

## ATTENTION: GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

### WHAT IS THE PAT MEYER GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUT OF DISTINCTION AWARD?

Pat Meyer Gold Award Girl Scout of Distinction will be awarded to Gold Award Girl Scouts whose final Take Action projects demonstrate extraordinary leadership, address a local challenge that relates to a national and/or global issue and has a measureable and sustainable impact. Girls must apply to be considered.

Those selected for the Pat Meyer Gold Award Girl Scout of Distinction receive a \$500 scholarship, a lifetime Girl Scout membership, and a commemorative plaque.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Any Spirit of Nebraska Girl Scout who has completed an approved Girl Scout Gold Award Take Action project between January 1 and December 31 of the previous year is encouraged to apply.

### HOW MANY YOUNG WOMEN WILL BE RECOGNIZED?

The number of Pat Meyer Gold Award Girl Scout of Distinction honorees will be determined by the number of Gold Award Girl Scouts for that year and the number of applicants who meet the criteria. Spirit of Nebraska will select and recognize a minimum of three Pat Meyer Gold Award Girl Scout of Distinction honorees each year.

### HOW WILL THE PAT MEYER GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUT OF DISTINCTION BE RECOGNIZED?

Each honoree will receive the Pat Meyer Gold Award Girl Scout of Distinction scholarship, a lifetime membership, and a commemorative plaque. In addition, the honorees will be recognized in GSSN publications and at Girl Scout events. Honorees may be invited to speak at functions or to other girls about their project and experiences. Girls will be recognized at the Spirit of Nebraska Annual Meeting. **Honorees are required to be present at the Annual Meeting, either in person or virtually.**

### WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

If the application has not been already sent to you upon your final project approval, call 402.558.8189 or email [MemberSupport@girlscoutsnebraska.org](mailto:MemberSupport@girlscoutsnebraska.org).

All application questions must be answered completely. Every application must include a written reference from a project advisor or another adult who helped mentor the applicant during her Gold Award Take Action process and can attest to its sustainability. Relatives are NOT a valid reference.

Please email completed applications to: [llwilliamson@girlscoutsnebraska.org](mailto:llwilliamson@girlscoutsnebraska.org).

### WHEN IS THE APPLICATION DUE?

The application must be received by February 24.

### HOW IS THE DECISION MADE AND WHO DECIDES?

After reviewing the applications, the Gold Award Coordinator, the Spirit of Nebraska Chief Operating Officer, Gold Award Committee members, and the Pat Meyer family select a minimum of three applicants.

### WHEN WILL THE DECISION BE MADE?

The final decision will be made in March of each year. All final candidates will be notified regarding the decision by mid-March.