



Celebrate Gold

Adele Van Lieshout
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Supporting Homeless Pets

Adele Van Lieshout has been a Girl Scout member for 12 years in Troop 312 in Service Unit 674. Adele recently graduated from Blue Valley North. In the fall, she plans to attend the University of Notre Dame and major in civil engineering.

Adele's project raised awareness and provided resources to homeless animals and pet shelters. She created and hung informational posters in 16 different library branches, posted and produced information on the "KC Paws for a Cause" social media accounts, and sewed blankets for shelter pets. Through this project, she brought awareness to the needs of shelter pets, while also providing critical resources.

To help spread awareness, she worked with community members and leaders from Wayside Waifs, KC Pet Project, Diva Pets Cat Rescue, Mid-Continent Public Libraries, Johnson County Libraries, and KC Public Libraries. Together, they spread the message about helping animals in need in Kansas City, with the hopes that it will generate more support and new homes for these pets.

“Because of Girl Scouts, I have grown so much as a leader and as a person. The confidence, community connections, and friends I have gained from my Girl Scout experience will stay with me for the rest of my life.”