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Cornerstones of Care Therapy Plants

Sara has been a Girl Scouts for 13 years and was in Troop 3000 in Service Unit 631. She graduated from Shawnee Mission Northwest High School in 2017 and is currently a freshman at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Sara's Gold Award project addressed the need for the Marillac Center patients to have an area that is relaxing. "Cornerstones of Care Therapy Plants" used the location of the court yard to provide an encouraging and a healthy sight for the patients. Sara found that her project would impact young people who continue to live in a globalized world. Due to the seriousness of mental illness, Sara found it most helpful to create a positive environment for Marillac's patients.

Sara worked with family members and troop members to **create planter benches to place in Marillac Center's courtyard.** All plants are perennial and edible. Sara also created a planting guide that provides resources to help assist future facilities. By implementing this new space, Sara hopes that her planting guides are used to help teach students about plants and how to take care of them. With the help of her community Sara has allowed for her peers to find another reason to smile.

Because of Girl Scouts... I learned to become a better leader.