

Our Community



For: Brownies

By learning about their community, girls will feel more connected and understand the value of contributing their time and effort to the community now and in the future. (Please check badge availability at <http://www.girlscoutshop.com/SOUTHERN-ALABAMA-COUNCIL> before beginning activities.)

Steps:

1. Explore your community
2. Visit an attraction or special place of interest
3. Participate in a community event
4. Give back to your community
5. Be your community historian

Purpose: When I earn this badge, I'll know about the community where I live and all the fun things it has to offer.

Step 1: Explore your community

Learn about your community and discover its rich history.

Choices – Do one:

1. Take a field trip to a place that is important to your community's history. Visit a museum, old cemetery, historic building, house, old school, or landmark. Explore its history.
2. Take a walking tour of an historical part of your community. This could be in your downtown area or in an historical district. Find out about the history.
3. Read a story about your community and the people who live there, or invite a senior citizen to tell you about the community as they were growing up there. Find out some things that make your town unique and special.

Step 2: Visit an attraction or special place of interest

Every community has tourist attractions or unique qualities that make it a special place for visitors and the people who live there. Find out about the fun, unique things your community has to offer.

Choices – Do one:

1. Visit a tourist attraction with your troop or family. Find out 3 interesting facts about it and share them.
2. Have a picnic with your troop or family at a special place that is unique to your community. This place could be a beach, a park, or lake. Why is it special to your community?
3. Visit a historical place with your troop or family. What significance does it have?

Step 3: Participate in a community event

The fun about being part of a community is participating in special events. You will feel connected to your community and the people who live there when you get involved.

Choices – Do one:

1. Attend a festival in your community with your troop or family.
2. Join in a community celebration. There are celebrations for town anniversaries, special recognition for leaders in the community, or celebration for something new being introduced into the community.
3. Go to a sporting event with your troop or family.

Step 4: Give back to your community

Being part of a community also means giving back.

Choices – Do one:

1. Help with a community service project.
2. Participate with your troop or family in a community clean up day.
3. Visit with first responders and thank them for keeping your community safe. You could bring them thank you cards or Girl Scout cookies.

Step 5: Become your community historian

Historians record information about their community for future generations. Become a community historian by recording all the fun things you have learned while earning this badge.

Choices- Do one:

1. Make a scrapbook about the many places you visited while earning this badge.
2. Draw a picture of one of the unique places you visited with your troop or family.
3. Give a report to your troop about one of the places you have visited with your family while earning this badge. Tell them why that place was special.