



Supplemental Resource Guide for Adults

Supporting Girl Scouts' work on the new Civics Badges

By learning how the government works, Girl Scouts are prepared to make the world a better place. Through this Civics Badge series girls gain an in-depth understanding of how local, state, and federal government works, equipping them to be voters, activists, and even political leaders. They also research their own government officials and are encouraged to meet them.

As your Girl Scout(s) begin the new Civics Badge for her/their grade level, you should first access the badge requirements through the badge booklet or the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK).

We created this supplemental guide for troop leaders and caregivers to have easy access to resources we have reviewed and highly recommend. We want to highlight both the continuity and the progression written into the new Civics Badges' series. First, you will see our universal recommended resources. You can use these resources at every Girl Scout grade level. Next, you'll find recommended resources for each specific Girl Scout grade level.

Remember, this supplemental list of recommended resources should not be considered a substitute for the full badge requirements found in the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) or badge booklet.

Universal Badge Resources:

[Guide to Visiting a City Council Meeting](#)

Visit your state capitol building:

- [Kansas State Capitol](#) – Community Partner Page
- [Virtual Tour KS Capitol](#)
- [MO State Capitol Tours](#)
- [Virtual Tour MO Capitol](#)

[Dole Institute of Politics](#) – Community Partner Page

- [Letter writing example](#)

[Find your elected officials](#) – Girl Scout Advocacy Center

MO Bar – Judges, attorneys, and other judicial resources. Email communitypartners@gksmo.org to be connected with these resources.



Additional Resources for Daisies:

[Make the president's house](#) – GSUSA Badge Activity

Read about presidents –

- [Macey Hensely talking about Presidents](#)
- Macey talking about [Martin Van Buren](#)
- Macey talking about [Grant](#)
- Macey talking about [Taylor](#)

Write to your governor

- KS Governor – [Submit letter online](#) or [address to mail letter](#)
- Missouri Governor – [Submit letter online](#)



Additional Resources for Brownies:

[Make the Capitol Building](#) – GSUSA Badge Activity
Learn about your governor

- Kansas Governor's Office - <https://governor.kansas.gov/>
- Missouri Governor's Office - <https://governor.mo.gov/>



Additional Resources for Juniors:

[Create a presidential trivia contest](#) – GSUSA Badge Activity

- Other quiz platforms to consider: quizlet, kahoot, myquiz

[How A Bill Becomes a Law](#) – Schoolhouse Rock video



Additional Resources for Cadettes:

[Who Represents You?](#) - GSUSA Badge Activity

[How Women in Congress Get Things Done](#) – GSUSA recorded webcast

[How A Bill Becomes a Law](#) – Schoolhouse Rock video

Explore a Case: [Brown vs. Board of Education Community Partner](#) **(Please note the museum is temporarily closed due to COVID-19)**



Additional Resources for Seniors:

[Federal spending](#) – GSUSA Badge Activity



Additional Resources for Ambassadors:

[Judge a case](#) – GSUSA Badge Activity
