), turn off the tv, computers, video games, and even the lights- and have a tech free, low electricity night as a family. You might try playing board games by candlelight, stargazing outside, or glow stick reading to be good ways to spend time having fun in the dark!

Or take action in another way that cares for the environment in your community—especially causes your troop cares about! Try to do something you wouldn’t normally be doing already.