



# Highest Awards Ceremony

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Gold Award Girl Scout Jaynie Fu "YOU and your Mental Health"

## We Are Girl Scouts

As we honor our Bronze, Silver and Gold Award Girl Scouts today who are learning to lead with strength, compassion and confidence in our community, it reminds us how important leadership development is to our future.

Girl Scouts bring their dreams to life as they work together to build a better world. Through programs from coast to coast, Girl Scouts of all backgrounds and abilities can be unapologetically themselves as they discover their strengths and rise to meet new challenges—whether they want to climb to the top of a tree or the top of their class, lace up their boots for a hike or advocate for climate justice, or make their first best friends. Backed by trusted adult volunteers, mentors, and millions of alums, Girl Scouts lead the way as they find their voices and make changes that affect the issues most important to them.

Girl Scouts are change-makers. They have changed the world, changed their lives, and for those recognized today as Gold Award Girl Scouts have earned the most prestigious award in Girl Scouting.

You go girls!



Gold Award Girl Scout Kirra Leonard "Educating Parents on Children's Mental Health"



Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.



On my honor, I will try:
To serve God\* and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.



I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

<sup>\*</sup>Members may substitute for the word God in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.

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#### Welcome

Molly Schmidt, COO, Girl Scouts of Hawai'i

#### Emcee

Sierra Iga, Girl Advocate, Troop 188

2023 Girl Scout Bronze Award Processional 2023 Girl Scout Silver Award Processional 2023 Girl Scout Gold Award Processional

### Girl Scout Protocols

Teen Mentors Elizabeth P., Troop 2026 — Lawai D., Troop 700 — Chloe M., Troop 590

> Presentation of Colors Pledge of Allegiance Girl Scout Promise

### Recognition of Bronze Award Girl Scouts Recognition of Silver Award Girl Scouts

## Guest Speaker

Lauren Nahme, Vice President of Strategy & Transformation, Kamehameha Schools

### Gold Award Girl Scout Speeches & Presentation of Girl Scout Gold Awards

Closing Remarks
Molly Schmidt, COO, Girl Scouts of Hawai'i

## Steps to the Bronze Award

The Girl Scout Bronze Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Junior in grades 4-5 can achieve. Through the project, she will develop more confidence, meet new people, and work with other Girl Scouts to make a difference in her community.

The Girl Scout Bronze Award represents what Girl Scouts can achieve in their communities. Girls team up with each other to use their special skills and interests to take action and make a difference in their communities and around the world. They have learned how to utilize local resources and make contact with members of their community to find where they can have the greatest impact.

A girl who earns her Girl Scout Bronze Award has learned that leadership can be fun when working with others to accomplish a common goal. Her commitment to her Bronze Award team will serve her well as she endeavors to leave her mark on her local and global community.

### Bronze Award Girl Scouts

**Troop 115** 

#### Free Roaming Cats in Hawai'i: What's the big deal and what can we do?

Leia Galvez, Ailene Kim, Kailana Kuamoo, Kendall Nekota, Taylor Nekota, Eleanor Park, Paige Peterson, Megan Tyson

Troop 129

#### **Hickam Buddy Bench**

Emily Barry, Blair Bursleson, Lillian Caro, Lily Earley, Maddie Hemelstrand, Reagan Pigg, Alya Sattro

**Troop 148** 

Helping the Hawaii Humane Society

Riyah Adams, Malia Brady, Katharina Davis, Genevieve Magera, Lily Mitchell, Brianah Schecht

Troop 185 **Beach Clean-up**Kacie Ngai, Ellie Wong

#### **Troop 185**

#### Hawaii Children Ćancer Foundation Anya Kinoshita, Taylor Tanimoto, Sara Yee

Troop 185

**Project Dana: Kupuna Oral History Reports & Holiday Cards**Laney Okino, Jamelyn Tomori, Alexis Sambueno

Troop 185 Oahu SPCA

Megan Leung, Taylor Uchino

Troop 230 & Troop 249

**Arts and Crafts Kits** 

Emma Cambe, Ava Eliazar, Cami Lizada, Zoe Redira, Katriel Valera, Isabelle Michelson, Anela-Rose Worachit-Connell

Troop 287

**Turtle Anti-Plastic Colocasion** 

Devyn Ames, Krystana Cadorna, Zelda Rittenhouse

**Troop 348** 

**Coral Reef Restoration** 

Fiona Birkmire, Raphaela Dresslar, Azelyn Patterson, Briella Rose Timas

**Troop 612** 

**Bronze Award Project** 

Aurora Arcos, Adrianna Cully, Neveah Miller, Bianca Stronczek

**Troop 672** 

**Beach Toy Collection** 

Lillian Adams, Elora Bambach, Iris Bowman, Natalie Dalton, Kennedy Davis, Alexis Dutcher, Marielle Emenheiser, Kayla Parrish, Evelyn Wojnar

**Troop 706** 

#### Animal Action

Sophia Baker, Annabelle DelRosario, Aubrey Haagensen, Charlie Haagensen, Charlotte Haith, Zoey Huddleston, Kaitlin Hughes, Charlotte Jones, Hayden Lyons, Maya Mendiola, Lyla Rupp, Abigail Weiland

**Troop 835** 

St John Vianney Giving Tree 2020

Maia Cleven, Amaya Hayase, Johanna Sanchez

Troop 1075

**Blankets for Sick Animals** 

Flora Bryan, Aliana Dolan, Anaiyah Fujimoto

Troop 4302

Little Free Library

Rebecca Dingus

# Steps to the Silver Award

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest award Girl Scout Cadettes in grades 6-8 can earn. This is her chance to show her organization, determination, and dedication to improving her community.

The Girl Scout Silver Award represents a girl's accomplishments in Girl Scouting and her community as she grows and works to improve her life and the lives of others. As a girl earns her Silver Award, she builds skills, explores careers, gains leadership skills and makes a commitment to self-improvement.

A girl who earns her Girl Scout Silver Award has demonstrated her willingness to take on significant responsibilities. Her efforts express a special commitment to herself, her community, her world and her future.

## Silver Award Girl Scouts

Supplies and Support for Shelter Animals
Nanea Abreu, Sadie Stiglmeier

Troop 66
Silver Award Project
Aryanna Runyan

Troop 70

Mental Health Awareness Day

Asia Adams

Troop 203

Mental Health Talks: Taking Breaks
Alyssa DeMello

Troop 215 **The Vent Box**Luna Cox, Mallory Lyons, Sophia Meinert,

Madeline Finch Przybylski, Journey Stewert, Elena Zacarias

# Troop 286 **Helping the Homeless with their Pets**Lily Ames, Emerson Sisco, Brielle Sumida

Troop 349 **How to Make It On Your Own**Makaela Cooper

Troop 349
Silver Award Project
Rivkah O'Neal

**Troop 441** 

Help Our Oceans Informational Ocean Conservation Video Addyson Binning

Troop 591 **Preschool Garden**Peyton Richards

Troop 672

Books for Books

Kaia Crowley, Marielle Emenheiser, Jacqueline Griffith,
Isabella Leija, Kayla Parrish

Troop 700 **Camp Paumalū Video** Kealalawai Diaz, Kaiana Souza

Troop 769 **Foster Kits at Oahu SPCA** Natalia Kup

> Forget me Knott Chloe Waipa

Troop 829 **Homemade Dog and Cat Toys**Francesca Calef, Noah McCann

Troop 835 **Ronald McDonald House Charities Hawaii** Kayana Tanaka, Leila Cleven, Addison Nash, Maybelle Gabriel

Improving Awareness of Animals Needs
Elodie Charron

Silver Award Project Rhea Kawakami, Kylie Pak

# Troop 997 **Keep Calm and Thank a Nurse**Ally Nguyen, Iwalani Rasor

Global Warming Awareness to Brownies
Sydney Iida

Troop 1069
Invasive Species Awareness
Angeline Dimaya, Maddelena Orrick, Lexie Segawa

Troop 2026

Honey Bees on Oahu, Hawaii

Elizabeth Parrish

Troop 2026

No Pets Left Behind

Danicka Guzman

Troop 2026 Silver Award Project Laken Emenheiser

Juliette **Little Free Library** Aislyn Schreiner





Gold Award Girl Scout Devyn Young "Aiea AYSO Keiki Clinic"

# Steps to the Gold Award

To earn the Gold Award, a Girl Scout identifies an issue in their community, drafts a plan to address a root cause, and leads a team of volunteers to implement it. When the project is complete, the Gold Award Girl Scout and their team have made a sustainable impact on the world that continues to last beyond their involvement.



It's a huge accomplishment that also impacts the Gold Award Girl Scout as a person. How they see the world—and how the world sees them—is forever changed. It's also a credential that will be with them for the rest of their life; having the Girl Scout Gold Award on a high school transcript or resumé can make a Girl Scout stand out when it comes to college admissions, scholarship applications, internships, and job interviews.

Fulfilling the requirements for the Girl Scouts Gold Award starts with the completion of the two Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journeys, or having earned the Gold Scout Silver Award and completing one Senior or Ambassador Journey.

After the Journey requirements have been fulfilled, girls spend a minimum of 80 hours of work and service towards their Gold Award projects, which includes these steps:

- Identifying an issue
- Investigating it thoroughly
- Inviting others to participate and building a team
- Creating a plan
- Presenting the plan to the Gold Award Committee
- Gathering feedback
- Taking action
- Educating and inspiring others



# Jaynie Fu

Daughter of Derrick Fu & Jana Lynn Fu

Attending University of Notre Dame

#### "YOU and Your Mental Health"

My project aimed to provide students at Kaimuki Middle School with accessible knowledge about what mental health is and how to improve, maintain, and understand it. I created different brochures covering topics like tips for dealing with stress, resources available to them, and so much more. I created a new curriculum that can be taught during advisory that focuses on mental wellness. My hope is that my project will give young students the knowledge they need to take care of their mental health.

#### Acknowledgements

Troop 056 Lead by Jana Lynn Fu Project Advised by Reimy Kuroda

#### Kaimuki Middle School

- Frank Fernandes, Principal
- Craig Yamada, Counselor
- · Cheryl Nishiki, Counselor
- · Reimy Kuroda, Advisory Coodinator



# Anya Hubbard

Daughter of Dulce Belen & Michael Hubbard

Attending University of Missouri

#### "Teen Mental Health"

Mental health is a sensitive thing and a sensitive topic, as it affects a person and has a variety of contributors, one of the main factors being home life. Parents often don't see the red flags in their children's declining mental health and they may not even know what to look for. Even then, they may not know how to respond to it in a way that helps the child and provides a safe space. In my PSA, I displayed signs of mental health red flags and appropriate and inappropriate responses to it.

#### Acknowledgements

Troop 333 Lead by Cynthia Juettner Project Advised by Maria Archaval

Ellen, Aly, Jada, and everyone else who contributed their time and effort.



# Sophia Kimura

Daughter of David Kimura & Tracy Kimura

Attending 'Iolani School

### "Unity School Living Wall"

I started and maintained a worm bin by myself at home during the pandemic and redirected over 200 lbs of food waste from going into landfill. I taught preschoolers at Unity School about vermicomposting, urban gardening and the cycle of sustainability. Through hands on experience the students learned about diverting waste from landfills, returning it to the earth as quality fertilizer to grow food for consumption, lessening our environmental footprint and helping to protect our island.

#### Acknowledgements

Troop 313 Lead by Denise Haga Project Advised by Sergio Galisa

Denise Haga, Mindy Jaffe of Windward Zero Waste School Hui, Dustin Miranda of Turf and Shrub Care Hawaii.



## Kirra Leonard

Daughter of Aimee Leonard & Nicholas Leonard

Attending Kauai Community College

# "Drug Reduction & First Aid: Why It Matters"

My project was part of a coordinated effort with the County of Kauai to implement drug prevention education as well as provide basic first aid information to the keiki on the island of Kauai. I organized two day camps, which employed informative speakers and engaging activities and games to young Girl Scouts. My goal was to instill the idea that there are better ways to deal with the ups and downs of life instead of turning to substance abuse.

#### Acknowledgements

Troop 775 Lead by Angela Hoover Project Advised by Mary Grace Balgalso

Huge Mahalo to my Troop (775): Angela Hoover, Kaila Doepke, Laulea Miike, and Parker Reed. I could not have done it without you! Also, thank you to Kate Plyler, who is a registered nurse and helped me plan my camps as well as took the time to visit one of my camps to speak about important first aid topics. Your help was greatly appreciated. Lastly, thank you to my mom and my best friend JD, who were great companions when doing research. Without your company I am not sure what I would have done with myself.



# Kai Teranishi-Guay

Daughter of Lori Teranishi & Christopher Guay

Attending University of California, Santa Barbara

### "Healthy Teens Hawaii"

Healthy Teens Hawaii is an initiative to educate and inspire local teenagers to pursue a healthy lifestyle through a balanced diet. My project was primarily online due to Covid-19, which helped me to reach a larger audience beyond teenagers in Hawaii. I designed a website with original recipes and blog posts about healthy eating. I also partnered with Blue Zones Project Hawaii to teach online cooking classes. I taught audiences of all backgrounds simple recipes that align with BZP's guidelines.

#### *Acknowledgements*

Troop 056 Lead by Jana Fu Project Advised by Naoko Page

Naoko Page (Gold Award project advisor), Mark "Gooch" Noguchi and Trislyn Ferris (Punahou), Jocelyn Sato, Crystal Germano, Cyrus Howe (Blue Zones Project Hawaii).



# Devyn Young

Daughter of Dean Young & Terilyn Young

Attending 'Iolani School

#### "Aiea AYSO Keiki Clinic"

Aiea AYSO Keiki Clinic was held Saturday mornings (8/20-9/10) at Kaonohi Park. It's a program that allows Moanalua High School soccer players to become leaders and give back to their community by volunteer coaching for the AYSO region. It's designed to get 4-6 year olds active, introduce them to soccer at a fun, basic level, teach them skills (independence, friendship, etc.), and give them role models. In addition, AYSO's issues with a lack of coaches and long gaps between seasons were solved.

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# Guest Speaker



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# Lauren Nahme Vice President of Strategy & Transformation, Kamehameha Schools

Lauren Nahme is the Vice President for Strategy & Transformation at Kamehameha Schools. Her primary kuleana is to ensure the successful implementation of KS' Strategic Plan 2020. The plan envisions KS and its community collaborators working together to have a greater collective impact with and for Native Hawaiian learners.

She and her team are charged to provide both long-range vision-casting support for executives and trustees while also providing alignment and implementation support for short and midterm progress across the enterprise. Demonstrating and encouraging innovation, entrepreneurial mindsets, and cross-functional collaboration are also a significant part of her team's role in the transformation efforts of the organization.

Since January of 2010, Nahme has served Kamehameha as director of Strategic Planning and Implementation providing direct support to the chief executive officer on strategic planning efforts.

Nahme began her KS career in 2006, serving for four years as the organization's controller, responsible for financial and investment reporting, accounting operations, procurement and budget. Prior to joining Kamehameha, she was chief financial officer for the Hawaii State Federal Credit Union. Nahme holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and is a graduate from Pearl City High School.



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