



Girls Representing Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles at the 2016 Girl Scout Gold Award Centennial Celebration at the California State Capitol

Inaara Biring, San Marino

Through her Gold Award project, Inaara collaborated with Girl Guides in painting a mural on playground walls at Mother Teresa's Orphanage in India. The project included donated art supplies, computers, and toys to the children. Girl Guides will continue to give weekly art and computer lessons.

Jacqueline Brown-Gaines, Los Angeles

Jacqueline's Gold Award project helped students learn valuable life skills for independent living after high school. Through a four-week series of workshops, each with a different topic, workshop participants did hands-on activities to prepare for living on their own.

Daniela Castro, Covina

Daniela's Gold Award project brought a camp-like experience to at-risk youth. She helped them develop skills in music, swimming, cooking, and arts and crafts. Furthermore, she was able to raise funds in order to paint and give a fresh look to the dining hall at St. Cecelia's.

Alyssa Chiang, Granada Hills

Seeing young women struggle with self-confidence due to media pressures, Alyssa established the "Girl Power Club," planning weekly activities aimed at empowering girls in the community. The club continues to run today, making a difference in girls' lives.

Candace Gendreau, Downey

Candace discovered a need to address the problem of midges (flying insects) along the Santa Ana River. She contacted the Orange County Water District and learned tree swallows are an environmentally safe way to rid the area of these pests. For her project, she built 30 bird boxes to attract tree swallows to this area.

Sarah Gillespie, La Cañada

Noticing the lack of opportunities in the Hyde Park/Crenshaw neighborhood of Los Angeles, Sarah remodeled a foster home bedroom and created a computer internet/homework area for a nonprofit mentoring group in the community.

Piper Ireland, Rancho Palos Verdes

A docent at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Piper saw a way to enhance the learning experience of aquarium visitors. She assembled discovery boxes, encouraging hands-on learning about marine ecosystems. She took her presentation to elementary schools to promote environmental awareness.

Clare Madera, Woodland Hills

Clare's Gold Award project was inspired by her close connection to Camp Sierra, which she has gone to for years. She organized and led a crew of 15 on a weekend event, refurbished a nursery for children, and created a loving and welcoming environment where parents would feel comfortable leaving their children.