



GoGold Platform  
Girl Scout View Walkthrough  
Highest Awards 2023 (Updated)



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# Setting Up Your Account



## Your Guide to Going Gold

### How to Become a Gold Award Girl Scout

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the mark of the truly remarkable. Through pursuing the Gold Award, Girl Scouts change the world by tackling issues they are passionate about to drive lasting change in their communities and beyond while they learn essential skills that will prepare them for all aspects of life. As a bonus, the Gold Award opens doors to a variety of scholarships, preferred admission tracks for college, strong networking and amazing career opportunities, and much more.

This guide offers a comprehensive overview of everything from planning to proposals and teamwork to time logs. So, whether you've been dreaming of your Gold Award since you were a Daisy or you're a new member in high school looking to make a difference, this guide is for you. Let's get going and let's Go Gold!

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### Before You Begin

Download a copy of [Your Guide to Going Gold](#)

1. **Welcome to GoGold!**  
Log on to [www.gogold.girlscouts.org](http://www.gogold.girlscouts.org)
2. **Click on “Create an Account”**



**Please Note:** You will be creating a Girl Scout account.

Please contact your council lead if you are looking to create an admin or reader account. They will be able to create a profile for you.

### Admin POV

COUNCIL > TEST COUNCIL

COUNCIL	test Council
STATE	NEW YORK
EMAIL	
PHONE NUMBER	

[Edit](#)

**COUNCIL USERS** REGISTERED GIRLS

[CREATE NEW USER](#) [Delete](#)


NAME	EMAIL	ROLE	RECEIVE SUBMISSION NOTIFICATIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> [Name]		admin	
<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Staff...			

3. **Select your prerequisites**

**Gold Award Girl Scout**  
**gogold**


## Get Started

Let's find out where you are in your Gold Award process. Have you completed...




One Senior/Ambassador Journey and Silver Award

**Get Started**



Two Senior/Ambassador Journeys

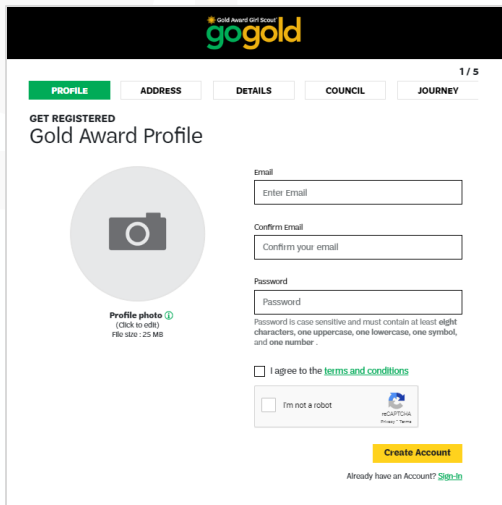
**Get Started**



Learn More About Gold Award Prerequisites

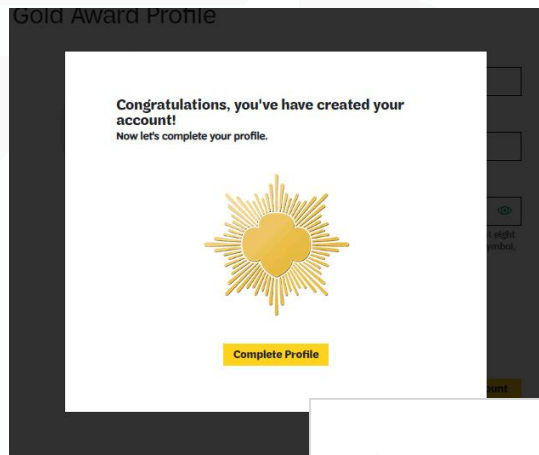
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## 4. Sign up for an account

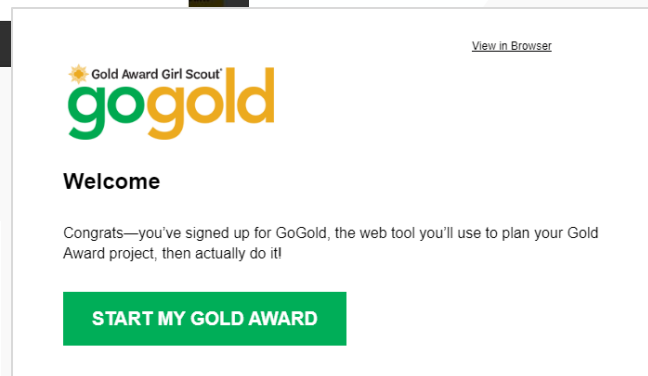


The screenshot shows the registration page for a Gold Award Profile. At the top, the GoGold logo is displayed. Below it, there are tabs for PROFILE, ADDRESS, DETAILS, COUNCIL, and JOURNEY. The current step is 'GET REGISTERED Gold Award Profile'. A profile photo upload area is on the left, showing a camera icon and a note that the photo should be 25 MB. To the right, there are input fields for Email, Confirm Email, and Password. A note specifies that passwords must be case sensitive and contain at least eight characters, including one uppercase, one lowercase, one symbol, and one number. There are checkboxes for 'I agree to the terms and conditions' and 'I'm not a robot' (with a reCAPTCHA logo). A yellow 'Create Account' button is at the bottom right, and a link for 'Already have an Account? Sign In' is below it.

You can update your password at any time. Passwords are case sensitive and must contain at least eight characters, one uppercase, one lowercase, one symbol, and one number.



**Tip:** You'll know your account has been created when you see a “Congratulations” pop-up and receive a Welcome email.



## 5. Fill out your profile

Answer Tabs 2-5 and select the yellow “Complete Profile” button at the end of Tab 5

The screenshot shows the 'Name and Address' tab of the registration process. The navigation bar at the top includes 'PROFILE', 'ADDRESS', 'DETAILS', 'COUNCIL', and 'JOURNEY', with 'PROFILE' highlighted. The page title is 'GET REGISTERED Name and Address'. The form contains fields for First Name, Last Name, Country (set to United States), Street Address 1, Street Address 2 (optional), City, State, and Zip. A yellow 'Next' button is at the bottom right, and a grey 'Back' button is at the bottom left.

The screenshot shows the 'Info' tab. The navigation bar highlights 'DETAILS'. The page title is 'GET REGISTERED Info'. The form includes fields for Phone, Date of Birth (with a calendar icon), High School, Current Grade, and Graduation Date (with a calendar icon). A note states: 'You must be at least 10 years old to register for a GoGold account.' A yellow 'Next' button is at the bottom right, and a grey 'Back' button is at the bottom left.

The screenshot shows the 'Council Information' tab. The navigation bar highlights 'COUNCIL'. The page title is 'GET REGISTERED Council Information'. The form includes a dropdown for Council Name, a field for Troop Leader/Volunteer Information (Troop/Independently Registered Member Number), and fields for Name, Email, and Phone of the Troop Leader/Volunteer. A yellow 'Next' button is at the bottom right, and a grey 'Back' button is at the bottom left.

The screenshot shows the 'Confirm your prerequisites' tab. The navigation bar highlights 'JOURNEY'. The page title is 'GET REGISTERED Confirm your prerequisites'. It lists prerequisites: 'You Get Started Journeys' and 'Senior/Ambassador Journey'. Each has a dropdown menu for 'Journey Name' and a 'Completion Date' field with a calendar icon. A yellow 'Complete Profile' button is at the bottom right, and a grey 'Back' button is at the bottom left.



6. **Registration Complete**



The screenshot shows a web interface for the GoGold platform. At the top, there is a black navigation bar with a white hamburger menu icon on the left and the 'gogold' logo in the center. The logo consists of the word 'gogold' in a lowercase, sans-serif font, with 'go' in green and 'gold' in yellow. Above the 'o' in 'gold' is a small yellow star icon. Below the navigation bar, the main content area is white. It features a large, bold heading: 'Congratulations! You have Successfully Updated Your Profile'. Below this heading is a smaller line of text: 'Now, head to the dashboard and get started on your Gold Award project.' In the center of the page is a large, stylized yellow sunburst icon with a four-lobed clover-like center. At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: 'View Dashboard' on the left and 'Continue to Step 1' on the right. The 'Continue to Step 1' button is highlighted with a yellow background.

*Please Note:* Your account is now visible on the admin end from the moment you begin registration.

# Dashboard + Menu

## Brainstorming & Proposal

The screenshot shows the 'My Dashboard' for the Gold Award Progress. It is divided into three main sections: 'Discover', 'Connect', and 'Take Action'. Each section contains several steps with progress indicators. A green arrow points from the '5. Present Your Plan' step in the 'Connect' section to the legend on the right.

**My Dashboard**  
Gold Award Progress  
Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!

**Discover**  
Home in on a community issue.  
*These steps are optional.*

- 1. Choose an Issue (Open Circle)
- 2. Investigate (Open Circle)

**Connect**  
Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact.  
*These steps are required and will result in your proposal.*

- 3. Get Help (Open Circle)
- 4. Create a Plan (Open Circle)
- 5. Present Your Plan (Open Circle)

**Take Action**  
Make the world a better place.  
*These steps are required and will result in your final report.*

- 6. Take Action (Open Circle)
- 7. Educate and Inspire (Open Circle)
- Gold Award Benefits (Open Circle)

*"The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are its makers."  
- Juliette Gordon Low*

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## Final Report

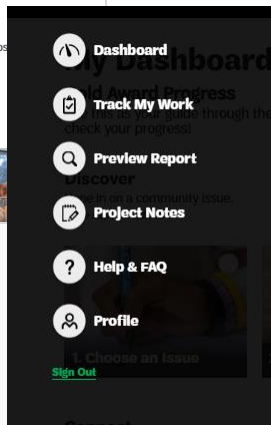
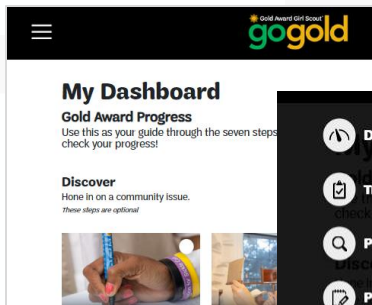
## Welcome to your Dashboard

Step 1 & 2 (Optional): Brainstorm & Mind Mapping  
Steps 3-5: Project Proposal  
Steps 6 & 7: Final Report  
Step 8: Gold Award Benefits

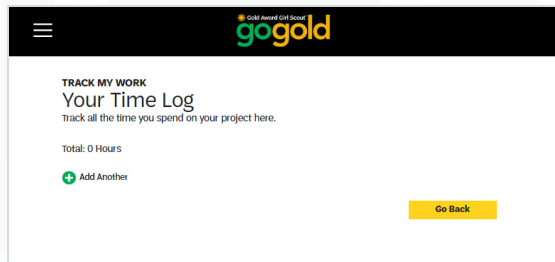
- Open Circle:** Has not started section
- Incomplete Circle:** Section is in progress
- Checkmark:** Section complete
- Eye:** View only section is unavailable until previous section is complete

## Menu

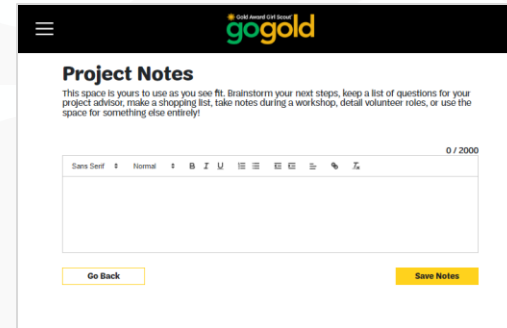
Click on the hamburger menu (the three horizontal lines on the top left of GoGold)



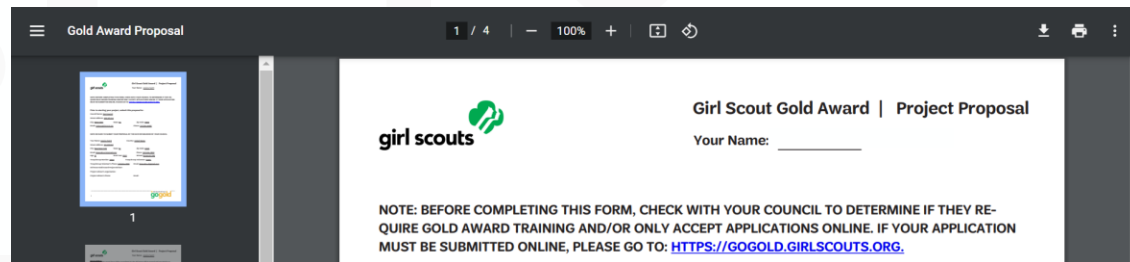
## Track My Work



## Project Notes



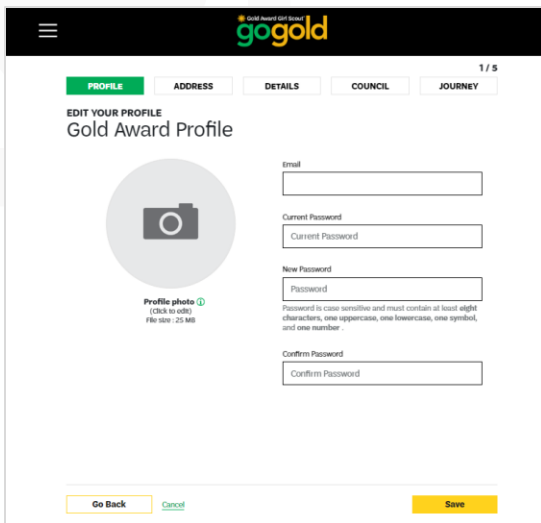
## Preview Report



**Please Note:** Report autofills as you complete required Steps 3-5. No need to edit onto the document directly.

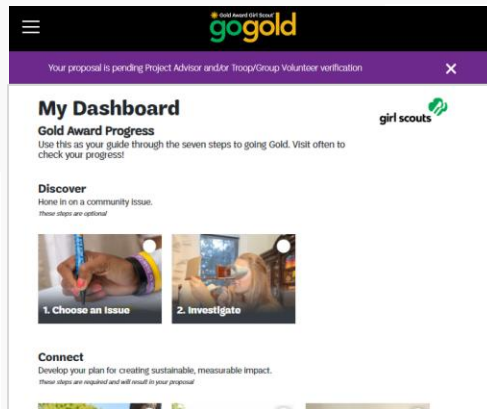
**Tip:** You are able to download a copy of your report here.

## Profile

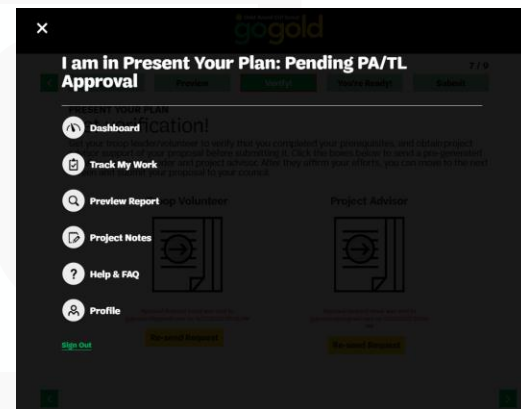


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## Status Bar



The screenshot shows the 'My Dashboard' page in the GoGold platform. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there is a purple banner with the text 'Your proposal is pending Project Advisor and/or Troop/Group Volunteer verification' and a close icon. The main heading is 'My Dashboard Gold Award Progress'. Below the heading, there is a sub-heading 'Gold Award Progress' and a paragraph 'Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!'. There is a 'Discover' section with the text 'Home in on a community issue. These steps are optional.' and two images: '1. Choose an Issue' and '2. Investigate'. At the bottom, there is a 'Connect' section with the text 'Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact. These steps are required and will result in your proposal'.



The screenshot shows the 'Approval' page in the GoGold platform. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there is a purple banner with the text 'I am in Present Your Plan: Pending PA/TL Approval'. The main heading is 'I am in Present Your Plan: Pending PA/TL Approval'. Below the heading, there is a sub-heading 'Present Your Plan' and a paragraph 'Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!'. There is a 'Dashboard' section with the text 'Home in on a community issue. These steps are optional.' and two images: '1. Choose an Issue' and '2. Investigate'. At the bottom, there is a 'Connect' section with the text 'Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact. These steps are required and will result in your proposal'.

Your status will appear on as a purple banner on the top of your dashboard. It will also appear when you click on the hamburger menu (the three horizontal lines on the top left of GoGold)

**Status Bar**

Step	Status	Message
5	Pending PA/TL Approval	Your proposal is pending Project Advisor and/or Troop/Group Volunteer verification
5	PA Approved	Your proposal has been verified by your Project Advisor & Troop/Group Volunteer. Complete Step 5 now by submitting your proposal to your council.
5	Pending Council Approval	Your proposal is pending council approval.
5	Needs Improvement	Your proposal needs improvement. Please review feedback, make updates and re-submit!
5	Approved	Your proposal is approved! You may start steps 6 & 7.

Step	Status	Message
7	Pending PA/TL Approval	Your final report is pending project advisor approval.
7	PA Approved	Your project advisor verified your final report. Complete step 7 now by submitting your final report to your council.
7	Pending Council Approval	Your final report is pending council approval.
7	Needs Improvement	Your final report needs improvement. Please review feedback, make updates and re-submit!
7	Approved	Congratulations, your final report was approved. You're now a Gold Award Girl Scout!

## Help &amp; FAQ



## GoGold: FAQs for Girl Scouts

### How do I locate my Girl Scout council?

When you create a GoGold profile, you'll need to select your council. It's important to select the correct one because that is where your proposal and final report will be sent. If you're not sure what your council is, you can look it up by your zip code using the [Girl Scout Council Finder Tool](#).

### When should I contact my council?

You'll want to check in with your council before beginning your Gold Award proposal (steps 3-5). Your council will be an invaluable resource for you as you plan and carry out your project. They may also have specific guidelines that you should follow for things like choosing a project advisor and raising money.

You can visit your council's Gold Award page for more information. Once you are in GoGold, you can access their Gold Award page by clicking on the council logo in the upper right corner of your dashboard.

### What Internet browser should I use to access GoGold?

Please use the latest version of [Chrome](#), [Edge](#), [Firefox](#), or [Safari](#) for the smoothest experience.

### How do I update my profile or council information?

If you need to update any of your profile information (for example, if you need to correct your council), you can click on the hamburger menu – or the three horizontal lines in the upper left corner of your GoGold page. From there, you can select “profile” to edit your information. Just be sure to hit the yellow “save” button when you're done.

### What do the symbols on my dashboard mean?

You can access your dashboard anytime by clicking on the GoGold logo at the top of the page, or through the hamburger menu. As you complete steps, you will notice three different symbols on your dashboard:

- The full circle—step is available, but not yet started.
- The check mark—step is complete.
- The circle outline—step is in progress, but that not yet complete.
- The eye—step is view-only, and you are not currently able to edit it. In the example below, you would not be able to edit steps six and seven until step five is complete and your proposal has been approved by your council.

### How can I be sure that I've completed a step?

When you reach the final tab in a step, be sure to hit the yellow “I'm Finished” or “Send to Council”



able to edit your proposal or view your proposal until completion. Your proposal is not approved by your council.

### How can I be sure that I've completed a step?

When you reach the final tab in a step, be sure to hit the yellow “I'm Finished” or “Send to Council” button. If that button is gray, that means you are missing information in one or more of your tabs, which will be indicated in red text on those tabs.

*(Pro tip: some of the most common tabs where this happens are the “theme” tab and the “expenses” tab in step four. If the “theme” tab tells you that you have reached the maximum number of selections, you'll need to unselect a theme.)*

### I entered the wrong email address for my project advisor/troop leader. How can I fix it?

In your profile, you'll enter contact information for your troop leader and in step three, you'll enter contact information for your project advisor. In step five, you'll send them verification emails by clicking a button. If you realize that you've entered the wrong email after pressing send, don't worry!

- You can edit your troop leader's email by returning to your profile's “council” tab, entering the correct info and clicking “save”.
- To edit your project advisor's info, return to step three (“get help”) and click on the “team” tab. You'll then want to click the green pencil icon next to the name you would like to edit.

Once you edit the entry, be sure to hit “save”, then “finished”.

You'll then need to re-send the verification email to the correct address in the “verify” tab of step five. Just hit the yellow “re-send request” button under the correct team member.

### How can I make changes to my proposal after I submitted it?

Once you submit your proposal to your council, steps three through five will be view-only. You will not be able to make changes as your council reviews your proposal, or after they approve it. If you decide you would like to make changes to it, please contact your council to let them know. They will need to set your proposal status to “needs improvement”. This will allow you to edit steps three through five.

\*After your proposal is approved, Step 3: Build Your Team will reset to “complete”. That way, if your team changes during implementation, you can make the relevant updates and submit a current team list with your final report (Step 7).

### How can I begin troubleshooting autosaving issues I am experiencing?

Autosaving issues are usually tied to the Internet browser. Here are three initial steps that you can take to resolve your issue.

- Make sure that you are using the latest version of [Chrome](#), [Edge](#), [Firefox](#), or [Safari](#) to access GoGold.
- Clear your browser's history, cache, and cookies for all time (you can find out more about that at the end of this document).
- Refresh GoGold in your Internet browser.

If those three steps don't work, we recommend that you try using a different browser (for example, you can try using Edge instead of Chrome), and then a different computer or mobile device, to see if you're still experiencing the same issue.

### How can I receive technical support?

Please contact the GoGold team at [GoGoldOnline@GirlScouts.org](mailto:GoGoldOnline@GirlScouts.org). We recommend copying your council Gold Award contact to keep them informed, especially for time-sensitive issues.

### How do I clear my history, cache, and cookies for all time?

Clearing your history, cache, and cookies resets your browser's stored information. This is important to do so that your browser uses the correct settings for the new and improved GoGold. The process for clearing your history, cache, and cookies will differ slightly by internet browser. Here are instructions for each of our four recommended browsers.

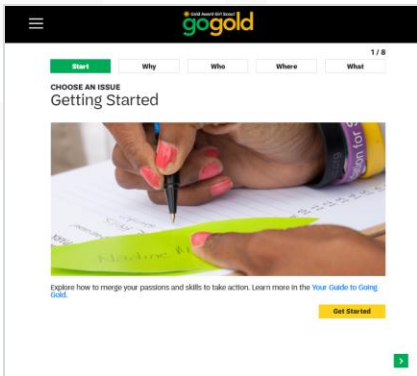


## Step 1: Choose an Issue (optional)



**Choose an Issue: Brainstorm**

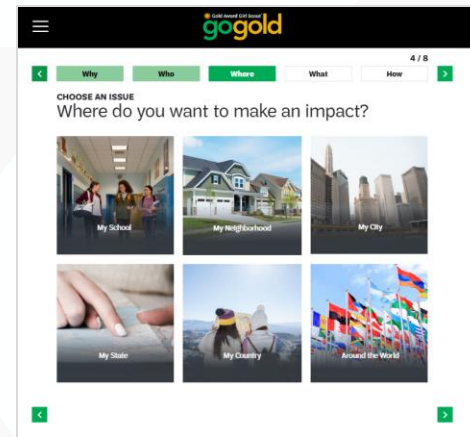
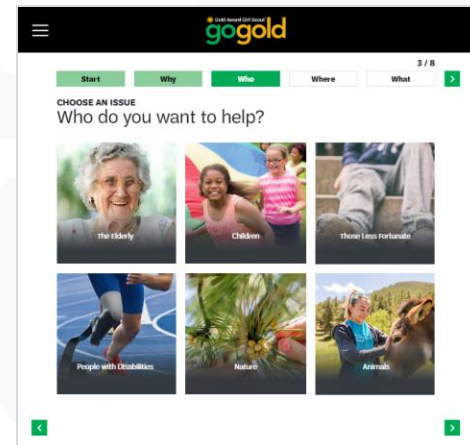
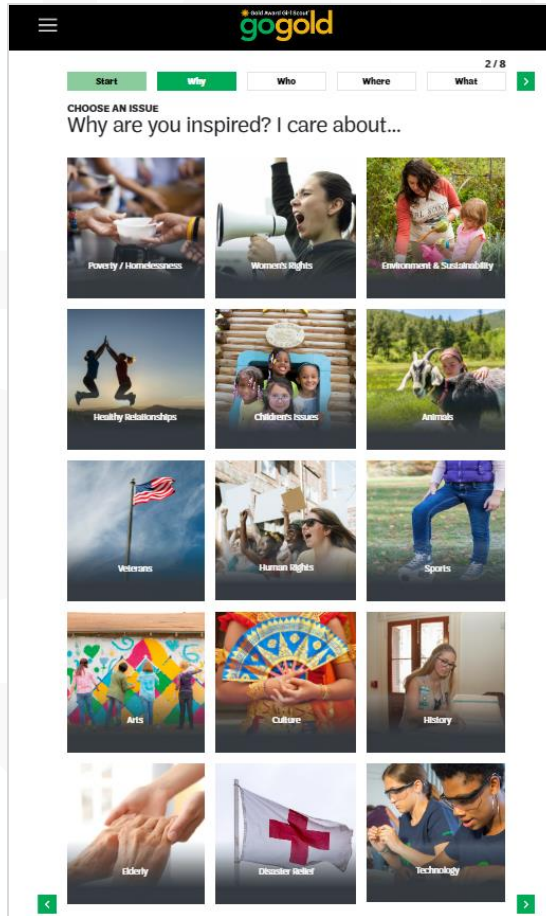
Step 1 will help you explore your interests and decide on an issue for your project



*Please Note:* This step is optional. Feel free to skip to Step 3.

**Tab 1:** Start  
**Tab 2:** Why  
**Tab 3:** Who  
**Tab 4:** Where

**Tab 5:** What  
**Tab 6:** How  
**Tab 7:** Issues  
**Tab 8:** Summary



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Who Where **What** How Issues

**CHOOSE AN ISSUE**  
What are your strengths and talents?

- Public Speaking
- Math
- Community Building
- Empathy
- Research
- People Skills

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Where What **How** Issues Summary

**CHOOSE AN ISSUE**  
How do you want to make a difference?

- Change a Law
- Lead Workshops
- Develop Curriculum
- Start a Club
- Social Activism
- Give Presentations
- Community Organizing
- Publish Materials
- Teach a Skill

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Where What How **Issues** Summary

**CHOOSE AN ISSUE**  
Do any of these interest you? Select all that apply.

Based on your answers, we have compiled a list of themes that may interest you.

Step 1 concludes with a summary of your options allowing you to narrow them down and make your connections and decisions.

*Tip:* Keep an eye for the “Add Another” and “Help” buttons throughout GoGold

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Where What How Issues Summary

### CHOOSE AN ISSUE Summary

You care about...

You want to help...

You want to make an impact with regard to...

Your strengths and talents are...

You want to make a difference by...

Issues you may want to tackle include...

What other issues do you care about?

+ Add Another

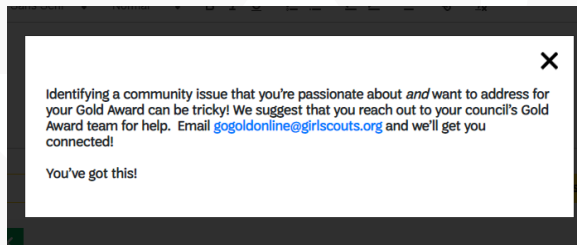
Which issues do you want to explore further? Why? 0 / 2000

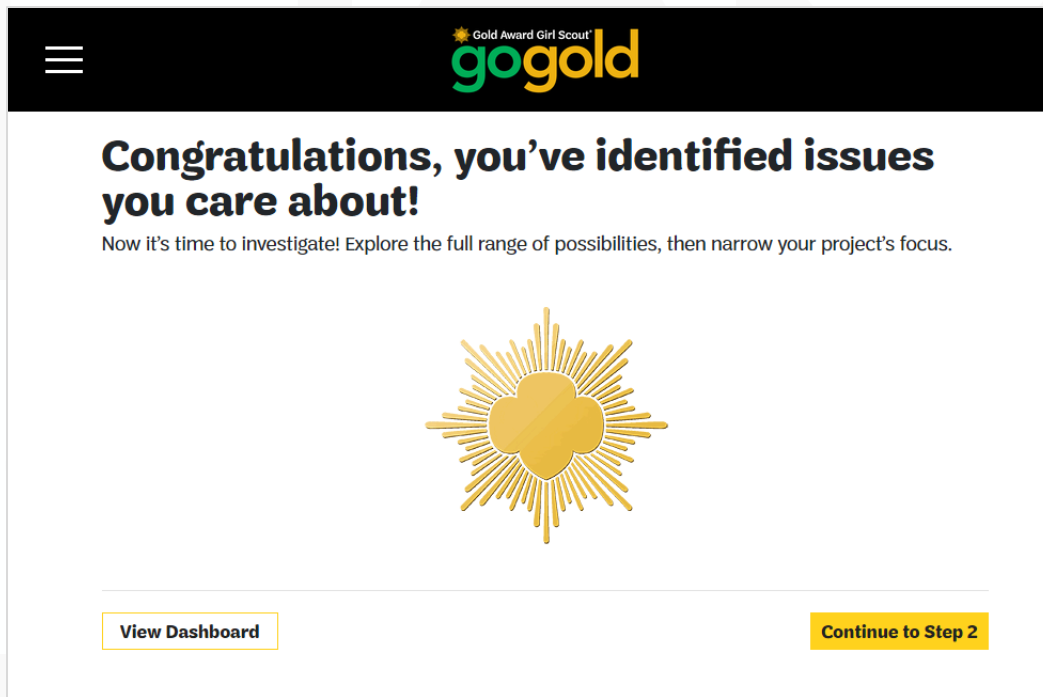
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Start Over [Help](#) I'm Finished

+ Add Another

[Help](#)





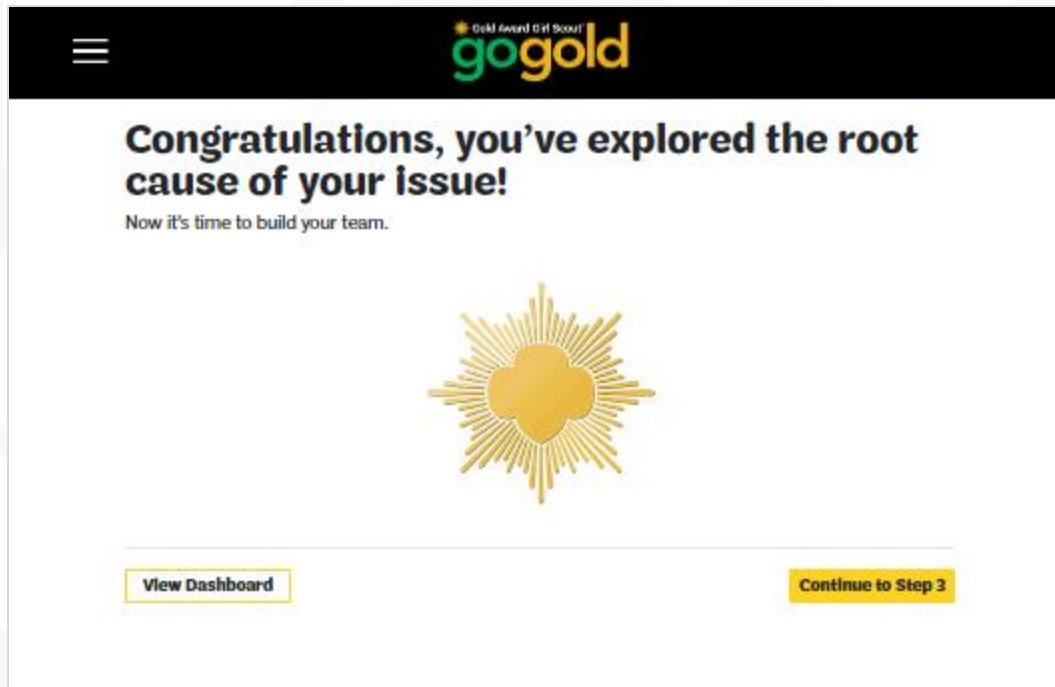
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**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete



## Step 2: Investigate (optional)





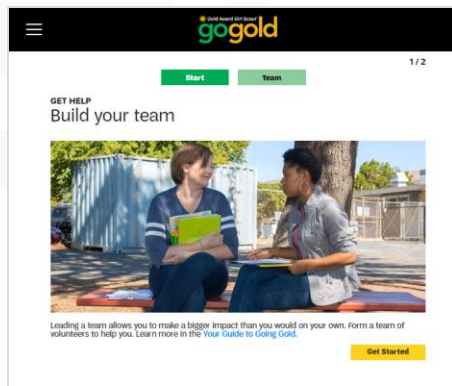
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## Step 3: Get Help



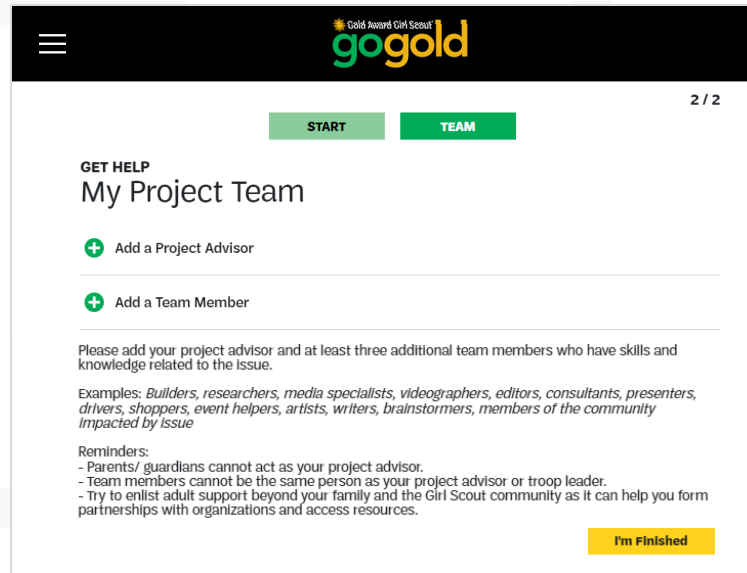
### Get Help: Build A Team

Step 3 is a required step. You will brainstorm and list members you will work with beginning with your project advisor.

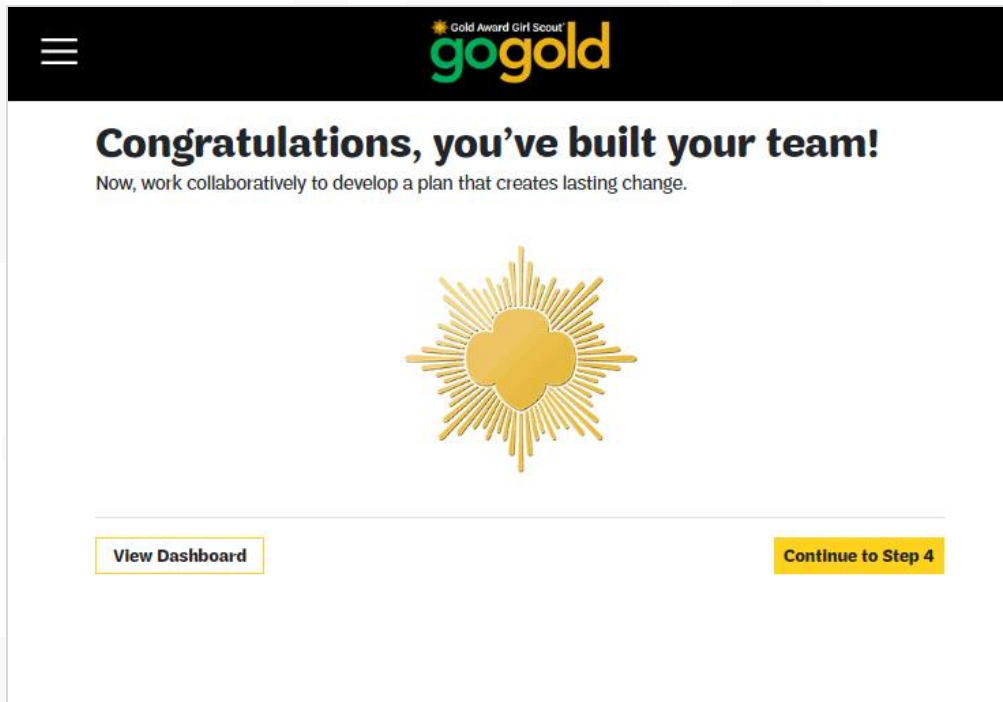


**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete

**Tab 1:** Start  
**Tab 2:** Team



**Please Note:** You can update your project advisor at any time. They cannot be a parent, guardian, or troop leader.



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## Step 4: Create a Plan

### Create a Plan: Proposal

Step 4 is the first step to your project proposal. Answer the questions in as much detail as possible.

**Tab 1:** Start

**Tab 2:** Files

**Tab 3:** Description

**Tab 4:** Theme

**Tab 5:** Issue

**Tab 6:** Root Cause

**Tab 7:** Target Audience

**Tab 8:** Global

**Tab 9:** Example

**Tab 10:** Your Turn!

**Tab 11:** Measurable

**Tab 12:** Example

**Tab 13:** Your Turn!

**Tab 14:** Sustain

**Tab 15:** Example

**Tab 16:** Your Turn!

**Tab 17:** Plan

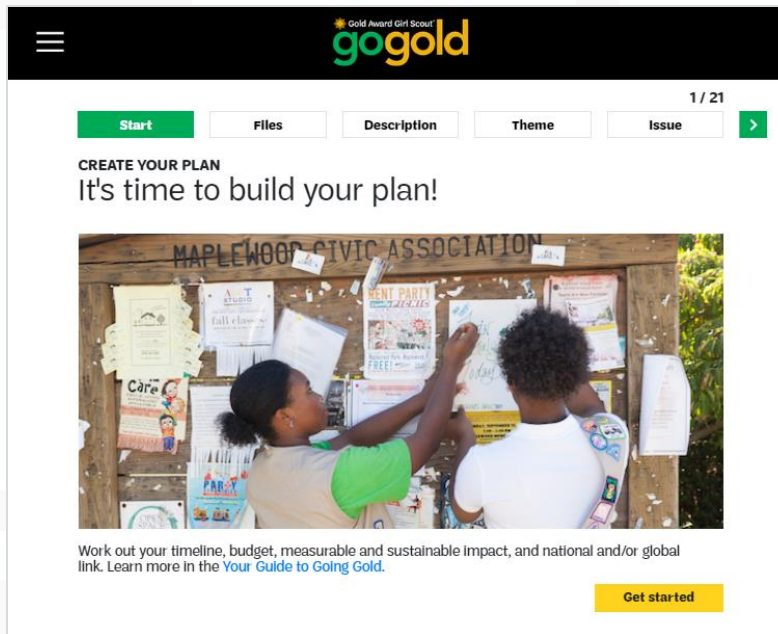
**Tab 18:** Expenses

**Tab 19:** Strengths

**Tab 20:** Talents

**Tab 21:** Tell the World

**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete



The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there are several tabs: "Start" (highlighted in green), "Files", "Description", "Theme", and "Issue". A progress indicator shows "1 / 21" and a green arrow button. The main content area is titled "CREATE YOUR PLAN" and "It's time to build your plan!". Below this, there is a photograph of two young girls looking at a bulletin board for the "MAPLEWOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION". The bulletin board is covered with various notices and posters, including one for a "BIRTH PARTY" and another for "Care". Below the photograph, there is a text prompt: "Work out your timeline, budget, measurable and sustainable impact, and national and/or global link. Learn more in the [Your Guide to Going Gold](#)." At the bottom right of the main content area, there is a yellow "Get started" button.

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Start Files Description Theme Issue

### CREATE YOUR PLAN

## Support Files

Your council may require additional files. If the button is yellow, your council has provided additional files, so please download them now, then complete and submit them in Step 5. If the button is gray, there are not additional files and you can proceed to the next page.

**Download Files**

**Please Note:** You are able to download council files at Step 4 Tab 2: Files. You will upload these files at Step 5 Tab 5: Upload.

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COUNCIL > EDIT COUNCIL

### EDIT COUNCIL

NAME: Test Council

STREET: 420 5th Ave

CITY: NEW YORK

STATE: NEW YORK

ZIP: 10018

EMAIL:

PHONE NUMBER: (212)852-8000

COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: 05/18/2022

GOLDAWARD URL (optional): <https://www.girlscouts.org/en/our-program/highest-awa>

COUNCIL FILE UPLOAD (optional):  
Uploaded: 2021 GSUSA Gold Award Scholarship Rubric (1).pdf  
**Delete File** **Download File**

ON HOLD DATE:  
 Default (90 days since last login)  
 Custom (number of days since last login date)  
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**Revoke Nomination**

**Save** Cancel

The screenshot shows the 'CREATE YOUR PLAN' section for 'Proposal Description'. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Start', 'Files', 'Description' (which is highlighted), 'Theme', and 'Issue'. A progress indicator shows '3 / 21'. Below the tabs, the heading 'CREATE YOUR PLAN Proposal Description' is followed by the instruction 'Share your Gold Award's title and estimated timeline.' There are three input fields: 'Gold Award Title' with a text box containing 'Gold Award Title', 'Proposed Start Date' with a date picker set to 'mm/dd/yyyy', and 'Proposed End Date' with a date picker set to 'mm/dd/yyyy'. Each date picker has a small GoGold logo icon.

The screenshot shows a grid of 21 proposal themes for the 'Proposal Description' step. The grid is organized into four rows. The first row has three items: 'Animals', 'Arts, Culture & Heritage', and 'Children's Issues'. The second row has three items: 'Civil Engagement', 'Disability Issues', and 'Disaster Relief'. The third row has three items: 'Education', 'Elderly Issues', and 'Environment & Sustainability'. The fourth row has three items: 'Entrepreneurship', 'Health', and 'Healthy Relationships'. The fifth row has three items: 'Human Rights', 'Life Skills', and 'Military/ Veterans Affairs'. The sixth row has three items: 'Outdoors', 'Poverty / Homelessness', and 'Public Safety'. The seventh row has two items: 'Sports' and 'STEM'. Each item is represented by a small image with a text label below it. The 'Description' tab is highlighted in green at the top of the page.

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Proposal Description**  
 Clearly describe your issue and share your reasons you selected your project.

My Gold Award aims to address this issue:

The reasons I selected my issue are:

+ Add Another

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Root Cause**  
 In Step 2, you identified your issue's root cause. Share it here along with how you plan to address it.

The root cause of my issue is:

I will address the root cause by:

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Target Audience**  
 Detail the impact your Gold Award will have and on what target audiences.

The target audience(s) for my Gold Award is/are:

+ Add Another

The skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes my target audience will gain are:

+ Add Another

I will know that my audience has gained the desired skills/knowledge because:

**What's a root cause?**  
 The Collins English Dictionary defines 'root cause' as the fundamental reason for the occurrence of a problem. In short: Root causes are an issue's activator—they identify why an issue is happening.

Often you'll have to look for the why in a lot of places in order to get to the root causes.

**Example – Rachel's Gold Award:** Rachel is passionate about ocean conservation. She asks why ocean pollution happens and lists several causes, including acid rain, soil runoff, and oil spills. She remembers witnessing the harmful impact of a major oil spill in her local ecosystem and decides to learn more about why oil spills happen. Rachel reaches out to experts and, after additional research, learns that a lack of safety protocols for oil storage is one of the root causes. She chooses to create a project that addresses how oil storage can be made safer to prevent spills.

Learn more in the [Your Guide to Going Gold](#).

**Example Target Audiences**  
 Your target audience may include one or more of the following groups:

- Adults
- Educators
- Elected officials
- Business owners
- Infants and toddlers
- Children of preschool age
- Children of elementary school age
- Children of middle school age
- Retired adults
- People with physical disabilities
- People with mental illness

Make sure to be specific: For instance, you might be reaching elementary school children in science classes, high school students in band, or parents of kids with mental illness.

**Stuck? Consider these possibilities, or identify your own!**  
 Your target audience might...

- Demonstrate a deeper understanding of the skill or issue
- Demonstrate a change in a choice, behavior, or habit
- Become an advocate for the issue/tell others about it
- Become a volunteer/get involved in an actionable way
- Teach others a new skill
- Earn a grade (in school settings only)
- Other

Remember: be specific! Will your audience complete a survey or pass a test to demonstrate a deeper understanding of a skill or issue? How are they helping others about the issue?

**Before you dive in, learn how your target audience likes to be addressed.**  
 This is especially important if you're seeking with or on behalf of people who are marginalized by society. Different groups—and different people within a given group—use different preferences when it comes to how they like to be talked and written about. For example:

- person who is deaf / deaf person (read more)
- Native American / American Indian / Native person / Indigenous person
- mixed race / biracial / multiracial
- genderqueer / nonbinary / gender fluid
- senior citizen / senior / older person / elder

Find out how the people you're representing prefer to be written/talked about. Identify by asking them directly, and accommodate their preferences to the best of your ability throughout every stage of your project.



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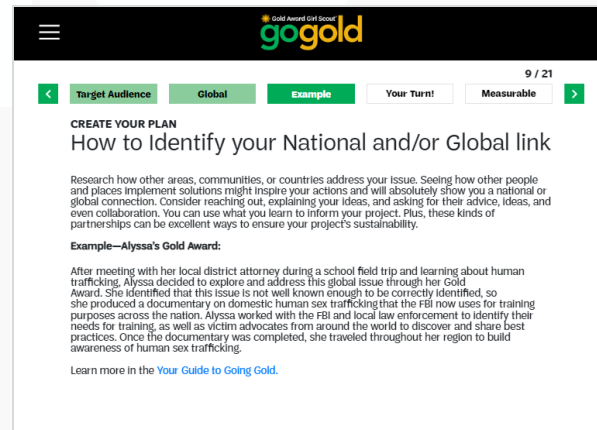
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Root Cause Target Audience **Global** Example Your Turn!

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
Defining National and/or Global link



Identifying a national and/or global link doesn't mean you need to travel or expand your project across the globe. It's likely that the issue you've been working towards addressing is relevant worldwide—it can be found in your own local, regional, or national community and across the globe, whether it's poverty, hunger, illiteracy, homelessness, or pollution.



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Target Audience Global **Example** Your Turn! Measurable

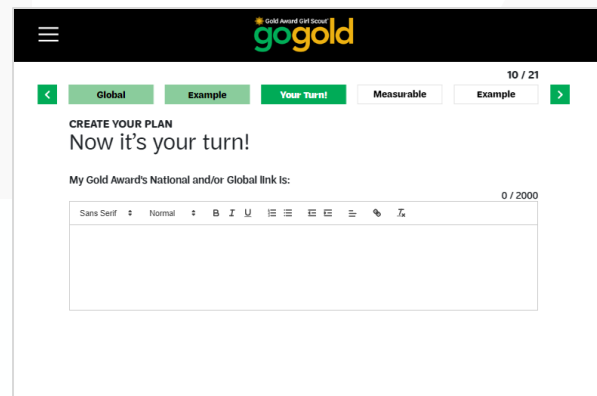
**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
How to Identify your National and/or Global link

Research how other areas, communities, or countries address your issue. Seeing how other people and places implement solutions might inspire your actions and will absolutely show you a national or global connection. Consider reaching out, explaining your ideas, and asking for their advice, ideas, and even collaboration. You can use what you learn to inform your project. Plus, these kinds of partnerships can be excellent ways to ensure your project's sustainability.

**Example—Alyssa's Gold Award:**

After meeting with her local district attorney during a school field trip and learning about human trafficking, Alyssa decided to explore and address this global issue through her Gold Award. She identified that this issue is not well known enough to be correctly identified, so she produced a documentary on domestic human sex trafficking that the FBI now uses for training purposes across the nation. Alyssa worked with the FBI and local law enforcement to identify their needs for training, as well as victim advocates from around the world to discover and share best practices. Once the documentary was completed, she traveled throughout her region to build awareness of human sex trafficking.

Learn more in the [Your Guide to Going Gold](#).




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Global Example **Your Turn!** Measurable Example

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
Now it's your turn!

My Gold Awards National and/or Global link is:

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Example Your Turn! **Measurable** Example Your Turn!

## CREATE YOUR PLAN

### Define Your Measurable Goals



Your Impact is measurable when you collect information or data throughout your project and use it to show that your actions have had a positive effect on the community and/or contributed to addressing your issue. So, think about what you can count in your project. How much? How many?

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Your Turn! **Measurable** Example Your Turn! Sustain

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### How to Set Measurable Goals:

Think about what you can count! In order to measure the effectiveness of your project, this means that you will need to set a goal or two! That way, when you measure your results, you'll know how effective your project was overall. Goals can feel intimidating, but remember, you're setting them for yourself—and they are adaptable.

**Example—Alyssa's Gold Award:**

The target audience(s) for my Gold Award is/are: *FBI, high school students and adults.*

The skills, knowledge and/or attitudes my target audience will gain are: *ability to identify human trafficking warning signs and the ability to advocate on behalf of potential victims.*

I will know my target audience has gained the desired skills or knowledge because: *they can identify human trafficking warning signs and know how to help.*

**Measuring My Gold Award Project's Success**

Determine how you'll measure your project's success by identifying what your target audience(s) will learn/gain, and then how and when you'll measure that impact.

Now set goals that will help frame your project's impact—they are a great foundation for helping you measure your project's success. Once you get started, you may realize you need to make adjustments—that's ok, it's all part of the process. Your goals should be detailed, relevant... and also include a target date of completion.

**My Gold Award Project Goals Are:**

What my audience will learn/gain	How I will measure impact	When I will measure impact
Knowledge of warning signs	Survey	After watching documentary or presentations
Know how to advocate on behalf of victims	Successful role play	During Presentations

Now set goals that will help frame your project's impact—they are a great foundation for helping you measure your project's success. Once you get started, you may realize you need to make adjustments—that's ok, it's all part of the process. Your goals should be detailed, relevant... and also include a target date of completion. **My Gold Award Project Goals Are:**

*I will reach over 100 FBI agents, high school students, and adults through my documentary and eight two-hour presentations. I will track attendance/views with a sign-in sheet and know my audience developed human trafficking awareness by their survey responses and role play activities.*

Learn more in the [Your Guide to Going Gold](#).

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Measurable Example **Your Turn!** Sustain Example

## CREATE YOUR PLAN

### Now, it's your turn!

**Measuring My Gold Award Project's Success**

Determine how you'll measure your project's success by identifying what your target audience(s) will learn/gain, and then how and when you'll measure that impact. Click the (+) button to get started.

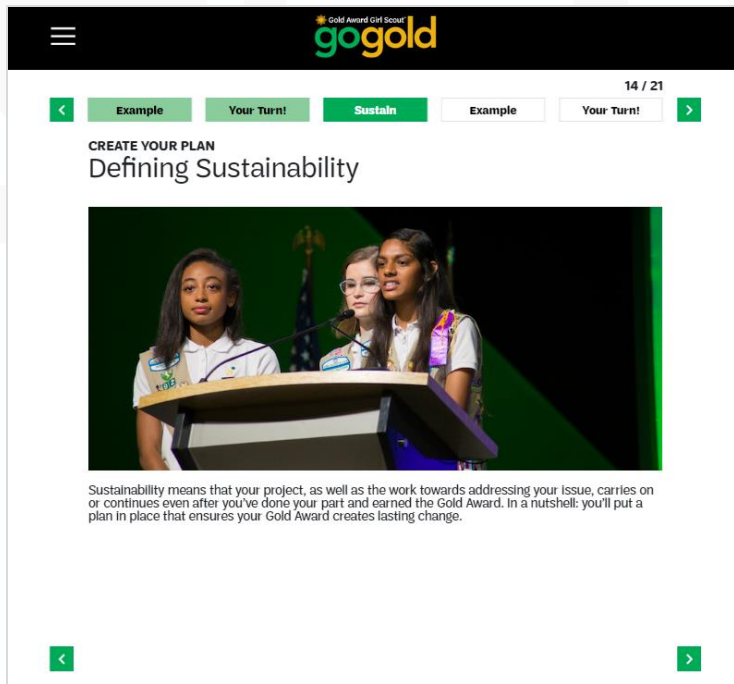
**+ Add a Measurement**

You need to add some measurable goal plans here

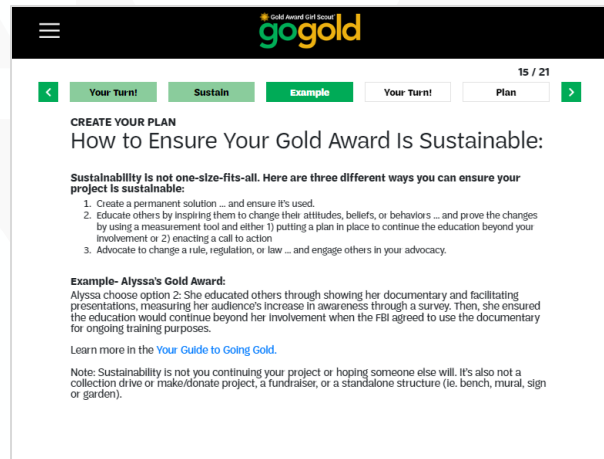
Your goals should be detailed, relevant to your project, and include information that can be measured. They should also include a target date of completion. **My Gold Award project goals are:**

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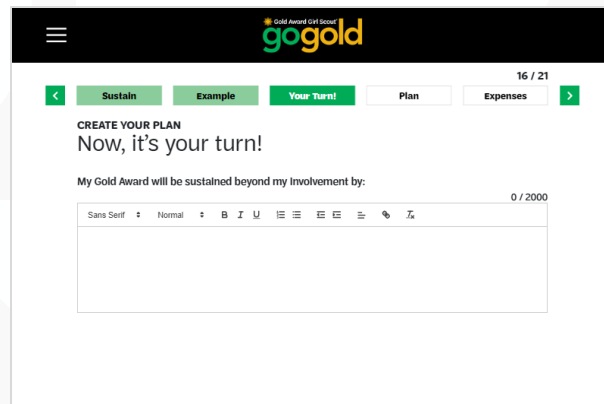
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The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a progress indicator showing '15 / 21'. Below the navigation bar, there are several tabs: 'Your Turn!', 'Sustain', 'Example', 'Your Turn!', and 'Plan'. The 'Example' tab is currently selected. The main content area is titled 'CREATE YOUR PLAN' and 'How to Ensure Your Gold Award Is Sustainable:'. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text: 'Sustainability is not one-size-fits-all. Here are three different ways you can ensure your project is sustainable:'. Below this text, there is a numbered list of three items: 1. Create a permanent solution ... and ensure it's used. 2. Educate others by inspiring them to change their attitudes, beliefs, or behaviors ... and prove the changes by using a measurement tool and either 1) putting a plan in place to continue the education beyond your involvement or 2) enacting a call to action. 3. Advocate to change a rule, regulation, or law ... and engage others in your advocacy. Below the list, there is a section titled 'Example- Alyssa's Gold Award:' followed by a paragraph of text: 'Alyssa choose option 2: She educated others through showing her documentary and facilitating presentations, measuring her audience's increase in awareness through a survey. Then, she ensured the education would continue beyond her involvement when the FBI agreed to use the documentary for ongoing training purposes. Learn more in the [Your Guide to Going Gold](#).' Below this text, there is a note: 'Note: Sustainability is not you continuing your project or hoping someone else will. It's also not a collection drive or make/donate project, a fundraiser, or a standalone structure (ie. bench, mural, sign or garden).'



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The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there is a progress indicator showing '17 / 21' and a series of tabs: 'Example', 'Your Turn!', 'Plan', 'Expenses', and 'Strengths'. The 'Plan' tab is currently selected. The main content area is titled 'CREATE YOUR PLAN' and 'Your Project Plan'. It contains a brief instruction: 'Briefly outline the steps involved in putting your plan into action, including the activity, your team's role, resources you'll need, and how long you expect it to take. Pro-tip: Log activities in five-hour increments or less and remember that there is a minimum of 80 hours suggested to complete a Gold Award. You've got this!' Below this, there is a note: 'Note: Dates will display as the first day of the month on your proposal'. At the bottom, it says 'Total: 0 Hours' and has a '+ Add Another' button.

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Plan Expenses **Strengths** Talents Tell the World

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Strengths and Talents**  
 The strengths, talents, and skills I currently have and will put into action are:

Project Management, Public Speaking, Budgeting, Courage, Confidence, Character, Collaboration, Community Building, Decision Making, Integrity, Implementation, Presentation Skills, Problem Solving, Time Management, Research, Organization, Risk-taking, Innovation

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Plan Expenses Strengths **Talents** Tell the World

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Strengths and Talents**

The new skills I plan to learn and develop throughout my Gold Award are:

+ Add Another

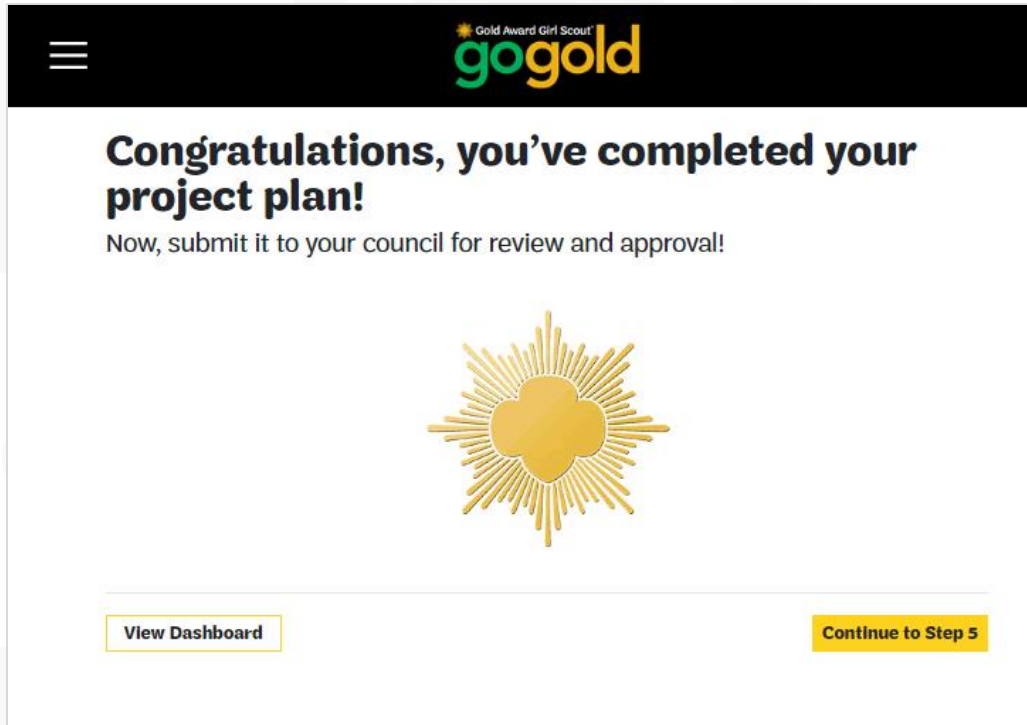
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Plan Expenses Strengths Talents **Tell the World**

**CREATE YOUR PLAN**  
**Tell the World**  
 I will let others know about my Gold Award (the impact of my project, what the Gold Award is and what I learned by earning it) by promoting via:  
 Note: This is NOT about your Gold Award's sustainability.

Website, Blogs, Social Media, Presentations, Posters, Videos, Articles, Public Demonstrations, Workshops

**I'm Finished**



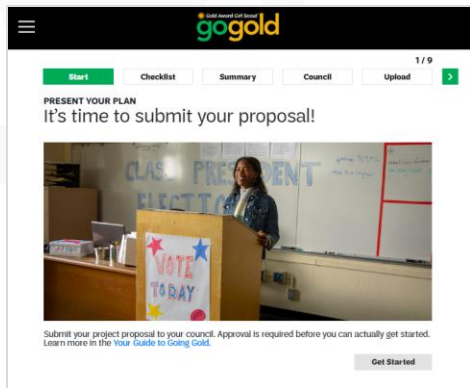
The screenshot shows a web interface for the GoGold platform. At the top, there is a black navigation bar with a white hamburger menu icon on the left and the 'gogold' logo in the center. The logo consists of the word 'gogold' in a lowercase, sans-serif font, with 'go' in green and 'gold' in yellow. Above the 'o' in 'gold' is a small gold star icon and the text 'Gold Award Girl Scout'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area has a white background. It features a large, bold heading: 'Congratulations, you've completed your project plan!'. Underneath the heading is a line of text: 'Now, submit it to your council for review and approval!'. In the center of the page is a large, stylized gold sunburst icon with a four-petaled flower shape in the middle. At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: a white button with a yellow border labeled 'View Dashboard' and a solid yellow button labeled 'Continue to Step 5'.

**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete

## Step 5: Present Your Plan

## Present Your Plan: Proposal

Step 5 is the final step to your project proposal. Answer the questions in as much detail as possible.



**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete

**Tab 1:** Start

**Tab 2:** Checklist

**Tab 3:** Summary

**Tab 4:** Council

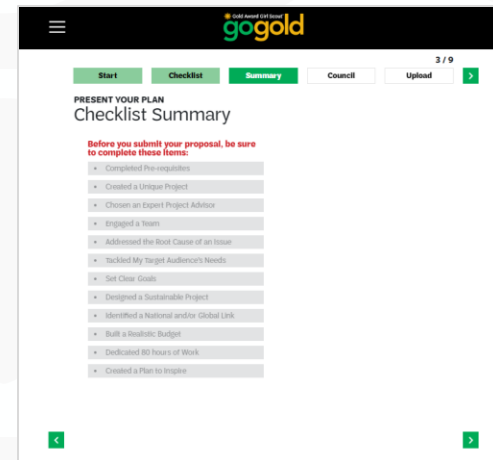
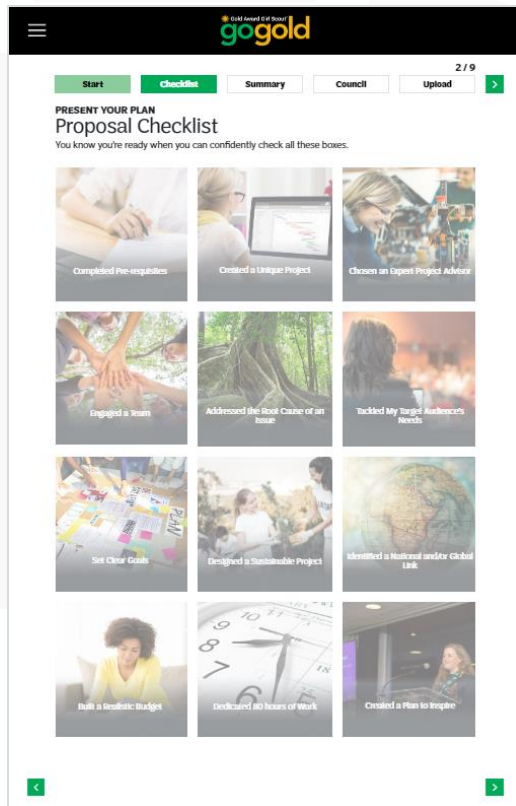
**Tab 5:** Upload

**Tab 6:** Preview

**Tab 7:** Verify

**Tab 8:** You're Ready

**Tab 9:** Submit



**Please Note:** All items on the checklist must be checked off before you can proceed

PRESENT YOUR PLAN  
Confirm Your Council

Is that your council's logo? If yes, proceed! If not, select the correct council from the drop-down menu.

Council Name  
Test Council

**Tip:** Confirm you have selected the correct council. If update is needed, visit your profile and make the correct selection on Tab 4: Council.

I am in Present Your Plan Approval

- Dashboard
- Track My Work
- Preview Report
- Project Notes
- Help & FAQ
- Profile

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GET REGISTERED  
Council Information

Council Name  
Council Name

**Troop Leader/Volunteer Information**  
Troop/Independently Registered Member Number  
Troop/Independently Registered Member Number

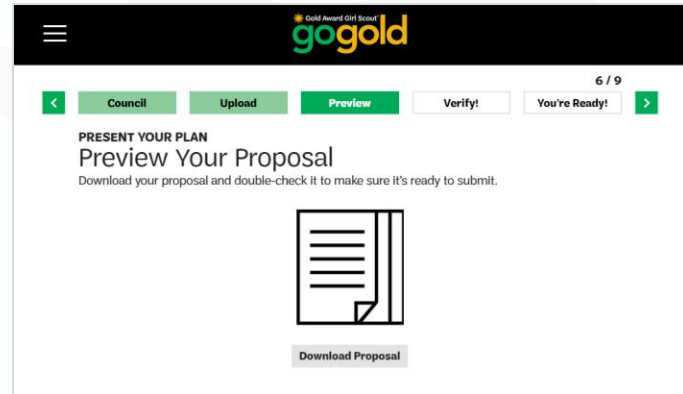
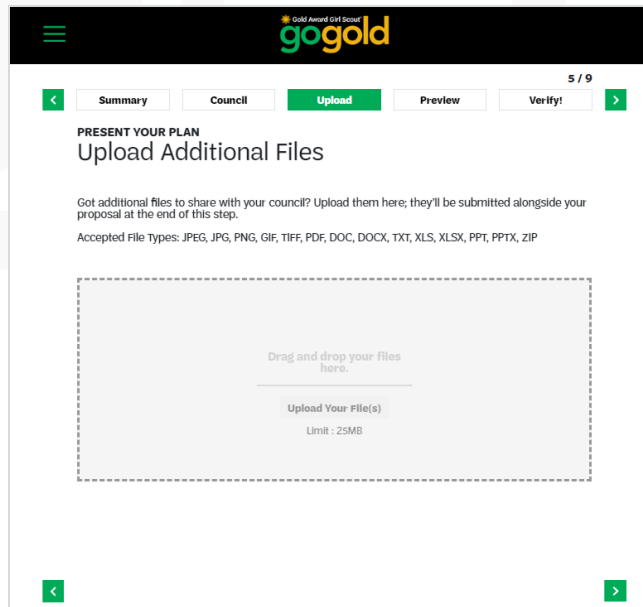
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**Please Note:** Council files you downloaded at Step 4 Tab 2: Files should be uploaded here.

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< Upload Preview **Verify!** You're Ready! Submit

### PRESENT YOUR PLAN

## Get verification!

Get your troop leader/volunteer to verify that you completed your prerequisites, and obtain project advisor support of your proposal before submitting it. Click the boxes below to send a pre-generated email to your troop leader and project advisor. After they affirm your efforts, you can move to the next screen and submit your proposal to your council.

**Troop Volunteer**

Request Verification

**Project Advisor**

Request Verification

**Trouble Verifying?**

Gray Button: Carefully review that you have completed Steps 3 + 4. Ensure all questions have been answered and click on the yellow "I'm Finished" button on final tab.

Verification Email: Have your troop leader and project advisor add [email@email.girlscouts.org](mailto:email@email.girlscouts.org) and check their spam folder.

Wrong Email: To update your troop leader's information, visit your profile. To update your profile advisor, visit Step 3: Get Help. Don't forget to click "Save."

Other: Contact your council or [gogoldonline@girlscouts.org](mailto:gogoldonline@girlscouts.org) with any other questions

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Your proposal is pending Project Advisor and/or Troop/Group Volunteer verification X

## My Dashboard

**girlscouts**

### Gold Award Progress

Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!

#### Discover

Hone in on a community issue.  
*These steps are optional*

**1. Choose an Issue**

**2. Investigate**

#### Connect

Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact.  
*These steps are required and will result in your proposal*

**Tip:** If the troop leader or project advisor does not receive the verification email, please have them check their spam folder and add [email@girlscouts.org](mailto:email@girlscouts.org) to their contacts list.

The council is also able to send verification links through their admin account.

Click on the Girl Scout's name. Ensure they are on “Pending PA/TL Approval.” An email will populate from your email server that you can send on the Girl Scout’s behalf directly to the relevant party.

**Please Note:** The system will not move allow you to move forward until they provide approval.

**Admin POV**

COUNCIL > TEST COUNCIL

COUNCIL USERS REGISTERED GIRLS

**PROFILE**

Jess Test13	
<b>EMAIL</b>	gjessro+t13@gmail.com
<b>COUNCIL</b>	Test Council
<b>TROOP</b>	123456
<b>GRADE</b>	T1
<b>GRADUATION</b>	01/2022
<b>PREREQUISITES</b>	SilverAward Path Silver Award Council: Caribe Date: 01/2022 Journey Mission Sisterhood (English) Date: 04/2022

**Project Proposal**

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[Send Project Advisor Verification Link](#)

[Send Troop Leader Verification Link](#)

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## Troop Leader POV



Hi Test,

Jessica U6 has started planning for their Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award a Senior or Ambassador Girl Scout can earn. Through a seven-step process, they'll tackle the root cause of a community issue—developing and carrying out an innovative and sustainable solution.

Jessica has listed you as their troop leader/volunteer. Congrats on supporting Jessica in going Gold! Troop leader/volunteers are responsible for confirming the prerequisites the Girl Scout has completed—either the Silver Award and one Senior/Ambassador Journey or, in lieu of the Silver Award, two Senior/Ambassador Journeys.

Jessica has stated that they completed the following prerequisites:

- Silver Award - Test Council - 4/2022
- Journey - Girl Topia (Español) - 1/2023

By clicking the button below, you certify that you are Jessica's troop leader/volunteer and that they have completed the prereqs listed above. If you have any concerns, please reach out to the Girl Scout prior to submitting your approval.

I APPROVE

Thank you!



Hi Troop Leader/volunteer,

You've played an instrumental role by helping your Girl Scout complete their Gold Award prerequisites.

They're now on their way to becoming a Gold Award Girl Scout by earning the Gold Award, the greatest accomplishment in Girl Scouting. Through this seven-step process, they will tackle the root cause of a community issue by developing and carrying out an innovative and sustainable solution.

By clicking the button below, you certify that you are the Girl Scout's troop leader/volunteer and that they have completed the prerequisites listed in the email you received from GoGold 2.0. If you have any concerns, please reach out to the Girl Scout prior to submitting your approval.

I Approve

*Please Note:* Button serves as signature



Thank you for confirming that your Girl Scout has completed the prerequisites. They will receive a confirmation email shortly! Your Girl Scout is now one step closer to submitting their proposal to their council for review and approval.

Thank you for supporting your Girl Scout in going for the Gold!



Congrats! Your troop leader/volunteer has confirmed you've completed your Gold Award prerequisites. Once your project advisor has verified their support for your proposal, please preview and submit your proposal to your council for review.

CHECK MY STATUS

## Project Advisor POV



Hi Test,

Jessica U6 has started planning for their Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award a Senior or Ambassador Girl Scout can earn. Through a seven-step process, they'll tackle the root cause of a community issue—developing and carrying out an innovative and sustainable solution.

Jessica has listed you as their Gold Award project advisor. A project advisor provides guidance and expertise to the Girl Scout during the planning and execution of the Gold Award project—though it's important that the project and its core ideas be the Girl Scout's own. Learn more about the Gold Award in our Gold Award Guide for Project Advisors.

Additionally, a project advisor endorses the [Girl Scout's Gold Award project proposal](#). Please review their plan, and if needed, reach out to them to ensure you are prepared to support them. This is the time to ask questions!

By clicking the button below, you agree to be Jessica's project advisor and confirm that you support their project.

I AGREE

Thank you!



Hello Project Advisor,

Thank you for volunteering to be your Girl Scout's Gold Award Project Advisor. In this role, you will help them become a Gold Award Girl Scout by earning the Gold Award, the greatest accomplishment in Girl Scouting. Through this seven step process they will tackle the root cause of a community issue by developing and carrying out an innovative and sustainable solution.

As a project advisor you will provide guidance and expertise to the Girl Scout as needed, during the planning and execution of the Gold Award project. It is important for the project and its core ideas to be the Girl Scout's own.

By clicking the button below, you agree to be the Girl Scout's project advisor and confirm you support their project.

I AGREE

*Please Note:* Button serves as signature



Thank you for confirming your support for your Girl Scout's Gold Award report—they'll receive an email confirmation shortly!

Your Girl Scout is now one step closer to submitting their proposal to their council for review and approval. Thank you for supporting your Girl Scout in going for the Gold!



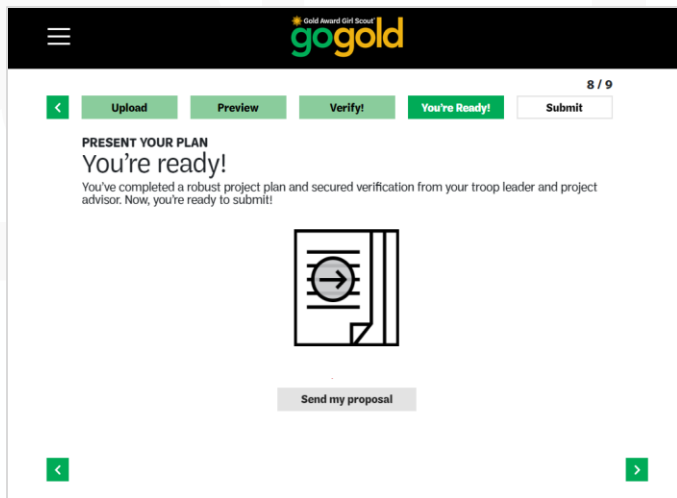
Congrats! Your project advisor supports your Gold Award project proposal. Once your troop leader/volunteer confirms you've completed the prerequisites, please preview and submit your proposal to your council for review.

CHECK MY STATUS

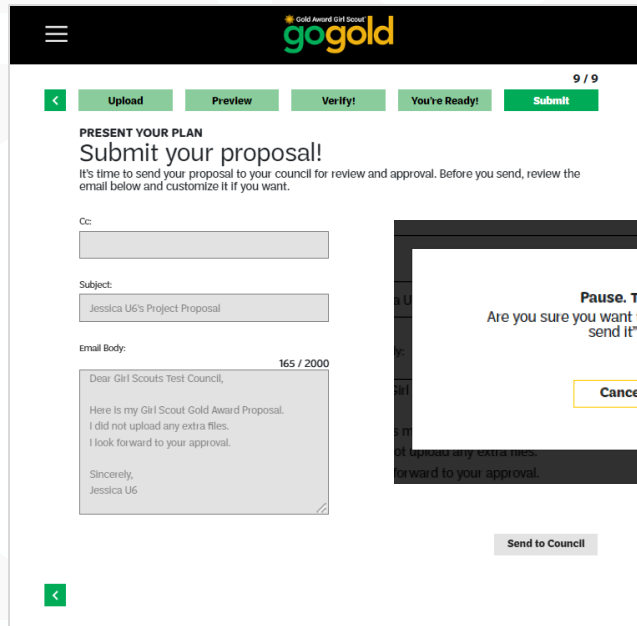


Congratulations! Your Gold Award project proposal is approved. Please proceed to Step 6 where you can track your work!

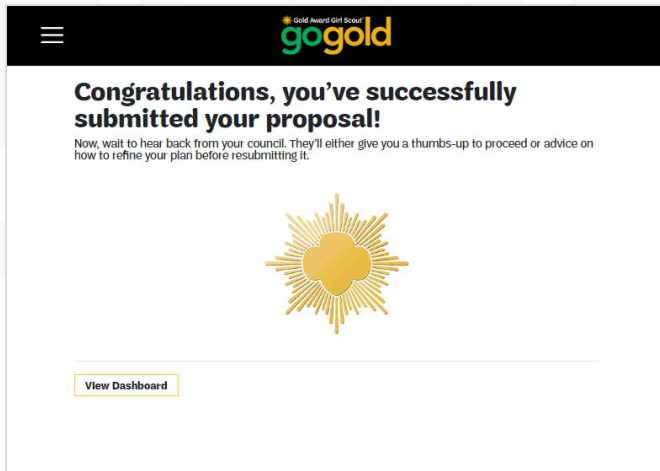
You will be notified by email when you have received verification. Next step is to log back into GoGold and navigate to the final tab of Step 5: Present Your Plan - “Submit”



**Tip:** If you are seeing a gray button, confirm you have received troop leader and project verification in Step 5 Tab 7: Verify.



If any additional fields need to be completed, a red error message should appear indicating those fields. The tabs containing the fields will be highlighted in red to help you locate them.



Your proposal will be downloaded and reviewed to be ensure all components are complete. Once your project proposal has been approved, you will receive an email providing permission to continue to the next step.

Admin POV



Dear Girl Scouts Test Council,

Here is my Girl Scout Gold Award Proposal.  
I did not upload any extra files.  
I look forward to your approval.

Sincerely,  
Jessica U6

[Download Project Proposal](#)



Gold Award Girl Scout **gogold**

Your proposal is pending council approval. ✕

## My Dashboard

### Gold Award Progress

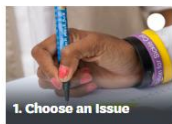
Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!



#### Discover

Hone in on a community issue.

*These steps are optional*



#### Connect

Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact.

*These steps are required and will result in your proposal*



#### Take Action

### Admin POV

	NAME	GRADE	GRADUATION	PROJECT TITLE	STEP	STATUS	DOWNLOAD	LAST LOGIN
<input type="checkbox"/>	Test Council	Rojas, Jessica	12	01/2023	Test	Pending Council Approval	Project Proposal	09/27/2023 09:58 AM

Pending Council Approval on 09/27/2023 10:59 AM

APPROVE

NEEDS IMPROVEMENT

Send Email APPLY

If you receive a Needs Improvement email, your council will provide feedback. Please make the necessary updates on the appropriate steps – not on the PDF directly.

Your proposal needs improvement. Please review feedback, make updates and re-submit!



## My Dashboard

### Gold Award Progress

Use this as your guide through the seven steps to going Gold. Visit often to check your progress!

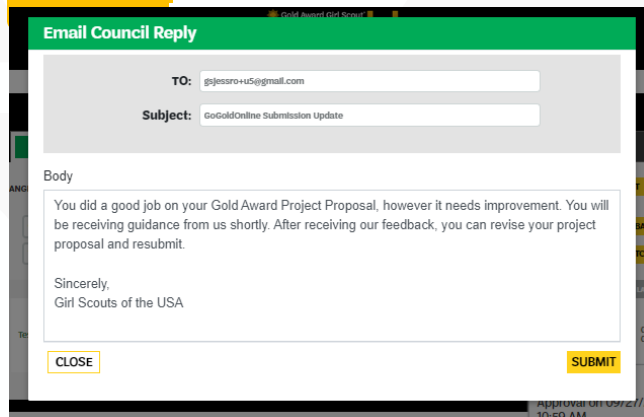
### Discover

Hone in on a community issue.

*These steps are optional*



## Admin POV



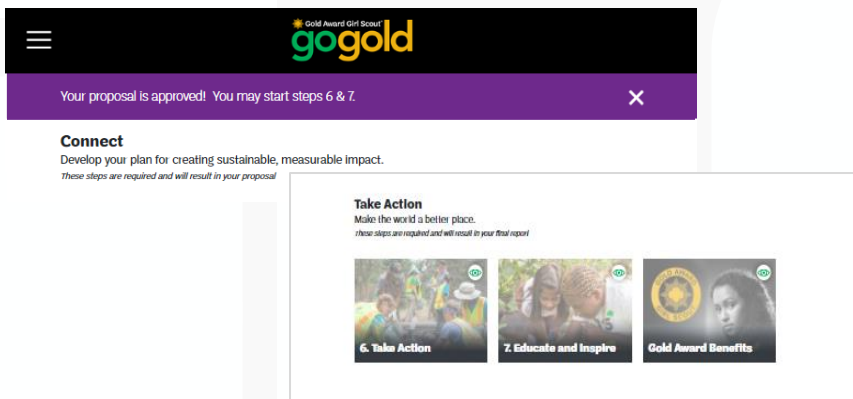
*Please Note:* Councils can customize the reply email. The bottom image shows the Girl Scouts' POV.



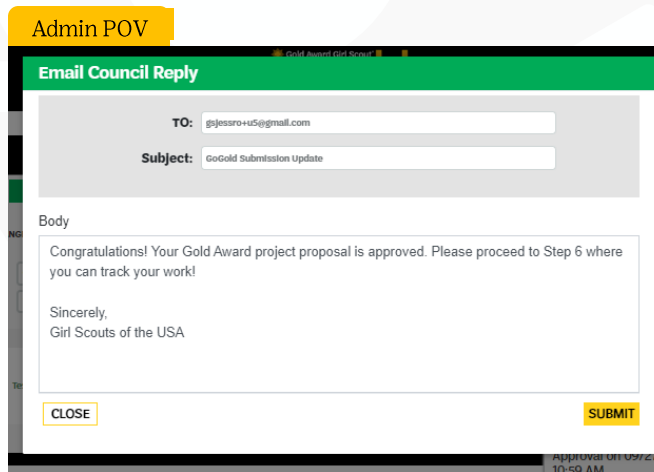
You did a good job on your Gold Award Project Proposal, however it needs improvement. You will be receiving guidance from us shortly. After receiving our feedback, you can revise your project proposal and resubmit.

Sincerely,  
Girl Scouts of the USA

When your proposal is approved by the council, Steps 6 + 7 will unlock and no longer display the view only icon.



**Please Note:** Step 4 + 5 will be View Only after council approves proposal at Step 5



**Please Note:** Councils can customize the reply email. The bottom image shows the Girl Scouts' POV.

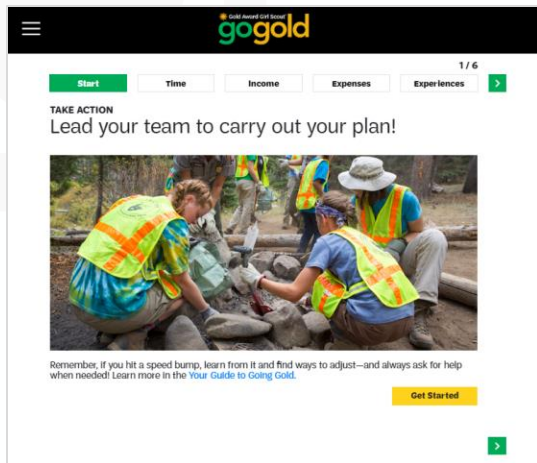


Congratulations! Your Gold Award project proposal is approved. Please proceed to Step 6 where you can track your work!

# Step 6: Take Action

### Take Action: Final Report

Step 6 is the first step to your final report. Answer the questions in as much detail as possible.



**Tab 1:** Start

**Tab 2:** Time

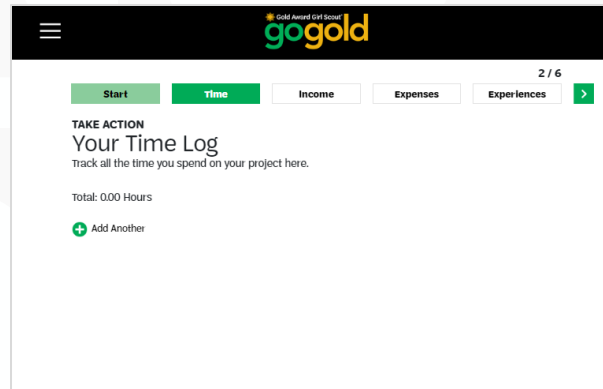
**Tab 3:** Income

**Tab 4:** Expenses

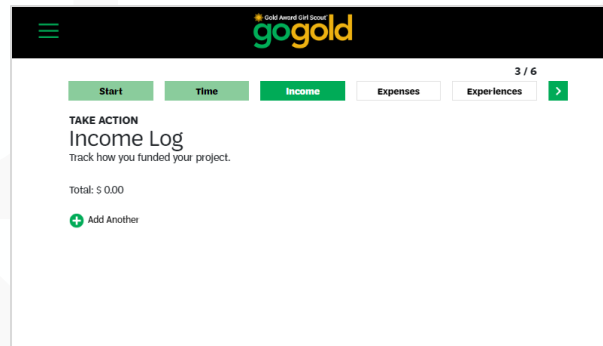
**Tab 5:** Experiences

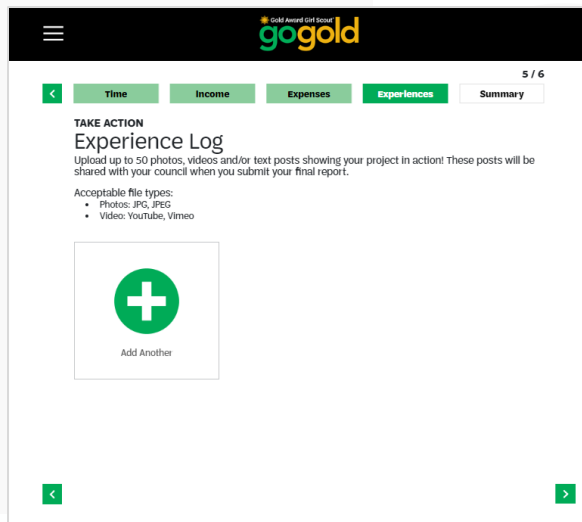
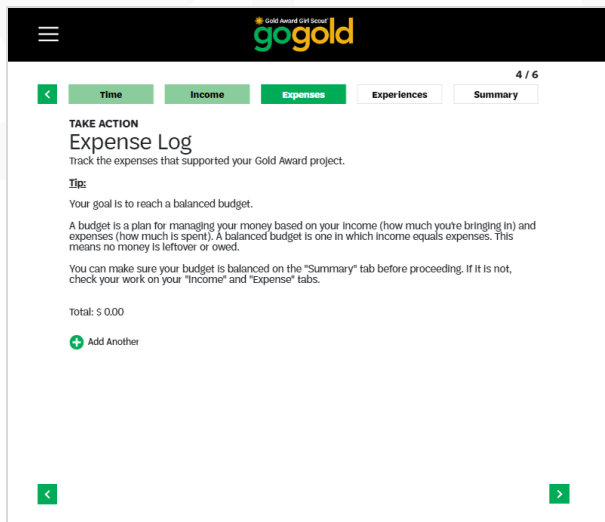
**Tab 6:** Summary

**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete



**Please Note:** Project must be at least 80 hours.





*Please Note:* You are expected to have a final balance of \$0 between your income and expense logs. You can check your work on the next tab: Summary.

Be sure to list your In-Kind donations as well

Gold Award Girl Scout  
**gogold**

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Time Income Expenses Experiences **Summary**

**TAKE ACTION**  
**Summary**

Hours Spent on Your Project ✓

Expenses You Estimated In Step 4  
\$ 1,232.00 Estimated ✓

Your Actual Project Expenses  
Please complete the mandatory fields ✓

How you planned to meet your project cost:  
Test ✓

Your Actual Project Income ✓


Total Experience Posts You've Shared ✓

**I'm Finished**

Gold Award Girl Scout  
**gogold**

**Congratulations, you're done tracking how you completed your Gold Award project.**

Now, reflect on your impact and submit your final report!



**View Dashboard** **Continue to Step 7**

**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete

## Step 7: Educate and Inspire



## Take Action: Final Report

Step 7 is the last step to your final report. Answer the questions in as much detail as possible.



**Tab 1:** Start

**Tab 2:** Description

**Tab 3:** Theme

**Tab 4:** Issues

**Tab 5:** Root Cause

**Tab 6:** Summarize

**Tab 7:** Goals

**Tab 8:** Results

**Tab 9:** Reflect

**Tab 10:** Shout!

**Tab 11:** Obstacles

**Tab 12:** Skills

**Tab 13:** Leadership

**Tab 14:** Pros/Cons

**Tab 15:** Outcomes

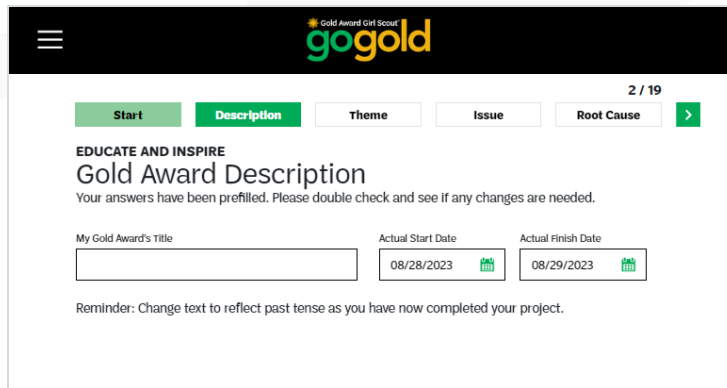
**Tab 16:** Upload

**Tab 17:** Preview

**Tab 18:** Verify

**Tab 19:** Submit

**Tip:** Ensure you click on the yellow “Get Started” and “Finished” buttons so GoGold can mark the step as complete



**Please Note:** Much of your final report will be prepopulated from your proposal entries. Update your answers and add additional context to accurately reflect your project.

- **Tabs auto filled from proposals:** Step 7 – Description, Theme, Issue, Root Cause, Summarize, Goals
- **Tabs with new questions to answer:** Step 7 – Root Cause, Results, Reflect, Shout!, Obstacles, Skills, Leadership, Pros/Cons, Outcomes, Upload, Preview, Verify, Submit

The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a hamburger menu, the GoGold logo, and a progress indicator showing '3 / 19'. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Start', 'Description', 'Theme', 'Issue', and 'Root Cause'. The 'Issue' tab is selected. The main content area is titled 'EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Gold Award Description' and includes a sub-header 'Confirm up to three themes your Gold Award addressed.' Below this is a grid of 18 issue categories, each with a representative image and a label: Artistic, Arts, Culture & Heritage, Childhood Issues, Civic Engagement, Disability Issues, Disaster Relief, Education, Elderly Issues, Environment & Sustainability, Entrepreneurship, Health, Healthy Relationships, Human Rights, Life Skills, Military/Veterans Affairs, Outdoor, Poverty, Public Safety, Sports, and STEM. At the bottom of the grid, there is a reminder: 'Reminder: Change text to reflect past tense as you have now completed your project.'

The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface with the 'Issue' tab selected. The navigation bar at the top shows '4 / 19' and tabs for 'Description', 'Theme', 'Issue', 'Root Cause', and 'Summarize'. The main content area is titled 'EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Gold Award Description' and includes a sub-header 'Review your Gold Award's issue. Is there anything you want to add or change?'. Below this is a section titled 'My Gold Award addressed this Issue:' with a character count of '4 / 2000'. A text editor is provided with a toolbar containing options for font (Sans Serif), size (Normal), bold (B), italic (I), underline (U), list (bulleted and numbered), link, unlink, and text color. Below the text editor, there is a reminder: 'Reminder: Change text to reflect past tense as you have now completed your project.'

This box will be auto filled with your proposal response. Review and update, making any appropriate additions or changes to reflect how your project went.

**Tip:** Ensure this response is in past-tense, since you addressed the issue.

The first text box will be auto filled with your proposal response.

The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface for Step 5, "Summarize Your Gold Award". The header includes the GoGold logo and a navigation menu with options: Theme, Issue, Root Cause, Summarize, Goals, and Results. The current step is "Summarize", indicated by a green highlight and a "5 / 19" progress indicator. The main heading is "EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Summarize Your Gold Award". Below this, a sub-heading reads "Review the root cause you identified in Step 4, then explain how you addressed it." The form contains two text boxes. The first is titled "The root cause of the Issue my Gold Award addressed was:" with a character count of "4 / 2000". The second is titled "I addressed the root cause of my Issue by:" with a character count of "0 / 2000". Both text boxes have a rich text editor toolbar. A reminder at the bottom states: "Reminder: Change text to reflect past tense as you have now completed your project." Navigation arrows are visible at the bottom corners.

The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface for Step 6, "Review your Target Audience(s)". The header includes the GoGold logo and a navigation menu with options: Issue, Root Cause, Summarize, Goals, and Results. The current step is "Summarize", indicated by a green highlight and a "6 / 19" progress indicator. The main heading is "EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Review your Target Audience(s)". Below this, a sub-heading reads "Confirm and/or update the target audience(s) you reached through your Gold Award:". The form contains a single text box with a character count of "0 / 2000". Below the text box is a green "+ Add Another" button. A reminder at the bottom states: "Reminder: Change text to reflect past tense as you have now completed your project." Navigation arrows are visible at the bottom corners.

**Tip:** Ensure this response is in past-tense, since you addressed the root cause of your issue.

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EDUCATE AND INSPIRE

## Summarize your Gold Award Project

Review and/or update how you measured your project's success:

+ Add Another

What my audience learned/gained	How I measured Impact	When I measured Impact
Test	Test	Test

Your goals should be detailed, relevant to your project, and include information that can be measured. They should also include a target date of completion. Review and/or update your Gold Award project's goals here.

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Reminder: Change text to reflect past tense as you have now completed your project.

The box above will be auto filled with your proposal response. Review and update your project goals here, making any appropriate adjustments that reflect how your project went.

Tip: Ensure this response is in past-tense, since you are reflecting on goals you set in your proposal.

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EDUCATE AND INSPIRE

## Summarize Your Gold Award Project

Share if/how you reached your goals. My results were:

0 / 2000

The skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes my target audience gained are:

0 / 2000

I know that my audience gained the desired skills or knowledge because:

0 / 2000

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Goals Results **Reflect** Shout! Obstacles

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Summarize your Gold Award**

Reflect on and share your Gold Award's sustainability, national and/or global link, and how you led your team.

My Gold Award is sustained beyond my involvement by: 0 / 2000

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My Gold Award's national and/or global link was: 0 / 2000

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I led my team by: 0 / 2000

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Results Reflect **Shout!** Obstacles Skills

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Shout it from the rooftop!**

I told others about my Gold Award (the impact of my project, what the Gold Award is, and what I learned in earning it) by promoting via:

Note: This is not your project's sustainability.

- Website
- Blogs
- Social Media
- Presentations
- Posters
- Videos
- Articles
- Public Demonstrations
- Workshops

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Reflect Shout! **Obstacles** Skills Leadership

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Time to reflect!**  
Reflect on your project; then share your takeaways and lessons learned. This is your opportunity to shine—elaborate with 4–5 sentences for each response.

The obstacles I encountered were: 0 / 2000

I overcame them by: 0 / 2000

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Show Obstacles **Skills** Leadership Post/Comments

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Time to reflect!**  
The strengths, talents, and skills I put into action were:

- Project Management
- Public Speaking
- Empathy
- Courage
- Confidence
- Character
- Collaboration
- Community Building
- Decision Making
- Empathy
- Implementation
- Presentation Skills
- Problem Solving
- Time Management
- Research
- Web Design
- Innovation

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< Obstacles Skills **Leadership** Pros/Cons Outcomes >

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Time to reflect!**  
Reflect on what you learned about your leadership skills.

The leadership skills I put into practice were: 0 / 2000

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I learned the following about myself: 0 / 2000

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Gold Award Girl Scout  
**gogold**

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< Skills **Leadership** **Pros/Cons** Outcomes Upload >

**EDUCATE AND INSPIRE**  
**Time to reflect!**  
Reflect on what worked well and what you would do differently if given the chance.

The most successful part of my project was: 0 / 2000

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I would change the following if I could start over: 0 / 2000

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The screenshot shows the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the GoGold logo and a menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for Leadership, Pros/Cons, Outcomes, Upload, and Preview. The 'Outcomes' tab is selected. The main content area is titled 'EDUCATE AND INSPIRE' and 'Time to reflect!'. Below this, there is a sub-header: 'Through completing my Gold Award, I now demonstrate the following Girl Scout leadership outcomes.' There are five cards representing different leadership outcomes: 'Strong Sense of Self' (a girl smiling), 'Positive Values' (three girls talking), 'Challenge Seeking' (a girl archery), 'Healthy Relationships' (two girls high-fiving), and 'Community Problem Solving' (hands holding a bowl of food). A green arrow points from the 'Time to reflect!' text to an information icon on the right.



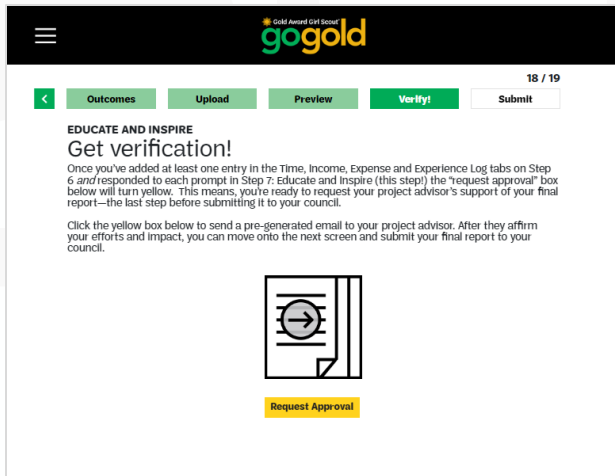
Below find an explanation of each leadership outcome.

- **STRONG SENSE OF SELF**  
I have confidence in myself and my abilities, and I have formed a positive self-identity.
- **POSITIVE VALUES**  
I act ethically, honestly, and responsibly, and show concern for others.
- **CHALLENGE SEEKING**  
I take appropriate risks, try things even if I might fail, and learn from mistakes.
- **HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS**  
I develop and maintain healthy relationships by communicating my feelings directly and resolving conflicts constructively.
- **COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING**  
I desire to contribute to the world in a purposeful and meaningful way, learn how to identify problems in the community, and create "action plans" to solve them.



The screenshot shows the 'Upload Additional Files' step in the GoGold platform. The header includes the GoGold logo and a progress indicator '16 / 19'. A navigation bar contains buttons for 'Pros/Cons', 'Outcomes', 'Upload' (highlighted in green), 'Preview', and 'Verify!'. The main content area is titled 'EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Upload Additional Files' and includes instructions: 'Got additional files to share with your council? Upload them here; they'll be submitted alongside your final report at the end of this step.' Below this, it lists 'Accepted file types: PDF, JPG, JPEG, PNG, DOC, DOCX'. A large dashed box contains the text 'Drag and drop your files here.' and a yellow 'Upload Your File(s)' button. At the bottom of the dashed box, it states 'Maximum file size is 25MB'. The page has a back arrow on the bottom left and a forward arrow on the bottom right.

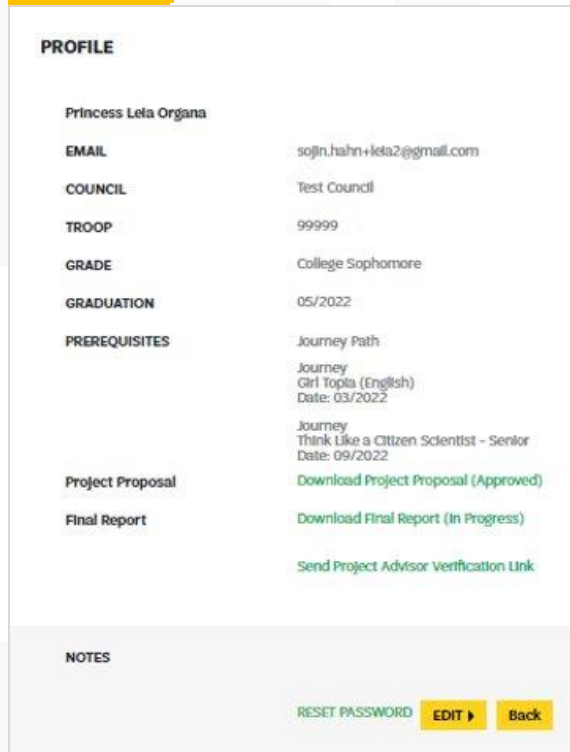
The screenshot shows the 'Preview Your Final Report' step in the GoGold platform. The header includes the GoGold logo and a progress indicator '17 / 19'. A navigation bar contains buttons for 'Outcomes', 'Upload', 'Preview' (highlighted in green), 'Verify!', and 'Submit'. The main content area is titled 'EDUCATE AND INSPIRE Preview Your Final Report' and includes instructions: 'Download your final report. Review it to make sure it is ready to submit.' Below this is a large icon of a document with a right-pointing arrow. At the bottom of the icon is a yellow 'Download Final Report' button. The page has a back arrow on the bottom left and a forward arrow on the bottom right.



**Please Note:** If you are seeing gray buttons, carefully review that you have completed Steps 6.

The system will not move allow you to move forward until they provide approval.

## Admin POV



**Tip:** If the troop leader or project advisor does not receive the verification email, please have them check their spam folder and add [email@email.girlscouts.org](mailto:email@email.girlscouts.org) to their contacts list.

The council is able to send verification links through their admin account.

Councils should click on the Girl Scout's name. Ensure they are on “Pending PA/TL Approval.” An email will populate from your email server that you can send on the girl’s behalf directly to the relevant party.

## Project Advisor POV



Hi Test,

Thank you for providing guidance and expertise to Jessica U6 as they worked toward their Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award a Senior or Ambassador Girl Scout can earn. Jessica has completed their final report and seeks your verification before submitting it to their council for review and approval. This is their last step!

Like at the proposal step, the project advisor should review the Girl Scout's Gold Award final report, certifying the Girl Scout completed the work they committed to in their project proposal. If needed, reach out to the Girl Scout for any clarification. This is the time to ask questions!

[View Jessica's final report.](#)

By clicking the button below, you certify that Jessica U6 completed their Gold Award project and that you endorse their final report.



Thank you!



Hi Project Advisor,

Thank you for providing guidance and expertise to your Girl Scout as they worked toward their Gold Award, the highest award a Senior or Ambassador Girl Scout can earn. Your Girl Scout has completed their final report and needs your verification before submitting it to their council for review and approval—their last step!

Like at the proposal step, please review the Girl Scout's final Gold Award report, certifying the Girl Scout completed the work they committed to in their project proposal. If needed, reach out to the Girl Scout for any clarification. This is the time to ask questions!

By clicking the button below, you certify that your Girl Scout completed their Gold Award project and you endorse their final report.

I AGREE

*Please Note:* Button serves as signature



Thank you for endorsing your Girl Scout's final Gold Award report—they'll receive email confirmation shortly!

Your Girl Scout is now one step closer to submitting their final report to their council for review and approval. Thank you for supporting them in going for the Gold.



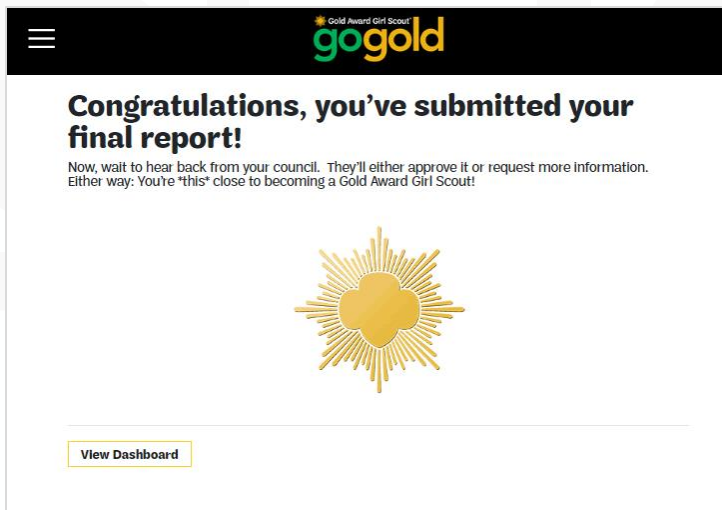
Congrats! Your project advisor has endorsed your Gold Award final report. Please preview and submit your final report to your council for review.

**SUBMIT MY FINAL REPORT**

You will be notified by email when they have received verification. Next step is to log back into GoGold and navigate to the final tab of Step 7: Educate and Inspire- “Submit”

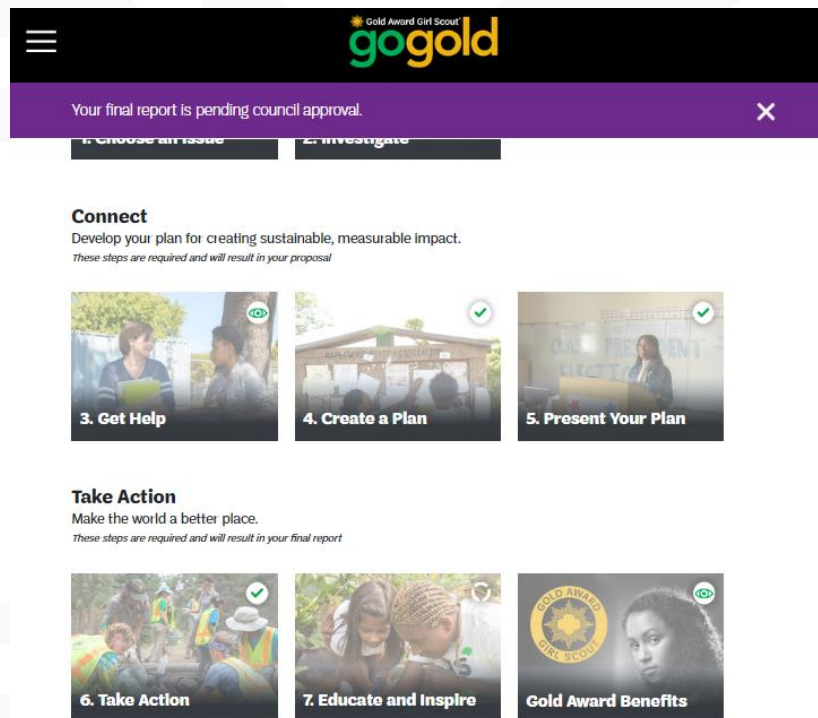
A screenshot of the GoGold platform interface. At the top, there is a black navigation bar with a hamburger menu icon on the left and the "gogold" logo on the right. Below the navigation bar, there is a row of five green buttons: a back arrow, "Outcomes", "Upload", "Preview", "Verify!", and "Submit". The "Submit" button is highlighted. The main content area is titled "EDUCATE AND INSPIRE" and "Submit your final report!". Below this, there is a sub-header "EDUCATE AND INSPIRE" and a paragraph: "Submit your final report! It's time to send your final report to your council for review. (You'll have a chance to customize your email first.)". There are three input fields: "Cc:" (empty), "Subject:" (containing "Jessica U6's Final Report"), and "Email Body:" (containing a sample email body). The "Email Body:" field has a character count "169 / 500". At the bottom right of the email body field, there is a yellow button that says "Send my Final Report". A back arrow button is located at the bottom left of the screenshot.

If any additional fields need to be completed, a red error message should appear indicating those fields. The tabs containing the fields will be highlighted in red to help you locate them.

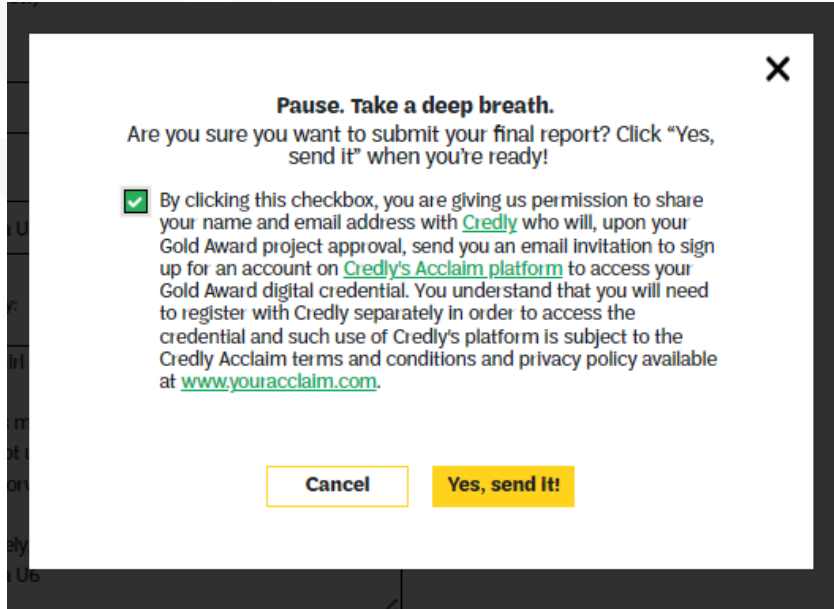


Your final report will be downloaded and reviewed by your council to ensure all components are complete.

Once your final report has been reviewed by your council, you will receive an email from GoGold with next steps.



## Credly



**Pause. Take a deep breath.**

Are you sure you want to submit your final report? Click “Yes, send it” when you’re ready!

By clicking this checkbox, you are giving us permission to share your name and email address with [Credly](#) who will, upon your Gold Award project approval, send you an email invitation to sign up for an account on [Credly’s Acclaim platform](#) to access your Gold Award digital credential. You understand that you will need to register with Credly separately in order to access the credential and such use of Credly’s platform is subject to the Credly Acclaim terms and conditions and privacy policy available at [www.youracclaim.com](http://www.youracclaim.com).

**Cancel** **Yes, send It!**

All Gold Award Girl Scouts can receive a Gold Award digital credential from Credly, our verification partner. This credential is the digital equivalent of the Gold Award and can be shared on social media platforms, including LinkedIn so prospective employers, universities/colleges, military academies, and others are able to verify the Girl Scout’s achievement by simply viewing their profile.

Girl Scouts can click the pictured checkbox when they submit their final report at Step 7. When their final report is approved by their council, the information is shared with Credly and the credential is automatically issued to their email (on file with GoGold).

Admin POV

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Email Council Reply" with a green header. The form includes a "TO:" field with the email address "gsjessro+u6@gmail.com" and a "Subject:" field with the text "GoGold Submission Mistake". Below these fields is a "Body" section containing a text area with the placeholder text "Oops! Looks like we accidentally sent the approval before your final report fully reviewed. [council insert specific language/next steps here.]" and a signature block that reads "Sincerely, Girl Scouts of the USA". At the bottom of the form are two buttons: "CLOSE" on the left and "SUBMIT" on the right.

**Please Note:** Councils can customize the reply email. The image on the right shows the Girl Scouts' POV.

Occasionally mistakes are made and a final report is approved via GoGold before it's fully reviewed. If that happens, a final project's approval can be reverted. Your council will include details on next steps at that time with the intention of getting you across the finish line soon!

The screenshot shows the final version of the email from the Girl Scouts' perspective. It features the "Gold Award Girl Scout" logo and the "gogold" brand name in orange and green. A link "View in Browser" is located in the top right corner. The main body of the email contains the text: "Oops! Looks like we accidentally sent the approval before your final report fully reviewed. [council insert specific language/next steps here.]" followed by "Sincerely, Girl Scouts of the USA".

If you receive a Needs Improvement email, your council will provide feedback. Please make the necessary updates on the appropriate steps – not on the PDF directly – and then resubmit to your council for further review.

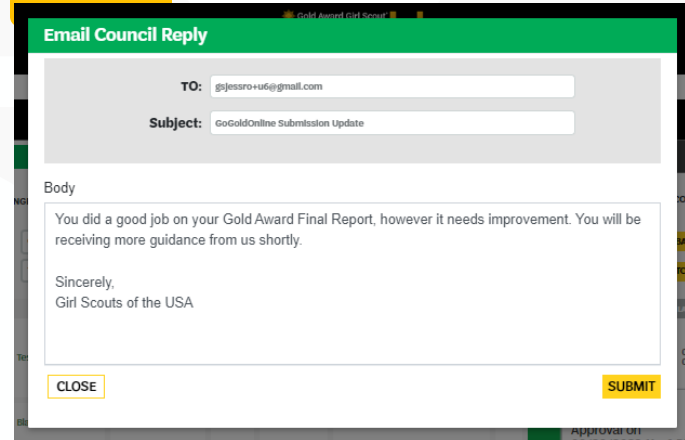


### Connect

Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact.  
*These steps are required and will result in your proposal*



### Admin POV



**Please Note:** Councils can customize the reply email. The bottom image shows the Girl Scouts' POV.

[View in Browser](#)



You did a good job on your Gold Award Final Report, however it needs improvement. You will be receiving more guidance from us shortly.

Sincerely,  
Girl Scouts of the USA.





## Connect

Develop your plan for creating sustainable, measurable impact.

*These steps are required and will result in your proposal*



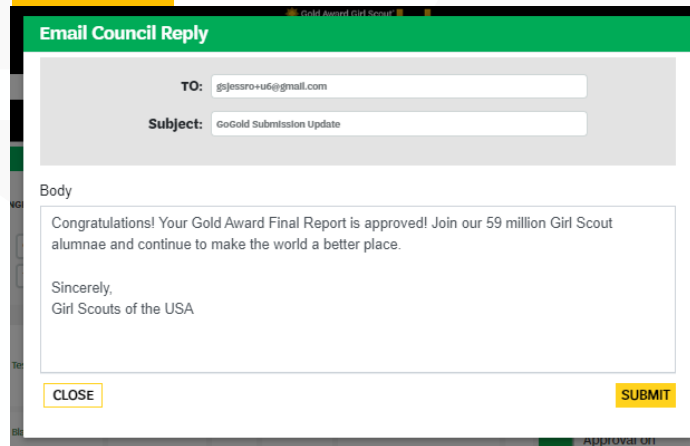
## Take Action

Make the world a better place.

*These steps are required and will result in your final report*



## Admin POV



*Please Note:* Councils can customize the reply email. The bottom image shows the Girl Scouts' POV.



Congratulations! Your Gold Award Final Report is approved! Join our 59 million Girl Scout alumnae and continue to make the world a better place.

Sincerely,  
Girl Scouts of the USA



### **Gold Award Benefits!**

You've earned the **Gold Award**, the highest award in Girl Scouting. It's the mark of the truly remarkable—proof that not only can you make a difference, but that you already *have*. It's a distinction that can open your world up to scholarships, preferred admission tracks for college, and amazing career opportunities. As a Gold Award Girl Scout you can...

**Enlist at a higher pay grade when you join the military!**

**Refer to your Gold Award and other valuable Girl Scout experiences when you apply for [scholarships](#).**

**Promote your Gold Award on your resume, college apps and LinkedIn** by claiming your Gold Award Digital Credential offered by Credly (our verification partner). Request yours when you submit your final report at Step 7, then share it so prospective employers, universities/colleges, the military and others will be easily able to verify your achievement!

**...And more!**



### Your badge is still waiting for you!

We noticed that you haven't accepted the digital badge for your Girl Scout Gold Award that we issued you on 23 Nov 2022.



Girl Scout Gold Award  
Issuer: Girl Scouts of the USA

Accept your badge

or accept your badge by clicking:  
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