



Jacqueline Abnos

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Nursing Home Knitting Corner

Jacqueline Abnos has been a Girl Scout for ten years and is in Troop 3033 in Service Unit 620. She is currently a senior at Lincoln College Preparatory Academy and will be continuing her education at George Washington University, Washington D.C.

Jacqueline's Gold Award project addressed the issue of social isolation and loss of hobbies for older populations. By setting up a knitting corner at a local senior living community, Lakeview Village, Jacqueline was able to provide a creative outlet and social group for seniors. Knitting was the selected craft because it encourages creativity, improves fine motors skills, allows creation of projects that can be donated and can be a social activity. By creating this knitting corner, Jacqueline is ensuring a better life for seniors in her community!

Jacqueline worked with Lakeview Village to positively impact their senior citizen community. With help from generous supporters, she was able to provide supplies to the seniors so there was no financial cost for them to learn to knit or participate in the knitting circle. To give the project longevity, Jacqueline also made a YouTube video that can be shared with future residents who need to learn to knit. As a project for the knitting circle, the group made knitted bunnies to donate to a local hospital to help physical therapy patients. During the planning and implementation of this project, Jacqueline faced issues with initial plans not working out but found solutions by utilizing her mentor and creative leadership thinking skills she's learned over her years as a Girl Scout and participating in other scouting programs. Overall, this project will provide an opportunity for seniors to be social while learning new skills and giving back to their community for years to come!

Because of Girl Scouts... I was able to develop my love for outdoors and it has driven me to pursue awards and leadership positions in other scouting programs with a better focus on the outdoors.

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