



## Butterfly Garden at California Trail Middle

Madeline Keating has been a Girl Scout for 11 years as a member of several troops over the years. She is a current member of Troop 1195 in Service Unit 679. Madeline is a junior at Olathe North High School.

Madeline's Gold Award project addresses the decreasing population of Monarch butterflies. She researched and decided that creating a butterfly garden would give a place for monarchs and other butterflies to lay their eggs and use the nectar for sustenance. She decided on California Trail Middle School for the location to give students an opportunity to learn about the garden and enhance their knowledge.

Madeline decided on native plants to Kansas after consulting with the Master Gardeners of Johnson County. She prepared a detailed list of the plants with care instructions for the school's staff and students. In addition, Madeline completed the process and now this garden is certified by the Monarch Watch Organization.

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