

# Bridge to Adult



Bridging to an adult Girl Scout is a time for young women to embrace what they have learned in Girl Scouting, honor how it will forever be a part of who they are, and step into the world as a young woman of courage, confidence, and character.

Women who bridge to adult join millions of Girl Scouts and Girl Scout alums. Whether they want to build their resumes, blaze a career path, or make new friends based on a shared Girl Scout experience, they've got a worldwide sisterhood to add richness and fun for the rest of their lives!

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## Earning the Bridging Award

To earn the Bridge to Adult Award, complete one bridging activity from the two bridging steps: Pass It On! and Look Ahead! These steps can be found in the handbook section of the Ambassador Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting.



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### Pass It On!

Find a way for these experienced Girl Scouts to share knowledge, skills, enthusiasm, and spirit. Do one or more of the following or create your own:

- Spend some time with Seniors bridging to Ambassadors and share favorite parts of the Ambassador experience like Journeys, Take Action projects, trips, and leadership lessons learned.
- Teach something to younger Girl Scouts. Show off all those leadership skills! Help girls earn badges or complete a Journey activity. Hold a fitness clinic or dance class. Teach them rock climbing, graphic design, cooking, karate, or another special skill learned from their time as Girl Scouts.
- Volunteer to help your council, a community group, or a global organization. Show others what being a Girl Scout means.

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### Look Ahead!

Find out what adult Girl Scouts do. Talk to adult Girl Scouts and find out what inspires them. Reflect on how Girl Scouting has been a positive influence. Do one or more of the following or create your own:

- Get together with an adult Girl Scout. Ask about the endurance of the Girl Scout legacy. What do they embrace about being adults in Girl Scouting?
- Say thank you! Hold an appreciation breakfast or lunch for the adult Girl Scouts who have been supportive. Share memories, photos, or even a poem to tell them how much their help was appreciated.
- Take a walk down memory lane! Create a "Favorite Moments of Girl Scouting" slideshow. Add some music and gather friends, family, and Girl Scouts to share the Girl Scout memories.

## Plan a Ceremony

Celebrate earning the Bridge to Adult Award with a favorite ceremony or create a new one. Then proudly add the bridging patch—the last one!—to sashes or vests. After bridging, young women may register as an adult member of GSUSA. A special lifetime membership, at a reduced cost, is offered to registered Ambassador Girl Scouts at the time of their high school graduation, provided they apply for the lifetime membership before their current annual membership expires.



# Ways to Volunteer

Be the troop leader that supports girls every week—the one that watches their smiles grow bigger as they grow more confident. Mentor a Girl Scout Cookie Professional during cookie season so she can earn enough to reach the goals she and her troop set. Or work with other adults to provide the kind of behind-the-scenes support that makes it possible for her to make amazing new memories at Girl Scouts.

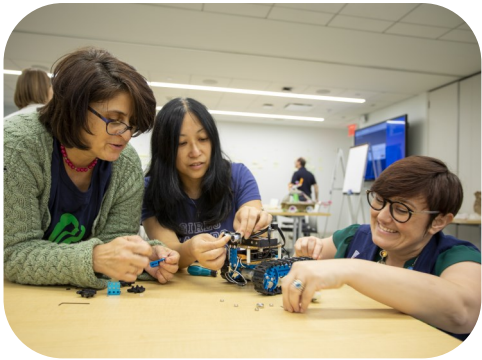


Whether you can give a few hours, a few weeks, or a few months, volunteering with Girl Scouts is flexible and fun.

**Troop Leader**  
**Troop Assistant**



**Troop Assistant:  
Cookie Manager**  
**Troop Assistant:  
Fall Product  
Manager**



**Series Facilitator**  
**Series Assistant**



**Workshop  
Facilitator (Girl)**  
**GSWO Trainer  
(Adult)**



**Camp Volunteers**  
**Event Support**

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