

YEAR OF SERVICE – COMMUNITY SERVICE CHALLENGE

The Year of Service Community Service Challenge is meant to encourage all girls, troops, service units and families to make a difference in our world by reaching out to those in need. The challenge is for each girl to serve at least 5 hours during a given year, between September 1st and May 31st. Each hour spent helping others makes our world a better place.

The base (globe) patch is earned for the first 5 hours of community service completed, and for each additional 5 hours of service, a star is earned. The Making the World a Better Place globe and stars may be earned by any Girl Scout from Daisies through Ambassadors. Troop Leaders and any individual working with the girls on any given service project can also take up this challenge. There is no limit to the amount of stars that may be earned - the sky is the limit!

In order to report your hours of service and explain your project, there is a short form (below) which you are required to turn in when you purchase your globe and/or stars. This form asks for a brief description of your service, how many participated and the total number of service hours you volunteered. If a troop works on a Community Service project together, their hours can be submitted by the leader on one form. These patches, when placed on the Girl Scout uniform, go on the back of the tunic/vest/sash. The stars can be placed anywhere around the globe you choose. To purchase your globes and/or stars, visit the Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois website at GirlScoutsToday.org and click on the Shop tab. The globe patch is \$2.50 and the stars are \$.60 each.

So, go ahead, take the challenge and see how many stars you can earn to place around your globe! You can do it – it's time to get started.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Name _____ Troop Number _____

City _____ State _____

Organization you partnered with (if any) _____

Number of Girls _____ Number of Adults _____

Average number of hours per participant _____ Total number of hours _____

Describe your service on the back of this form.