



Celebrate Gold

Sophia Stephenson Excelsior Springs, MO



Sophia's Little Pet Pantry

Sophia Stephenson was a Girl Scout for 12 years as a member of Troop 737 in Service Unit 611. She is currently attending Excelsior Springs High School and will be a junior next year.

Sophia created a pet supply pantry that is a community location for pet owners to exchange items, free of charge. If a pet owner is unable to access supplies they need, for any reason, they can come to the pantry and see what has been donated to it from their community. In addition, community members are able to donate pet items they might otherwise throw away. The pantry saves items from the landfill and helps owners in need access vital supplies for their furry friends.

The community embraced this project with a lot of enthusiasm and Sophia found success in creating the pantry as a community space. Residents have been excited to donate items and have a place to go should they ever need something – it's a wonderful new asset for human and animal residents of her community!

Thanks to her efforts, pet owners and donors can swap supplies for years to come!

“Because of Girl Scouts... I am brave, confident and have had experiences and visited places I would have never been able to otherwise.”